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ADMINISTRATIVE CONFERENCE OF THE UNITED STATES

Notice of Committee Meeting and Virtual Meeting of the Assembly of the Administrative Conference of the United States

AGENCY: Administrative Conference of the United States.

ACTION: Notice of meetings.

SUMMARY: The Administrative Conference of the United States will hold two meetings to consider a proposed statement on the subject of Issue Exhaustion in Preenforcement Judicial Review of Administrative Rulemaking. The first of these meetings will be an in-person committee meeting. The second meeting—the meeting of the Assembly—will be the 63rd plenary session of the Administrative Conference and is subject to the requirements of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. App.). The Assembly will meet via a virtual, online Web forum extending over a period of approximately one week. Both meetings will be open to the public.

DATES: The committee meeting will take place on Wednesday, September 9, 2015, 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. The meeting may adjourn early if all business is finished prior to the scheduled end time. The Assembly meeting will be a virtual public meeting that will occur in an online format over the course of approximately one week, starting at 9:00 a.m. on Friday, September 18, 2015, and continuing through 6:00 p.m. on Friday, September 25, 2015.

ADDRESSES: The in-person committee meeting will be held at the Administrative Conference of the United States, Suite 706 South, 1120 20th Street NW., Washington, DC 20036. Any change in the location of the in-person meeting will be posted on the Administrative Conference's Web site (www.acus.gov). The virtual Assembly

meeting will have no physical location. A link to this meeting will be posted on the Administrative Conference's Web site in advance of the meeting.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Shawne McGibbon, General Counsel (Designated Federal Officer), Administrative Conference of the United States, Suite 706 South, 1120 20th Street NW., Washington, DC 20036; Telephone 202-480-2088; email smcgibbon@acus.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Administrative Conference of the United States makes recommendations to federal agencies, the President, Congress, and the Judicial Conference of the United States regarding the improvement of administrative procedures (5 U.S.C. 594). The voting membership of the Conference, when meeting in plenary session, constitutes the Assembly of the Conference (5 U.S.C. 595).

On Wednesday, September 9, 2015, there will be an in-person meeting, open to the public, of an ad hoc Committee on Issue Exhaustion. The purpose of this meeting will be to conduct preparatory work in anticipation of full consideration of a proposed statement by the Assembly at its 63rd Plenary Session, which will be conducted as a public, virtual (online) meeting over a period of approximately one week, beginning September 18, 2015.

Committee Meeting

Agenda: Consideration will be given to a proposed statement on the topic described below. *Issue Exhaustion in Preenforcement Judicial Review of Administrative Rulemaking*. This statement examines judicial application of an issue exhaustion requirement in preenforcement review of administrative rulemaking. It sets forth a series of factors that courts may consider when examining the doctrine of issue exhaustion in the context of preenforcement review of agency rules.

Additional information about the proposed statement and the order of the agenda, as well as other materials related to the meeting, can be found on the Conference's Web site at: <https://www.acus.gov/meetings-and-events/plenary-meeting/63rd-plenary-session>.

Public Participation: The Conference welcomes the attendance of the public at the in-person committee meeting, subject to space limitations, and will

make every effort to accommodate persons with disabilities or special needs. If you wish to attend in person, you must register by sending an email message to info@acus.gov no later than two days before the meeting, in order to facilitate entry and to confirm space availability. If you need special accommodations due to disability, please inform the Designated Federal Officer noted above at least seven days in advance of the meeting. Members of the public who attend the meeting may be permitted to speak only with the consent of the Chairman and the unanimous consent of the committee. Committee members and members of the public may also view the meeting via live webcast, which will be available at: <https://livestream.com/ACUS>.

How to Submit Comments: Persons who wish to comment on the proposed statement may do so by submitting written comments either online by clicking "Submit a Comment" on the Web page listed above, or by U.S. Mail addressed to: Committee Meeting (Issue Exhaustion) Comments, Administrative Conference of the United States, Suite 706 South, 1120 20th Street NW., Washington, DC 20036. Comments for the committee meeting must be relevant to the recommendations being debated, and received no later than Friday, September 4, to ensure consideration.

Virtual Assembly Meeting (63rd Plenary Session)

Agenda: The Assembly will consider the proposed statement on the issue exhaustion doctrine described above.

Conduct of the Virtual Meeting and How to Submit Comments: Consistent with the innovative techniques outlined in Administrative Conference Recommendation 2011-7, *The Federal Advisory Committee Act—Issues and Proposed Reforms*, the Administrative Conference will conduct a virtual and asynchronous Federal Advisory Committee Act meeting of the Assembly. A link to the Web forum on which the virtual meeting will occur will be provided on the Administrative Conference's Web site (www.acus.gov) and on the 63rd Plenary Session Web page in advance of the meeting: (<https://www.acus.gov/meetings-and-events/plenary-meeting/63rd-plenary-session>). Voting and non-voting members of the Conference, and members of the general public who wish

to comment on the proposed statement, may submit online written comments by clicking "Submit a Comment" on the 63rd Plenary Session Web page on the Conference's Web site. Only members of the Assembly (*i.e.*, voting members of the Conference) may vote. For quorum purposes, a majority of members of the Assembly must register their participation in the Assembly meeting, either by voting to approve or reject the proposed statement; or, at a minimum, indicating that they are present. Voting members will receive information directly on how to register their vote or their presence.

The period for commenting and voting will commence at 9:00 a.m. on Friday, September 18, 2015, and will end at 6:00 p.m. on Friday, September 25, 2015. Relevant comments and a tally of votes will be publicly available through daily postings on the 63rd Plenary Session Web page.

Additional information about the proposed statement, voting eligibility, financial disclosure for non-government members, and other materials related to the meeting, can be found at the 63rd Plenary Session Web page noted above.

Dated: August 17, 2015.

Shawne McGibbon,
General Counsel.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

August 17, 2015.

The Department of Agriculture has submitted the following information collection requirement(s) to OMB for review and clearance under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13. Comments regarding (a) whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of burden including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments regarding this information collection received by September 21, 2015 will be considered. Written comments should be addressed to: Desk Officer for Agriculture, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget (OMB), New Executive Office Building, 725 17th Street NW., Washington, DC 20502. Commenters are encouraged to submit their comments to OMB via email to: OIRA_Submission@OMB.EOP.GOV or fax (202) 395-5806 and to Departmental Clearance Office, USDA, OCIO, Mail Stop 7602, Washington, DC 20250-7602. Copies of the submission(s) may be obtained by calling (202) 720-8958.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless the collection of information displays a currently valid OMB control number and the agency informs potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information that such persons are not required to respond to the collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

National Institute of Food and Agriculture

Title: NIFA Proposal Review Process.
OMB Control Number: 0524-0041.

Summary of Collection: The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA), administers competitive, peer-reviewed research, education and extension programs. The reviews are undertaken to ensure that projects supported by NIFA are of a high-quality and are consistent with the goals and requirements of the funding program. These programs are authorized pursuant to the authorities contained in the National Agricultural Research, Extension, and Teaching Policy Act of 1977, as amended (7 U.S.C. 3101), the Smith-Lever Act, and other legislative authorities.

Need and Use of the Information: The collected information from the evaluations is used to support NIFA grant programs. NIFA uses the results of each proposal to determine whether a proposal should be declined or recommended for award. In order to obtain this information, an electronic questionnaire is used to collect information about potential panel and ad-hoc reviewers. If this information is not collected, it would be difficult for a review panel and NIFA staff to determine which projects warrant funding, or identify appropriate qualified reviewers. In addition, Federal grants staff and auditors could not assess the quality or integrity of the

review, and the writer of the application would not benefit from any feedback on why the application was funded or not.

Description of Respondents: Not-for-profit institutions; Business or other for-profit; Individuals or households; Federal Government; State, Local or Tribal Government.

Number of Respondents: 50,000.

Frequency of Responses: Reporting: On occasion; Annually.

Total Burden Hours: 100,497.

Ruth Brown,

Departmental Information Collection
Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Mineral County Resource Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Mineral County Resource Advisory Committee (RAC) will meet in Superior, Montana. 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.

DATES: The meeting will be held September 16, 2015, at 6:00 p.m.

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 Superior Ranger District, 209 W. Riverside Avenue, Superior, Montana.

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 Superior Ranger District. Please call ahead to facilitate entry into the building.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Carole Johnson, Acting District Ranger, by phone at 406-822-4233 or via email at cjohnson01@fs.fed.us; or Racheal Koke, RAC Coordinator, by phone at