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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Office of Advocacy and Outreach

Advisory Committee on Beginning Farmers and Ranchers; Request for Nominations

AGENCY: Office of Advocacy and Outreach, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of Request for Nominations.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA, 5 U.S.C. App.), notice is hereby given that the Secretary of Agriculture is soliciting nominations for membership for the Advisory Committee on Beginning Farmers and Ranchers (the ''Committee'').

DATES: Consideration will be given to nominations received on or before July 17, 2015.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mrs. Kenya Nicholas, Designated Federal Official, USDA Office of Advocacy and Outreach, 1400 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20250–0170; (202) 720–6350; email: *acbfr@osec.usda.gov.*

ADDRESSES: Nomination packages may be sent by postal mail or commercial delivery to: The Honorable Thomas Vilsack, Secretary, U.S. Department of Agriculture, 1400 Independence Avenue SW., Mail Stop 0601, Washington, DC 20250, Attn: Advisory Committee on Beginning Farmers and Ranchers. Nomination packages may also be faxed to (202) 720–7704.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Committee advises the Secretary of Agriculture on matters broadly affecting new farmers and ranchers including strategies, policies, and programs that will enhance opportunities and create new farming and ranching operations. The Committee will consider Department goals and objectives necessary to implement prior recommendations. The Committee will develop and recommend an overall framework and strategies to encompass principles that leverage and maximize existing programs, and create and test new program opportunities.

In this notice, we are soliciting nominations from interested organizations and individuals from among ranching and farming producers (industry), related government, State, and Tribal agricultural agencies, academic institutions, commercial banking entities, trade associations, and related nonprofit enterprises. An organization may nominate individuals from within or outside its membership; alternatively, an individual may nominate herself or himself. Nomination packages should include a nomination form along with a cover letter or resume that documents the nominee's background and experience. Nomination forms are available on the Internet at *http://www.ocio.usda.gov/forms/doc/AD-755.pdf* or may be obtained from the person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

The Secretary will select up to 20 members from among those organizations and individuals solicited, in order to obtain the broadest possible representation on the Committee, pursuant to Section 5 of the Agricultural Credit Improvement Act of 1992 (Pub.L.No. 102–554), in accordance with the FACA and U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Regulation 1041–1. Equal opportunity practices, in line with the USDA policies, will be followed in all appointments to the Committee. To ensure that the recommendations of the Committee have taken into account the needs of the diverse groups served by the Department, membership should include, to the extent practicable, individuals with demonstrated ability to represent minorities, women, and persons with disabilities.

Done in Washington, DC, this 11th day of June 2015.

Christian Obineme,

Associate Director, Office of Advocacy and Outreach.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Office of Advocacy and Outreach

Beginning Farmers and Ranchers Advisory Committee—Subcommittee on Land Tenure

AGENCY: Office of Advocacy and Outreach, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), the Office of Advocacy and Outreach (OAO) is announcing a meeting of the Beginning Farmers and Ranchers Advisory Committee's (BFRAC) Subcommittee on Land Tenure (Subcommittee). The Subcommittee is being convened to consider issues involving access to land, farm business transition and land tenure. The members will perform preliminary work on recommendations that will be submitted to the parent committee. The BFRAC will prepare recommendations for USDA Secretary Vilsack's consideration in making policy decisions affecting land tenure during its next public meeting.

DATES: The subcommittee meeting is scheduled for Monday through Wednesday, June 22–24, 2015, from 8:00 a.m.–4:30 p.m. CST. Tuesday, June 23, from 10:30–3:30 p.m. CST has been set aside for public comments. All persons wishing to make comments during this meeting must check in between 10:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. CST on June 23, at the registration table. All public commenters will be allowed a maximum of three minutes. If the number of registrants requesting to speak is greater than what can be reasonably accommodated during the scheduled open public meeting timeframe, speakers will be scheduled on a first-come basis.

Public written comments for the Subcommittee's consideration may be submitted by close of business on June 19, 2015, to Mrs. Kenya Nicholas, Designated Federal Official, USDA OAO, 1400 Independence Avenue SW., Room 520–A, Washington, DC 20250–0170, Phone (202) 720–6350, Fax (202) 720–7704, Email: *acbfr@osec.usda.gov.* A conference call line will be available and open for public comments on June from 10:30 a.m. through 3:30 p.m. CST on Tuesday, June 23, for all who wish to listen in on the proceeding through

the following telephone number: (888) 566–6179 and enter passcode 3184649.

Members of the public may submit written statements to the Land Tenure Subcommittee at any time. Written submissions are encouraged to either be less than one page in length, or be accompanied by an executive summary and a summary of policy initiatives to include, but not limited to, the following topics:

1. How are farmers currently making farm business transitions and land or asset transfers between generations and non-family owners?
2. How do changes in agricultural land tenure, such as increased reliance on leasing, impact the ability of USDA to serve the needs of America's farm families?
3. How do changes in land tenure affect the access and availability of farmland for new and beginning farmers?
4. How do we help farms plan for transitions in advance and best support those who inherit farmland?

ADDRESSES: This public advisory committee meeting will be held at Drake University, Old Main, Levitt Hall, 25th and University Ave., Des Moines, Iowa 50311. On-street parking and on-site parking is available. There is also a drop-off area directly in front of the entrance to the property. There will be signs directing attendees to the meeting room.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Questions should be directed to Phyllis Morgan, Executive Assistant, OAO, 1400 Independence Ave. SW., Whitten Bldg., 520–A, Washington, DC 20250, Phone: (202) 720–6350, Fax: (202) 720–7136, email: *Phyllis.Morgan@osec.usda.gov.*

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The BFRAC members met in Austin, Texas, on September 23–24, 2014, to deliberate upon the final set of recommendations for the Secretary on issues involving communications, service, and advocacy in identifying barriers for beginning farmers and ranchers. They also considered issues around lending and credit in parsing statistics generated by USDA. Since that meeting, the Secretary tasked the BFRAC with providing recommendations on access to land, farm business transition, and land tenure. Please visit our Web site at: *http://www.outreach.usda.gov/smallbeginning/index.htm* for additional information on the BFRAC.

The public is asked to pre-register for the meeting by June 19, 2015. You may pre-register for the public meeting by submitting an email to *acbfr@osec.usda.gov* with your name, organization or affiliation, comments, or any questions for the subcommittee's consideration. You may also fax this information to (202) 720–7704. Members of the public who wish to make comments during the subcommittee meeting must arrive between 9:30 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, June 23, and register (confirm) at the check-in table.

The agenda is as follows: Day 1: Closed Session. Day 2: Subcommittee discussions, public comments, and subcommittee deliberations. Day 3: Closed Session. Please visit the Beginning Farmers and Ranchers Web site for the full agenda. All agenda topics and documents will be made available to the public at: *http://www.outreach.usda.gov/smallbeginning/index.htm.* Copies of the agenda will also be distributed at the meeting.

Meeting Accommodations: USDA is committed to ensuring that everyone is accommodated in our work environment, programs, and events. If you are a person with a disability and request reasonable accommodations to participate in this meeting, please note the request in your registration and you may contact Mrs. Kenya Nicholas in advance of the meeting by or before close of business on June 19, 2015, by phone at (202) 720–6350, fax (202) 720–7704, or email: *kenya.nicholas@osec.usda.gov.*

Issued in Washington, DC, this 15th day of June 2015.

Christian Obineme,

Associate Director, Office of Advocacy and Outreach.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

June 15, 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 and other forms of information technology.

Comments regarding this information collection received by July 20, 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 20503. Commentors 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) 720–8681.

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.

Forest Service

Title: Pesticide-Use Proposal (PUP) Form.

OMB Control Number: 0596–NEW.

Summary of Collection: The Forest Service (FS) is authorized under the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act, as amended (7 U.S.C. 136, and 40 CFR part 171; the Cooperative Forestry Assistance Act of 1978 (16 U.S.C. 2101) as amended by the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990 (7 U.S.C. 1421), and 36 CFR part 219; and the National Environmental Policy Act 42 CFR part 4321), and 36 CFR part 220 to collect information on proposed use of pesticides on lands administered by FS to safe guard natural resources and human health.

Need and Use of the Information: FS will use form FS–2100–2 to collect pesticide project information from entities for application of pesticides upon FS administered lands within rights-of-way easements, permitted lands, and under similar circumstances. Categories of information requested are descriptive of type, amount, and location of applications, as well as identification of qualifying credentials of those performing the work. Proposals will be evaluated by FS pesticide use