

adjourn at approximately 5 p.m. In general, the purpose of the meeting is for the committee to continue with discussions related to Northwest Forest Plan (NWFP) implementation. Particular meeting agenda items include, but are not limited to, a panel discussion on NWFP-related socio-economic issues, progress reports on several initiatives underway to improve the performance of the NWFP in satisfying the full range of its objectives, and a proposal for the interagency and intergovernmental organizational structure under the next Memorandum of Understanding. The meeting is open to the public and will be fully accessible for people with disabilities. Interpreters are available upon request at least 10 days prior to the meeting. Written comments may be submitted for the meeting record. The agenda also features a 15-minute time slot reserved for any public comments to be offered at the meeting. Interested persons are encouraged to attend.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Questions regarding this meeting may be directed to Kath Collier, Management Analyst, Regional Ecosystem Office, 333 SW., First Avenue, P.O. Box 3623, Portland, OR 97208 (Phone: 503-808-2165).

Dated: March 11, 2003.

Stephen J. Odell,

Designated Federal Official.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Flathead County Resource Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Flathead County Resource Advisory Committee will meet in Kalispell, Montana April 7th and April 14th. The purpose of the meetings is to discuss potential Title II projects for fiscal year 2004 funded by the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self Determination Act.

DATES: The meetings will be held April 7th from 4 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. and April 14th from 4 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Flathead National Forest Supervisors Office, Conference Rooms A & B, 1935 Third Ave East, Kalispell, Montana, 59901.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kaaren Arnoux, Flathead National

Forest, Administrative Assistant, (406) 758-5251.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The meeting is open to the public. Time will be available for public input on potential projects the committee may be discussing.

Allen Rowley,

Public Affairs Specialist.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Rural Utilities Service

Tri-State Generation and Transmission Association, Inc.; Notice of Availability of a Record of Decision

AGENCY: Rural Utilities Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of availability of a record of decision.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the Rural Utilities Service (RUS) has issued its Record of Decision (ROD) for the Nucla-Telluride 115 kV Transmission Line Project. The decision of RUS is that the National Environmental Policy Act review process has been satisfied with respect to a potential request for financing assistance from Tri-State Generation and Transmission Association, Inc. (Tri-State), of Westminster, Colorado.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dennis E. Rankin, Environmental Protection Specialist, RUS, Engineering and Environmental Staff, Stop 1571, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20250-1571 or e-mail: drankin@rus.usda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Tri-State has proposed a 115 kV transmission line in order to improve the reliability of power to Telluride and other surrounding communities, as well as increase the capacity of the regional transmission grid to transfer bulk power through southwestern Colorado. The 115 kV transmission line would replace and potentially relocate an existing 69 kV line that is owned and operated by San Miguel Power Association. The U. S. Forest Service (FS) served as the lead Federal agency in the environmental review process. RUS and the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) are cooperating agencies in the process.

The RUS preferred alternative is the construction of an overhead 115 kV transmission line using the Nucla—Norwood Central Alternative and the Norwood—Sunshine Alternative corridors. Subalternative corridors C and D may also be used in the final line

route. Associated facilities include the expansion of the Norwood Substation at its current location; the modification of the Nucla, Species Mesa, Wilson Mesa and Sunshine Substations; and the dismantling of the Oakhill Substation. Modifications to sections of San Miguel Power Association's distribution system would also be required. The FS and BLM have previously issued their Records-of-Decision regarding the project.

Federal, State, and local agencies and the public who had previously requested copies of the Record-of-Decision will receive a copy of the ROD by direct mail. RUS' ROD is also available online at <http://www.usda.gov/rus/water/ees/eis.htm>.

Dated: March 12, 2003.

Alfred Rodgers,

Acting Assistant Administrator, Electric Program, Rural Utilities Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

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Notice of Preliminary Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value and Postponement of Final Determination: Barium Carbonate From the People's Republic of China

AGENCY: Import Administration, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Preliminary determination of sales at less than fair value and postponement of final determination.

EFFECTIVE DATE: March 17, 2003.

SUMMARY: We preliminarily determine that barium carbonate from the People's Republic of China (the PRC) is being sold, or is likely to be sold, in the United States at less than fair value (LTFV), as provided in section 733 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act). The estimated margins of sales at LTFV are shown below in the "Suspension of Liquidation" section of this notice.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: David Layton or Tisha Loeper-Viti at (202) 482-0371 or (202) 482-7425, respectively; AD/CVD Enforcement, Office 5, Group II, Import Administration, Room 1870, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230.