

the National List as prohibited for use in organic crop production (e.g., lead salts) or that are otherwise prohibited by the USDA organic regulations (e.g., sewage sludge). The guidance does not grant new allowances for any synthetic substance to be used in organic production that have not been specifically recommended by the NOSB and added to the National List through rulemaking.

II. Significance of Guidance

These final guidance documents are being issued in accordance with the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Bulletin on Agency Good Guidance Practices (GGPs) (January 25, 2007, 72 FR 3432–3440). The purpose of GGPs is to ensure that program guidance documents are developed with adequate public participation, are readily available to the public, and are not applied as binding requirements. These final guidance documents represent NOP's current positions on these topics. It does not create or confer any rights for, or on, any person and does not operate to bind NOP or the public. Guidance documents are intended to offer uniform methods for operations that comply with the Organic Foods Production Act (OFPA), as amended (7 U.S.C. 6501–6522) and USDA organic regulations, thereby reducing the burden on operators of developing their own methods and to simplify audits and inspections. Alternative approaches that can demonstrate compliance with the OFPA and its implementing regulations are also acceptable. As with any alternative compliance approach, NOP strongly encourages industry to discuss alternative approaches with the NOP before implementing them to avoid unnecessary or wasteful expenditures of resources and to ensure the proposed alternative approach complies with the Act and its implementing regulations.

III. Electronic Access

Persons with access to Internet may obtain a copy of final guidance documents from the NOP's Web site at <http://www.ams.usda.gov/nop>. Request for hard copies of the final guidance documents can be obtained by submitting a written request to the person listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section of this notification of availability.

Authority: 7 U.S.C. 6501–6522.

Dated: November 29, 2016.

Elanor Starmer,

Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Lyon-Mineral Resource Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Lyon-Mineral Resource Advisory Committee (RAC) will meet in Yerington, Nevada. 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://www.fs.usda.gov/main/pts/special/projects/racweb>.

DATES: The meeting will be held January 12, 2017, at 1:00 p.m.

All RAC meetings are 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 Lyon County Administration Complex, Commissioners Meeting Room, 27 South Main Street, Yerington, Nevada.

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 the Bridgeport Ranger Station, HC62, Box 1000, Bridgeport, California. Please call ahead at 760–932–7070 to facilitate entry into the building.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jeremy Marshall, Designated Federal Officer by phone at 760–932–5801, or via email at jmarshall02@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. Discuss new project proposals; and
2. Receive an update on current and completed projects.

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 January 3, 2017, 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 Jeremy Marshall, Designated Federal Officer, Bridgeport Ranger District, HC 62, Box 1000, Bridgeport, California 93517; or by email to jmarshall02@fs.fed.us, or via facsimile to 760–932–5899.

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: November 28, 2016.

Jeremy Marshall,

Bridgeport District Ranger.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Office of Inspector General

Succession, Delegations of Authority, and Signature Authorities, No. IG–1313, Change 8

AGENCY: Office of Inspector General, USDA.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: On November 9, 2016, USDA Inspector General Phyllis K. Fong, pursuant to authority vested in her by the Federal Vacancies Reform Act (5 U.S.C. 3345–3349d) and the Inspector General Act of 1978, as amended (5 U.S.C. app. 3), issued IG–1313, Change 8, Succession, Delegations of Authority, and Signature Authorities. This directive is a revised succession order and reflects delegations of authority for the Office of Inspector General. This directive has been revised to update the lines of succession and delegation, and to clarify procedures to be followed in the event the Office of Inspector General (OIG) headquarters must be relocated. This directive provides guidance on the transfer of functions and duties of the Inspector General (IG), as well as other OIG central management functions,

regardless of what events necessitate such transfer.

DATES: November 29, 2016.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Christy Slamowitz, Counsel to the Inspector General, U.S. Department of Agriculture, 1400 Independence Avenue SW., Room 441-E, Washington, DC 20250-2308, Telephone: (202) 720-9110.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The OIG proposes revising the succession and delegations of authority for OIG by publishing a detailed sequence of succession within the Washington, DC, headquarters, followed by a detailed sequence of succession by region and position. This action is taken pursuant to authority vested in the Inspector General by the Federal Vacancies Reform Act (5 U.S.C. 3345-3349d) and the Inspector General Act of 1978 (5 U.S.C. app. 3).

For the reasons stated in the preamble, IG-1313, Change 8, Succession, Delegations of Authority, and Signature Authorities, has been revised to give notice of a delegation of authority and the line of succession from the Inspector General as follows:

I. Pursuant to authority vested in me by the Federal Vacancies Reform Act (5 U.S.C. 3345-3349d) and the Inspector General Act of 1978, as amended (5 U.S.C. app. 3), during any period in which the Inspector General (IG), United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), resigns, dies, or is otherwise unable to perform the functions and duties of the office, and unless the President shall designate another officer to perform the functions and duties of the position, the Deputy IG, as the designated first assistant to the IG, shall temporarily perform the IG's functions and duties in an acting capacity, pursuant to and subject to the Federal Vacancies Reform Act (5 U.S.C. 3345-3349d). In the absence of the IG and Deputy IG, the officials designated below, in the order listed, shall become the acting Deputy IG and so shall temporarily perform the functions and duties of the IG. This order may be changed by a delegation in writing from the IG, or by the Deputy IG while acting in the absence of the IG:

1. Assistant IG for Audit (AIG/A);
2. Assistant IG for Investigations (AIG/I);
3. Assistant IG for Management (AIG/M);
4. Assistant IG for Data Sciences (AIG/DS);
5. Counsel to the IG;
6. Deputy Assistant IG for Audit (DAIG/A), by seniority;

7. Deputy Assistant IG for Investigations (DAIG/I);

The following officials for the listed locations in the following order:

8. Audit Directors, by seniority, then Investigations Director, Technical Crimes Division—Kansas City, Missouri;
9. Special Agent-in-Charge (SAC)—Temple, Texas;
10. Audit Director—Beltsville, Maryland;
11. SAC—New York, New York;
12. Audit Director, then SAC—Oakland, California;
13. Audit Director, then SAC—Atlanta, Georgia;
14. Audit Director, then SAC—Chicago, Illinois;
15. Director, Office of Compliance and Integrity; or
16. Director, Office of Diversity and Conflict Resolution.

II. For purposes of this order of succession, a designated official is a person holding a permanent appointment to the position. Persons filling positions in an acting capacity do not substitute for officials holding a permanent appointment to a position. If a position is vacant or an official occupying the position on a permanent basis is absent or unavailable, authority passes to the next available official occupying a position in the order of succession.

III. This delegation is not in derogation of any authority residing in the above officials relating to the operation of their respective programs, nor does it affect the validity of any delegations currently in force and effect and not specifically cited as revoked or revised herein.

IV. The authorities delegated herein may not be redelegated.

Authority: 5 U.S.C. 3345-3349d; 5 U.S.C. app. 3.

Dated: November 29, 2016.

Phyllis K. Fong,
Inspector General.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Bureau of the Census

[Docket Number 161107999-6999-01]

Voting Rights Act Amendments of 2006, Determinations Under Section 203

AGENCY: Bureau of the Census, Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of determination.

SUMMARY: As required by Section 203 of the Voting Rights Act of 1965, as

amended, this notice publishes the Bureau of the Census (Census Bureau) Director's determinations as to which political subdivisions are subject to the minority language assistance provisions of the Act. As of this date, those jurisdictions that are listed as covered by Section 203 have a legal obligation to provide the minority language assistance prescribed by the Act.

EFFECTIVE DATE: This notice is effective on December 5, 2016.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For information regarding this notice, please contact Mr. James Whitehorse, Chief, Census Redistricting and Voting Rights Data Office, Bureau of the Census, United States Department of Commerce, Room 4H057, 4600 Silver Hill Rd, Washington, DC 20233, by telephone at 301-763-4039, or visit the Redistricting & Voting Rights Data Office Internet site at <http://www.census.gov/rdo/>.

For information regarding the applicable provisions of the Act, please contact T. Christian Herren, Jr., Chief, Voting Section, Civil Rights Division, United States Department of Justice, Room 7254-NWB, 950 Pennsylvania Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20530, by telephone at (800) 253-3931 or visit the Voting Section Internet site at <https://www.justice.gov/crt/voting-section>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In July 2006, Congress amended the Voting Rights Act of 1965, now codified at Title 52, United States Code (U.S.C.), § 10301 *et seq.* (See Pub. L. 109-246, 120 Stat. 577 (2006)). Among other changes, the sunset date for minority language assistance provisions set forth in Section 203 of the Act was extended to August 5, 2032.

Section 203 mandates that a state or political subdivision must provide language assistance to voters if more than five (5) percent of voting age citizens are members of a single-language minority group and do not "speak or understand English adequately enough to participate in the electoral process" and if the rate of those citizens who have not completed the fifth grade is higher than the national rate of voting age citizens who have not completed the fifth grade. When a state is covered for a particular language minority group, an exception is made for any political subdivision in which less than five (5) percent of the voting age citizens are members of the minority group and are limited in English proficiency, unless the political subdivision is covered independently. A political subdivision is also covered if more than 10,000 of the voting age citizens are members of a single-language minority group, do not "speak