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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Background**

Under the regulations in “Subpart L—Fruits and Vegetables” (7 CFR 319.56–1 through 319.56–12, referred to below as the regulations), the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) prohibits or restricts the importation of fruits and vegetables into the United States from certain parts of the world to prevent plant pests from being introduced into or disseminated within the United States.

Section 319.56–4 contains a performance-based process for approving the importation of fruits and vegetables that, based on the findings of a pest risk analysis, can be safely imported subject to one or more of the five designated phytosanitary measures listed in paragraph (b) of that section.

APHIS received a request from the national plant protection organization (NPPO) of Mexico to allow the importation of fresh rhizomes of turmeric (*Curcuma longa* L.) for consumption from Mexico into the United States. As part of our evaluation of Mexico’s request, we have prepared a pest risk assessment to identify the pests of quarantine significance that could follow the pathway of the importation of fresh rhizomes of turmeric (*Curcuma longa* L.) for consumption from Mexico into the United States. Based on the pest risk assessment, a risk management document (RMD) was prepared to identify phytosanitary measures that could be applied to the fresh rhizomes of turmeric to mitigate the pest risk.

Therefore, in accordance with § 319.56–4(c), we are announcing the availability of our pest risk assessment and RMD for public review and comment. Those documents, as well as a description of the economic considerations associated with the importation of fresh rhizomes of turmeric from Mexico, may be viewed on the *Regulations.gov* website or in our

reading room (see **ADDRESSES** above for a link to *Regulations.gov* and information on the location and hours of the reading room). You may request paper copies of the pest risk assessment and RMD by calling or writing to the person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**. Please refer to the subject of the analysis you wish to review when requesting copies.

After reviewing any comments that we receive, we will announce our decision regarding the import status of fresh rhizomes of turmeric from Mexico in a subsequent notice. If the overall conclusions of our analysis and the Administrator’s determination of risk remain unchanged following our consideration of the comments, then we will authorize the importation of fresh rhizomes of turmeric from Mexico into the United States subject to the requirements specified in the RMD.

*Authority:* 7 U.S.C. 1633, 7701–7772, and 7781–7786; 21 U.S.C. 136 and 136a; 7 CFR 2.22, 2.80, and 371.3.

Done in Washington, DC, this 4th day of January 2024.

**Donna Lalli,**

*Acting Administrator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**

**Region 5 and Region 6; California, Oregon, and Washington; Forest Plan Amendment for Planning and Management of Northwest Forests Within the Range of the Northern Spotted Owl; Correction**

**AGENCY:** Forest Service, Agriculture (USDA).

**ACTION:** Notice; correction.

The Office of the Federal Register published a correction in the **Federal Register** of January 2, 2024, which corrected the date in notice document 2023–27742 [88 FR 87393] from January 29, 2024, to February 1, 2024, as the due date for comments to be received. However, the due date needs to match the date sent out in the associated scoping letters to the public and tribes, a date which was set to coordinate with the closing date of the national old growth amendment Notice of Intent.

**Correction**

In the **Federal Register** of December 18, 2023, in FR Doc. 2023–27742, on page 87393, in the second column toward the end under **DATES**, is listed “Comments concerning the scope of the analysis are most valuable to the Forest

Service if received by January 29, 2024.” In the **Federal Register** of January 2, 2024, in FR Doc. C1–2023–27742, on page 43, in the first column, January 29, 2024, is corrected to February 1, 2024.

The **DATES** caption should read instead:

**DATES:** Comments concerning the scope of the analysis are most valuable to the Forest Service if received by February 2, 2024.

Dated: January 4, 2024.

**Jacqueline Emanuel,**

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**DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**

**Forest Service**

**Forest Service Manual 2300—Recreation, Wilderness, and Related Resource Management, Chapter 2350—Trail, River, and Similar Recreation Opportunities, Section 2355—Climbing Opportunities; Extension of Comment Period**

**AGENCY:** Forest Service, Agriculture (USDA).

**ACTION:** Notice of availability for public comment; extension of comment period.

**SUMMARY:** The Forest Service (Forest Service or Agency) published a notice in the **Federal Register** on November 17, 2023, initiating a 60-day comment period on the proposed directive Forest Service Manual 2300—Recreation, Wilderness, and Related Resource Management, chapter 2350—Trail, River, and Similar Recreation Opportunities, section 2355, Climbing Opportunities. The closing date of the original notice is scheduled for January 16, 2024. The Agency is extending the comment period for an additional 14 days from the previous closing date.

**DATES:** The comment period for the notice published November 17, 2023, at 88 FR 80269, is extended. Comments must be received in writing by January 30, 2024.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments may be submitted electronically to <https://cara.fs2c.usda.gov/Public/CommentInput?project=ORMS-3524>. Written comments may be mailed to Peter Mali, National Wilderness Program Manager, 1400 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20250–1124. All timely comments, including names and addresses, will be placed in the record and will be available for public inspection and copying. The public may inspect comments received