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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Newspapers for Publication of Legal Notices in the Eastern Region

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Forest Service administrative review procedures at 36 CFR parts 218 and 219 require agency officials to publish legal notices in newspapers of record for certain opportunities to comment and opportunities to file pre-decisional objections. Forest Service officials in the Eastern Region will publish those legal notices in the newspapers listed in the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section of this notice. The Eastern Region consists of Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, New Hampshire, Maine, Pennsylvania, Vermont, New York, West Virginia, and Wisconsin. As provided in 36 CFR 218 and 36 CFR 219, the public shall be advised through **Federal Register** notice, of the newspaper of record to be utilized for publishing legal notice of comment and objection opportunities required by those Parts and their associated procedures. This notice fulfills that requirement for the Eastern Region.

DATES: Use of these newspapers for purposes of publishing legal notice of opportunities to comment on proposals subject under 36 CFR part 218 and 36 CFR part 219, and notices of the opportunity to object under 36 CFR part 218 and 36 CFR part 219 shall begin the first day after the date of this publication.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Michael Tighe; Writer/Editor; 626 E. Wisconsin Avenue, Milwaukee, WI 53202. Phone: (414) 297-3439.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Responsible Officials in the Eastern Region will publish legal notice regarding proposed land management

plans as required under 36 CFR 219.16 and legal notice regarding an opportunity to comment on proposed projects as required under 36 CFR 218.24 in the newspapers that are listed in this section by Forest Service administrative unit. Additionally, Responsible Officials in the Eastern Region will publish legal notice of the opportunity to object to a proposed project under 36 CFR part 218 or to object to a land management plan developed, amended, or revised under 36 CFR part 219 in the legal notice section of the following newspapers. Additional notice regarding an opportunity to comment or object under the above mentioned regulations may be provided in other newspapers not listed below at the sole discretion of the Responsible Official. Legal notice published in a newspaper of record of an opportunity to object is in addition to direct notice to those who have requested it and to those who have participated in planning for the project or land management plan proposal.

The timeframe for comment on a proposed action shall be based on the date of publication of the legal notice of the proposed action in the newspaper of record. The timeframe for objection shall be based on the date of publication of the legal notice of the opportunity to object in the newspaper of record.

The following newspapers will be used to provide legal notice.

Eastern Region

Regional Forester Decisions

Affecting National Forest System lands in the Eastern Region, in the states of Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, New Hampshire, Maine, Pennsylvania, Vermont, New York, West Virginia, and Wisconsin, *The Milwaukee Journal/Sentinel*, published daily in Milwaukee, Milwaukee County, Wisconsin.

Allegheny National Forest, Pennsylvania

Forest Supervisor Decisions

Warren Times Observer, Warren, Warren County, Pennsylvania

District Ranger Decisions

Bradford District: *Bradford Era*, Bradford, McKean County, Pennsylvania

Marienville District: *The Kane Republican*, Kane, McKean County, Pennsylvania

Chequamegon/Nicolet National Forest, Wisconsin

Forest Supervisor Decisions

The Northwoods River News, published Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays, Rhinelander, Oneida County, Wisconsin

District Ranger Decisions

Eagle River/Florence District: *The Northwoods River News*, published Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays, Rhinelander, Oneida County, Wisconsin

Great Divide District: *The Ashland Daily Press*, published daily in Ashland, Ashland County, Wisconsin

Medford/Park Falls District: *The Star News*, published weekly in Medford, Taylor County, Wisconsin

Washburn District: *The Ashland Daily Press*, published daily in Ashland, Ashland County, Wisconsin

Lakewood/Laona District: *The Northwoods River News*, published Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays in Rhinelander, Oneida County, Wisconsin

Chippewa National Forest, Minnesota

Forest Supervisor Decisions

Bemidji Pioneer, published daily in Bemidji, Beltrami County, Minnesota

District Ranger Decisions

Blackduck District: *The American*, published weekly in Blackduck, Beltrami County, Minnesota

Deer River District: *The Western Itasca Review*, published weekly in Deer River, Itasca County, Minnesota

Walker District: *The Pilot/Independent*, published weekly in Walker, Cass County, Minnesota

Green Mountain National Forest, Vermont

Forest Supervisor Decisions

The Rutland Herald, published daily in Rutland, Rutland County, Vermont

District Ranger Decisions

Manchester, Middlebury and Rochester Districts: *The Rutland Herald*, published daily in Rutland, Rutland County, Vermont

Finger Lakes National Forest, New York*Forest Supervisor Decisions*

The Ithaca Journal, published daily in Ithaca, Tompkins County, New York

District Ranger Decisions

Hector District: *The Ithaca Journal*, published daily in Ithaca, Tompkins County, New York

Hiawatha National Forest, Michigan*Forest Supervisor Decisions*

The Daily Press, published daily in Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan

District Ranger Decisions

Rapid River District: *The Daily Press*, published daily in Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan

Manistique District: *The Daily Press*, published daily in Escanaba, Delta County, Michigan

Munising District: *The Mining Journal*, published daily in Marquette, Marquette County, Michigan

St. Ignace District: *The Sault News*, published daily in Sault Ste. Marie, Chippewa County, Michigan

Sault Ste. Marie District: *The Sault News*, published daily in Sault Ste. Marie, Chippewa County, Michigan

Hoosier National Forest, Indiana*Forest Supervisor Decisions*

The Hoosier Times, published in Bloomington, Monroe County, and Bedford, Lawrence County, Indiana

District Ranger Decisions

Brownstown District: *The Hoosier Times*, published in Bloomington, Monroe County, and Bedford, Lawrence County, Indiana

Tell City District: *The Perry County News*, published in Tell City, Perry County, Indiana

Huron-Manistee National Forest, Michigan*Forest Supervisor Decisions*

Cadillac News, published daily in Cadillac, Wexford County, Michigan

District Ranger Decisions

Baldwin-White Cloud Districts: *Lake County Star*, published weekly in Baldwin, Lake County, Michigan

Cadillac-Manistee Districts: *Manistee News Advocate*, published daily in Manistee, Manistee County, Michigan

Mio District: *Oscoda County Herald*, published weekly in Mio, Oscoda County, Michigan

Huron Shores District: *Oscoda Press*, published weekly in Oscoda, Iosco County, Michigan

Mark Twain National Forest, Missouri*Forest Supervisor Decisions*

The Rolla Daily News, published Monday through Saturday in Rolla, Phelps County, Missouri

District Ranger Decisions

Ava/Cassville/Willow Springs District: *Springfield News-Leader*, published daily in Springfield, Greene County, Missouri

Cedar Creek District: *Fulton Sun*, published daily in Fulton, Callaway County, Missouri

Eleven Point District: *Prospect News*, published weekly (Wednesday) in Doniphan, Ripley County, Missouri

Rolla District: *Houston Herald*, published weekly (Thursdays) in Houston, Texas County, Missouri

Houston District: *Houston Herald*, published weekly (Thursdays) in Houston, Texas County, Missouri

Poplar Bluff District: *Daily American Republic*, published daily in Poplar Bluff, Butler County, Missouri

Potosi District: *The Independent-Journal*, published weekly (Thursday) in Potosi, Washington County, Missouri

Fredericktown District: *The Democrat-News*, published weekly (Wednesday) in Fredericktown, Madison County, Missouri

Salem District: *The Salem News*, published weekly (Tuesday) in Salem, Dent County, Missouri

Midewin Tallgrass Prairie, Illinois*Prairie Supervisor Decisions*

The Herald News, published daily in Joliet, Will County, Illinois

Monongahela National Forest, West Virginia*Forest Supervisor Decisions*

The Inter-Mountain, published daily in Elkins, Randolph County, West Virginia

District Ranger Decisions

Cheat-Potomac District: *The Grant County Press*, published weekly in Petersburg, Grant County, West Virginia

Gauley District: *The Nicholas Chronicle*, published weekly in Summersville, Nicholas County, West Virginia

Greenbrier District: *The Pocahontas Times*, published weekly in Marlinton, Pocahontas County, West Virginia

Marlinton-White Sulphur District: *The Pocahontas Times*, published weekly in Marlinton, Pocahontas County, West Virginia

Ottawa National Forest, Michigan*Forest Supervisor Decisions*

The Ironwood Daily Globe, published in Ironwood, Gogebic County, Michigan; except, for those projects located solely within the Iron River District; *The Reporter*, published in Iron River, Iron County, Michigan

District Ranger Decisions

Bergland, Bessemer, Kenton, Ontonagon and Watersmeet Districts: *The Ironwood Daily Globe*, published in Ironwood, Gogebic County, Michigan

Iron River District: *The Reporter*, published in Iron River, Iron County, Michigan

Shawnee National Forest, Illinois*Forest Supervisor Decisions*

Southern Illinoisan, published daily in Carbondale, Jackson County, Illinois

District Ranger Decisions

Hidden Springs and Mississippi Bluffs Districts: *Southern Illinoisan*, published daily in Carbondale, Jackson County, Illinois

Superior National Forest, Minnesota*Forest Supervisor Decisions*

Duluth News-Tribune, published daily in Duluth, St. Louis County, Minnesota

District Ranger Decisions

Gunflint District: *Cook County News-Herald*, published weekly in Grand Marais, Cook County, Minnesota

Kawishiwi District: *Ely Echo*, published weekly in Ely, St. Louis County, Minnesota

LaCroix District: *Mesabi Daily News*, published daily in Virginia, St. Louis County, Minnesota

Laurentian District: *Mesabi Daily News*, published daily in Virginia, St. Louis County, Minnesota

Tofte District: *Duluth News-Tribune*, published daily in Duluth, St. Louis County, Minnesota

Wayne National Forest, Ohio*Forest Supervisor Decisions*

Athens Messenger, published daily in Athens, Athens County, Ohio

District Ranger Decisions

Athens District-Marietta Unit: *Athens Messenger*, published daily in Athens, Athens County, Ohio

Ironton District: *The Ironton Tribune*, published daily in Ironton, Lawrence County, Ohio

White Mountain National Forest, New Hampshire and Maine*Forest Supervisor Decisions*

The New Hampshire Union Leader, published daily in Manchester, County of Hillsborough, New Hampshire

District Ranger Decisions

Androscoggin District: *The New Hampshire Union Leader*, published daily in Manchester, County of Hillsborough, New Hampshire; except, for those projects located solely within the State of Maine; the *Lewiston Sun-Journal*, published daily in Lewiston, County of Androscoggin, Maine

Pemigewasset District: *The New Hampshire Union Leader*, published daily in Manchester, County of Hillsborough, New Hampshire

Saco District: *The New Hampshire Union Leader*, published daily in Manchester, County of Hillsborough, New Hampshire; except, for those projects located solely within the State of Maine; the *Lewiston Sun-Journal*, published daily in Lewiston, County of Androscoggin, Maine

Dated: April 20, 2016.

Kathleen Atkinson,
Regional Forester.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**Forest Service****San Juan Resource Advisory Committee**

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The San Juan Resource Advisory Committee (RAC) will meet in Durango Colorado. The committee is authorized under the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act (the Act) and operates in compliance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act. The purpose of the committee is to improve collaborative relationships and to provide advice and recommendations to the Forest Service concerning projects and funding consistent with Title II of the Act. RAC information can be found at the following Web site: http://cloudapps-usda.gov/force.com/FSSRS/RAC_Page?id=001t0000002jcvFAAS.

DATES: The meeting will be held at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, May 24, 2016.

All RAC meetings are subject to cancellation. For status of meeting prior

to attendance, please contact the person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the San Juan Public Lands Center, Sonoran Meeting Rooms, 15 Burnett Court, Durango, Colorado.

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 received at San Juan Public Lands Center. Please call ahead to facilitate entry into the building.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ann Bond, RAC Coordinator, by phone at 970-385-1219 or via email at abond@fs.fed.us.

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 Standard Time, Monday through Friday.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The purpose of the meeting is to:

1. Review previously approved projects, and
2. Review current project proposals to be recommended for funding under the Title II provision of the Secure Rural Schools Act.

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 request in writing by May 10, 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 or after the meeting. Written comments and requests for time for oral comments must be sent to Ann Bond, RAC Coordinator, San Juan Public Lands Center, 15 Burnett Court, Durango, Colorado 81301; by email to abond@fs.fed.us, or via facsimile to 970-375-2331.

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 accommodation. For access to the facility or proceedings, please contact the person listed in the section titled **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**. All reasonable accommodation requests are managed on a case by case basis.

Dated: April 21, 2016.

Richard Bustamante,
Acting San Juan National Forest Supervisor.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**Forest Service**

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Ecosystem Restoration Policy

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of final directive.

SUMMARY: The Forest Service is issuing a permanent Ecosystem Restoration policy that replaces the Interim Directive, "Ecological Restoration and Resilience Policy," in Forest Service Manual (FSM) 2020. The policy provides broad guidance for restoring ecosystems on National Forest System lands so that they are self-sustaining and, if subject to disturbances or environmental change, have the ability to reorganize and renew themselves. This policy recognizes the adaptive capacity of restored ecosystems, the role of natural disturbances, and uncertainty related to climate and other environmental factors.

DATES: This directive is in effect May 27, 2016.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jim Alegria, Forest Management Staff, USDA Forest Service, Mailstop 1103, 1400 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20250; phone: 202-205-1787.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**Background and Need for the Directive**

The need for reestablishing and retaining resilience of National Forest System lands and resources to achieve sustainable management and provide a broad range of ecosystem services is widely recognized, and the Forest Service has conducted restoration-related activities for decades. In 2008, the Chief of the Forest Service determined that a national policy was needed to ensure a consistent and cohesive approach to reestablish and retain ecological resilience on National Forest System lands and for National Forest System resources. An interim directive was first issued on September 22, 2008, and was reissued on March 3,