DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
Office of the Secretary
Wildland Fire Executive Council Meeting Schedule

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, Interior.
ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the requirements of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App., 2, the U.S. Department of the Interior, Office of the Secretary, Wildland Fire Executive Council (WFEC) will meet as indicated below.

DATES: The next meeting will be held on November 2, 2012.

ADDRESSES: The meetings will be held from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Eastern Time in the McArdle Room (First Floor Conference Room) in the Yates Federal Building, USDA Forest Service Headquarters, 1400 Independence Ave. SW., Washington, DC 20250.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Shari Eckhoff, Designated Federal Officer, 300 E. Mallard Drive, Suite 170, Boise, Idaho 83706; telephone (208) 334–1552; fax (208) 334–1549; or email Shari.Eckhoff@ios.doi.gov.


The purpose of the WFEC is to provide advice on coordinated national-level wildland fire policy and to provide leadership, direction, and program oversight in support of the Wildland Fire Leadership Council. Questions related to the WFEC should be directed to Shari Eckhoff (Designated Federal Officer) at Shari.Eckhoff@ios.doi.gov or (208) 334–1552 or 300 E. Mallard Drive, Suite 170, Boise Idaho, 83706–6648.

Meeting Agenda: The meeting agenda will include: (1) Welcome and introduction of council members; (2) Overview of prior meeting and action tracking; (3) Members’ round robin to share information and identify key issues to be addressed; (4) Wildland Fire Management Cohesive Strategy; (5) Wildland Fire Issues; (6) Council Members’ review and discussion of sub-committee activities; (7) Future Council activities; (8) Public comments which will be scheduled for 11:30 on each agenda; (9) and closing remarks. Participation is open to the public.

Public Input: All WFEC meetings are open to the public. Members of the public who wish to participate must notify Shari Eckhoff at Shari.Eckhoff@ios.doi.gov no later than the Friday preceding the meeting. Those who are not committee members and wish to present oral statements or obtain information should contact Shari Eckhoff via email no later than the Friday preceding the meeting. Depending on the number of persons wishing to comment and time available, the time for individual oral comments may be limited.

Questions about the agenda or written comments may be emailed or submitted by U.S. Mail to: Department of the Interior, Office of the Secretary, Office of Wildland Fire, Attention: Shari Eckhoff, 300 E. Mallard Drive, Suite 170, Boise, Idaho 83706–6648. WFEC requests that written comments be received by the Friday preceding the scheduled meeting. Attendance is open to the public, but limited space is available. Persons with a disability requiring special services, such as an interpreter for the hearing impaired, should contact Ms. Eckhoff at (208) 527–0133 at least seven calendar days prior to the meeting.

Dated: October 5, 2012.

Shari Eckhoff,
Designated Federal Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
Fish and Wildlife Service

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Huron Wetland Management District, Madison Wetland Management District, and Sand Lake Wetland Management District, SD; Final Comprehensive Conservation Plan and Finding of No Significant Impact for Environmental Assessment

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Availability.

SUMMARY: We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service), announce the availability of our final comprehensive conservation plan (CCP) and finding of no significant impact (FONSI) for the environmental assessment (EA) involving Huron, Madison, and Sand Lake Wetland Management Districts (Districts). In this final CCP, we describe how we will manage these three Districts for the next 15 years.

ADDRESSES: You may view or obtain copies of the final CCP and FONSI/EA by any of the following methods. You may request a hard copy or CD-ROM. Agency Web Site: Download a copy of the document at http://mountain-prairie.fws.gov/planning. Email: bernardo_garza@fws.gov.

Include “Huron Wetland Management District, Madison Wetland Management District, Sand Lake Wetland Management District final CCP” in the subject line of the message.

Mail: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Division of Refuge Planning, P.O. Box 25486, Denver Federal Center, Denver, Colorado 80225.

In person Viewing or Pickup: call 303–236–4377 to make an appointment during regular business hours at 134 Union Boulevard, Suite 300, Lakewood, Colorado 80228.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Bernardo Garza, 303–236–4377, [phone], bernardo_garza@fws.gov [email].

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Introduction

With this notice, we finalize the CCP process for Huron Wetland Management District, Madison Wetland Management District, Sand Lake Wetland Management District. We started this process through a notice in the Federal Register (73 FR 53439, September 16, 2008). We released the draft CCP and the EA to the public, announcing and requesting comments in a notice of availability in the Federal Register (76 FR 65525, October 21, 2011).

Huron Wetland Management District was established in 1992 encompassing lands that were previously under the management of both the Lake Andes and Sand Lake Wetland Management Districts. Madison Wetland Management District was established in 1969. Sand Lake Wetland Management District was established in 1961. These Districts lie in eastern South Dakota, within the highly productive Prairie Pothole region. These Districts are three of six existing Districts in South Dakota, and together manage more than 1.5 million acres of land within the 27-county planning area. A mosaic of primarily tallgrass and mixed-grass prairies dotted with many small lakes