Notices

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Forest Resource Coordinating Committee

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Forest Resource Coordinating Committee (Committee) will meet in Washington, DC. The Committee is authorized under section 8005 of the Food, Conservation, and Energy Act of 2008 (the Act) (Pub. L. 110–245) and 8005 of the Food, Conservation, and Energy Act of 2008 (the Act) (Pub. L. 111–267). Additional information concerning the Committee, including the meeting agenda, supporting documents and minutes, can be found by visiting the Committee’s Web site at http://www.fs.fed.us/spf/coop/frcc/.

DATES: The meeting will be held on the following dates:

1. May 25, 2016, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time (EDT); and

2. May 26, 2016, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. EDT.

The meeting is subject to cancellation. For status of the meeting prior to attendance, please contact the person listed under FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the USDA Forest Service, Sidney R. Yates Building, Pinchot Conference Room, 201 14th Street SW., Washington, DC. Members of the public should RSVP to facilitate entry into the Yates Building.

Written comments may be submitted as described under SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION. All comments, including names and addresses when provided, are placed in the record and are available for public inspection and copying. The public may inspect comments placed on the Committee’s Web site listed above.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Andrea Bedell-Loucks, Designated Federal Officer, by phone at 202–205–1190; or Lori McKean, Committee Coordinator, by phone at 570–296–9672.

Individuals who use telecommunication devices for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1–800–877–8339 between 8:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m., Eastern Daylight Time, Monday through Friday.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The purpose of the meeting is to:

1. Learn how to frame recommendations;

2. Hear about Office of Sustainability & Climate Changes’ State & Private Forestry Climate Change Performance Scorecard; and

3. Refine outreach strategies to key partners.

The meeting is open to the public. The agenda will include time for people to make oral statements of three minutes or less. Individuals wishing to make an oral statement should submit a request in writing by May 13, 2016, to be scheduled on the agenda. Anyone who would like to bring related matters to the attention of the Committee may file written statements with the Committee staff before May 1, 2016. Written comments and time requests for oral comments must be sent to Andrea Bedell-Loucks, 1400 Independence Avenue SW., Mailstop 1123, Washington, DC 20250; or by email to abloucks@fs.fed.us. A summary of the meeting will be posted on the Committee’s Web site listed above within 21 days after the meeting.

Meeting Accommodations: If you are a person requiring reasonable accommodation, please make requests in advance for sign language interpreting, assistive listening devices, or other reasonable accommodations. For access to the facility or proceedings, please contact the person listed under the FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT. All reasonable accommodation requests are managed on a case by case basis.

Dated: April 11, 2016.

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Rural Utilities Service

Announcement of Grant Application Deadlines and Funding Levels

AGENCY: Rural Utilities Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of Funds Availability (NOFA).

SUMMARY: The Rural Utilities Service (RUS), an agency of the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), herein referred to as RUS or the Agency, announces its Community Connect Grant Program application window for Fiscal Year (FY) 2016. This notice is being issued in order to allow potential applicants time to submit proposals and give the Agency time to process applications within the current fiscal year.

In addition to announcing the application window, RUS announces the minimum and maximum amounts for Community Connect grants applicable for the fiscal year. The Community Connect Grant Program regulation can be found at 7 CFR part 1739 (Subpart A).

DATES: Submit completed paper or electronic applications for grants according to the following deadlines:

- Paper submissions: Paper submissions must be postmarked and mailed, shipped, or sent overnight no later than June 17, 2016 to be eligible for FY 2016 grant funding. Late or incomplete applications will not be eligible for FY 2016 grant funding.
- Electronic submissions: Electronic submissions must be received no later than June 17, 2016 to be eligible for FY 2016 grant funding. Late or incomplete applications will not be eligible for FY 2016 grant funding.
- If the submission deadline falls on Saturday, Sunday, or a Federal holiday, the application is due the next business day.

ADDRESSES: Copies of the FY 2016 Application Guide and materials for the Community Connect Grant Program may be obtained through:


Completed applications may be submitted the following ways: