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AFRICAN DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION

Board of Directors Meeting

MEETING: African Development Foundation, Board of Directors Meeting.

TIME: Tuesday, November 13, 2007, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

PLACE: African Development Foundation, Conference Room, 1400 I Street, NW., Suite 1000, Washington, DC 20005.

DATES: Tuesday, November 13, 2007.

STATUS: Closed session, November 13, 2007, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

As this meeting will be a closed, executive session, the meeting will not be open to the public. Should you have any questions, please contact Doris Martin, General Counsel, at (202) 673-3916 or mrivard@usadf.gov.

Lloyd O. Pierson,

President.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

November 6, 2007.

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 should be addressed to: Desk Officer for Agriculture, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget (OMB), OIRA_Submission@OMB.EOP.GOV or fax (202) 395-5806 and to Departmental Clearance Office, USDA, OCIO, Mail Stop 7602, Washington, DC 20250-7602. Comments regarding these information collections are best assured of having their full effect if received within 30 days of this notification. 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.

Farm Service Agency

Title: Emergency Conservation Program

OMB Control Number: 0560-0082

Summary of Collection: The Farm Service Agency (FSA), in cooperation with the Natural Resources Conservation Service, the Forest Service, and other agencies and organizations, provides eligible producers and landowners cost-share incentives and technical assistance through several conservation and environmental programs to help farmers, ranchers, and other eligible landowners and operators conserve soil, improve water quality, develop forests, and rehabilitate farmland severely damaged by natural disasters. The authorities to collect information for this collection are found under the Food Security Act of 1985, as amended, and the Agricultural Credit Act of 1978 (16 U.S.C. 2201-2205).

Need and Use of the Information: FSA will collect information using forms AD-245, Practice Approval and Payment Application, FSA-18, Applicant's Agreement to Complete an Uncompleted Practice, FSA-849,

Emergency Conservation Program Hurricane Gulf of Mexico, Poultry and CCC-526, Payment Eligibility Average Adjustment Gross Income Certification. The collected information will be used to determine if the person, land, and practices are eligible for participation in the respective program and to receive cost-share assistance.

Description of Respondents: Farms.

Number of Respondents: 90,000.

Frequency of Responses: Reporting: Annually.

Total Burden Hours: 67,610.

Ruth Brown,

Departmental Information Collection Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Foreign Agricultural Service

Reestablishment of the Edward R. Madigan United States Agricultural Export Excellence Award Board of Evaluators

AGENCY: Foreign Agricultural Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice to reestablish board of evaluators.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the Secretary of Agriculture has reestablished the Edward R. Madigan United States Agricultural Export Excellence Award Board of Evaluators. The Secretary of Agriculture has determined that the Board is necessary and in the public interest.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Office of Trade Programs, Foreign Agricultural Service, USDA, Room 450 Portals, 1250 Maryland Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20024, telephone: (202) 690-0752, fax: (202) 690-3270, e-mail: Dale.Miller@fas.usda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The purpose of the Edward R. Madigan United States Agricultural Export Excellence Award Board of Evaluators is to advise the Secretary of Agriculture on the selection of recipients for the Edward R. Madigan United States Agricultural Export Excellence Award.

Dated: November 1, 2007.

Michael W. Yost,

Administrator, Foreign Agricultural Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Roosevelt/Duchesne and Flaming Gorge Ranger Districts Travel Management Plan, Ashley National Forest; Duchesne, Daggett, and Summit Counties, UT, and Sweetwater County, WY

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement.

SUMMARY: The Forest Service will prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to disclose the effects of designating National Forest System (NFS) roads and trails available for public motorized use on the Roosevelt/Duchesne and Flaming Gorge Ranger Districts within the Ashley National Forest. The decision will be to determine whether to include routes that are not currently NFS roads or trails open for public motorized use, establish a season of use and/or type of vehicle use for roads and trails, the prohibition of wheeled motorized vehicle travel off designated NFS roads and trails by the public (except as allowed by permit or other authorization), and change dispersed vehicle camping designations from allowing travel up to 300 feet off road to 150 feet off road. A National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) decision is not required to designate roads and trails for public motorized uses that are currently part of the National Forest System of roads and trails.

Once a decision is made, a Motor Vehicle Use Map (MVUM) will be prepared, in compliance with the 2005 Forest Service Travel Management Rule (36 CFR Part 212). The MVUM will show all the routes that are designated for public motorized use on the Roosevelt/Duchesne and Flaming Gorge Ranger Districts. The MVUM will be the primary tool used to determine compliance and enforcement with motorized vehicle use designations on the forest. Those existing routes and other non-system routes not designated open on the MVUM will be legally closed to motorized travel. The decisions on motorized travel will not include motorized over-the-snow travel.

DATES: The comment period on the proposed action will extend 45 days

from the date the Notice of Intent is published in the **Federal Register**. The draft environmental impact statement is expected July 2008 and the final environmental impact statement is expected November 2008.

ADDRESSES: Send written comments to Kris Rutledge, Travel Management Team Coordinator, Ashley National Forest 355 N Vernal Ave., Vernal, UT 84078 or call (435) 781-5196.

Electronic comments may be e-mailed to comments-intermtn-ashley@fs.fed.us, contain "Roosevelt/Duchesne and Flaming Gorge Ranger District Travel Management Plan" in the subject line, and must be submitted in MS Word (*.doc) or rich text format (*.rtf).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kris Rutledge, Project Coordinator, at the Ashley National Forest 355 N. Vernal Ave., Vernal, UT., by phone (435) 781-5196, or e-mail krutledge@fs.fed.us.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: There will be a concurrent NOI and scoping for the Vernal Ranger District Travel Management Plan. The Vernal Ranger District is also located within the Ashley National Forest. However, because of differences in travel management within this District that currently allow motorized use on existing, non-designated routes in certain areas, and the large number of user-created routes on this District, it is anticipated that the assessment for the EIS will take longer than for the Roosevelt/Duchesne and Flaming Gorge Ranger Districts. Therefore, the analysis will be completed separately and at a later date. Cumulative effects will be analyzed for both EISs.

Purpose and Need for Action

The Ashley National Forest has determined that there is a need to improve management and enforcement of off-highway vehicle travel policy on the Forest. This need includes three fundamental management considerations.

1. *The need to better accommodate current motorized use and to address future growth.* There has been rapid growth in OHV use that was not anticipated when the 1982 Ashley National Forest Plan was written. Over the past few decades, the availability and capability of motorized vehicles, particularly off-highway vehicles (OHVs) and sport utility vehicles (SUVs) has increased tremendously. Utah is experiencing a high level of OHV use (196 % increase in eight years), with an even greater increase in use in the Uintah Basin (360% increase in eight years).

2. *The need to have a travel plans that is simple to understand and implement, and consistent with other Forests and land management agencies.* The model used for the existing travel plan relies on "open unless signed or mapped closed" designations that are complicated to interpret and, as a result, are difficult to enforce. The lack of simple and consistent travel policies among other Forests and land management agencies is confusing for the public; inhibits cooperative law enforcement; and has resulted in unplanned roads and trails, erosion, watershed and habitat degradation, and detrimental impacts to cultural resource sites. Compaction and erosion are the primary effects of OHV use on soils. Riparian areas and aquatic dependent species are particularly vulnerable to OHV use. The Travel Management Rule, 36 CFR Part 212, provides policy for ending this trend of unauthorized route proliferation and managing the Forest transportation system in a sustainable manner through designation of motorized NFS roads, trails, and areas, and the prohibition of cross-country travel.

3. *The need for changes to the existing transportation system.* This will help provide wheeled, motorized access to dispersed recreation opportunities (camping, hunting, fishing, hiking, horseback riding, etc.); provide a diversity of wheeled motorized recreation opportunities (4X4 vehicles, motorcycles, ATVs, passenger vehicles, etc.); and reduce the potential for OHV conflicts and impacts to other resource uses and values.

It is Forest Service policy to provide a diversity of road and trail opportunities for experiencing a variety of environments and modes of travel consistent with the National Forest recreation role and land capability (FSM 2353.03(2)). In meeting these needs, the proposed action must also achieve the following purposes:

- A. Avoid impacts to cultural resources.
- B. Provide for public safety.
- C. Provide for a diversity of recreational opportunities.
- D. Assure adequate access to public and private lands.
- E. Provide for adequate maintenance and administration of designations based on availability of resources and funding to do so.
- F. Minimize damage to soil, vegetation and other forest resources.
- G. Avoid harassment of wildlife and significant disruption of wildlife habitat.
- H. Minimize conflicts between wheeled motor vehicles and existing or