

Statement. The supplement would clarify and add more detail to the cumulative effects analysis regarding certain Regional Forester Sensitive Species that may be affected by the actions considered in the original Environmental Impact Statement.

DATES: Comments concerning the scope of the analysis must be received by May 15, 2006 in order to be fully considered in preparing this supplemental statement. The draft supplemental environmental impact statement is expected July, 2006 and the final supplemental environmental impact statement is expected September, 2006.

ADDRESSES: Send written comments to Anne F. Archie, Forest Supervisor, Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest, 1170 4th Avenue S, Park Falls, WI 54552.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Brian Quinn, Forest Environmental Coordinator, (see address above).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose and Need for Action: The purpose of the Cayuga Project is to move the structure and cover of the existing forest closer to desired conditions described in the 2004 Nicolet National Forest Plan. A concurrent purpose is to eliminate unneeded roads and manage needed roads in a more efficient and effective way.

Proposed Action: The major actions would use commercial timber harvest, non-commercial vegetation management, road closure and road decommissioning to achieve the purpose and need.

Responsible Official: Anne F. Archie, Forest Supervisor, Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest, is the responsible official.

Nature of Decision To Be Made: The decision will be limited to determining whether to revise, amend or reassert; the original Cayuga Record of Decision (May 7, 2003).

Scoping Process: A scoping package will be mailed to all parties who previously were mailed the original draft environmental impact statement, and to those who request a copy.

Comment Requested: This notice of intent initiates the scoping process which guides the development of the supplemental environmental impact statement. Specifically, the supplement will fully consider cumulative effects of timber harvest to goshawk, red-shouldered hawk, American marten, spruce grouse and black-backed woodpecker that occur in the Cayuga project area.

Early Notice of Importance of Public Participation in Subsequent Environmental Review: A draft

supplement to the environmental impact statement will be prepared for comment. The comment period on the draft statement will be 45 days from the date the Environmental Protection Agency publishes the notice of availability in the **Federal Register**. The Forest Service believes, at this early stage, it is important to give reviewers notice of several court rulings related to public participation in the environmental review process.

First, reviewers of draft environmental impact statements must structure their participation in the environmental review of the proposal so that it is meaningful and alerts an agency to the reviewer's position and contentions. *Vermont Yankee Nuclear Power Corp. v. NRDC*, 435 U.S. 519, 553 (1978). Also, environmental objections that could be raised at the draft supplemental environmental impact statement stage but that are not raised until after completion of the final supplemental environmental impact statement may be waived or dismissed by the courts. *City of Angoon v. Hodel*, 803 F.2d 1016, 1022 (9th Cir. 1986) and *Wisconsin Heritages, Inc. v. Harris*, 490 F. Supp. 1334, 1338 (E.D. Wis. 1980). Because of these court rulings, it is very important that those interested in this proposed action participate by the close of the 45-day comment period so that substantive comments and objections are made available to the Forest Service at a time when it can meaningfully consider them and respond to them in the final environmental impact statement. To assist the Forest Service in identifying and considering issues and concerns on the proposed action, comments on the draft environmental impact statement should be as specific as possible. It is also helpful if comments refer to specific pages or chapters of the draft statement. Comments may also address the adequacy of the draft environmental impact statement or the merits of the alternatives formulated and discussed in the statement. Reviewers may wish to refer to the Council on Environmental Quality Regulations for implementing the procedural provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act at 40 CFR 1503.3 in addressing these points.

Comments received, including the names and address of those who comment, will be considered part of the public record on this proposal and will be available for public inspection.

Authority: 40 CFR 151.7 and 1508.22; Forest Service Handbook 1909.15, Section 20

Dated: March 16, 2006.

Anne F. Archie,

Forest Supervisor, Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Sierra County, CA, Resource Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of Meeting.

SUMMARY: The Sierra County Resource Advisory Committee (RAC) will meet on April 5, 2006, in Downieville, California. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss issues relating to implementing the *Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000* (Payments to States) and the expenditure of Title II funds benefiting National Forest System lands on the Humboldt-Toiyabe, Plumas and Tahoe National Forests in Sierra County.

DATES: The meeting will be held Wednesday, April 5, 2006 at 10 a.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Community Hall, Downieville, CA.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ann Westling, Committee Coordinator, USDA, Tahoe National Forest, 631 Coyote St, Nevada City, CA, 95959, (530) 478-6205, e-mail: awestling@fs.fed.us.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Agenda items to be covered include: (1) Welcome and announcements; (2) Status of previously approved projects; and (3) Review of and decisions on new projects proposals for current year. The meeting was previously scheduled for February 28, but due to winter weather was cancelled. It is open to the public and the public will have an opportunity to comment at the meeting. This meeting will be rescheduled if weather conditions warrant.

Dated: March 17, 2006.

Steven T. Eubanks,

Forest Supervisor.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Rural Utilities Service

Information Collection Activity; Comment Request

AGENCY: Rural Utilities Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended), the Rural Utilities Service, an agency delivering the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Rural Development Utilities Programs, invites comments on this information collection for which approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) will be requested.

DATES: Comments on this notice must be received by May 22, 2006.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Richard C. Annan, Director, Program Development and Regulatory Analysis, USDA Rural Development, 1400 Independence Ave., SW., STOP 1522, Room 5818 South Building, Washington, DC 20250-1522. Telephone: (202) 720-0784. Fax: (202) 720-8435.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Office of Management and Budget's (OMB) regulation (5 CFR 1320) implementing provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13) requires that interested members of the public and affected agencies have an opportunity to comment on information collection and recordkeeping activities (see 5 CFR 1320.8(d)). This notice identifies an information collection that RUS is submitting to OMB for reinstatement.

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed 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 the burden of the proposed collection of information including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and (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 may be sent to: Richard C. Annan, Director, Program Development and Regulatory Analysis, USDA Rural Development, STOP 1522, 1400 Independence Ave., SW., Washington, DC 20250-1522. FAX: (202) 720-8435.

Title: 7 CFR 1744-C, Advance and Disbursement of Funds—Telecommunications.

OMB Control Number: 0572-0023.

Type of Request: Revision of a currently approved information collection package.

Abstract: USDA Rural Development, through the Rural Utilities Service, manages the Telecommunications loan program in accordance with the Rural Electrification Act (RE Act) of 1936, 7 U.S.C. 901 et seq., as amended, and as prescribed by OMB Circular A-129, Policies for Federal Credit Programs and Non-Tax Receivables.

In addition, the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 (Pub. L. 101-171) amended the RE Act to add Title VI, Rural Broadband Access, to provide loans and loan guarantees to fund the cost of construction, improvement, or acquisition of facilities and equipment for the provision of broadband service in eligible rural communities. USDA Rural Development therefore requires Telecommunications and Broadband borrowers to submit Form 481, Financial Requirement Statement. This form implements certain provisions of the standard Rural Utilities Service loan documents by setting forth requirements and procedures to be followed by borrowers in obtaining advances and making disbursements of loan funds.

Estimate of Burden: Public reporting for this collection of information is estimated to average 1 hour per response.

Respondents: Business or other for profit, Not-for-profit institutions.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 177.

Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent: 6.3.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 1,223 hours.

Copies of this information collection can be obtained from Joyce McNeil, Program Development and Regulatory Analysis at (202) 720-0812. FAX: (202) 720-8435. All responses to this notice will be summarized and included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will also become a matter of public record.

Dated: March 15, 2006.

James M. Andrew,
Administrator, Rural Utilities Service.
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[A-588-804]

Ball Bearings and Parts Thereof from Japan: Initiation and Preliminary Results of Changed-Circumstances Review

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

SUMMARY: In response to a petition for an expedited changed-circumstances review from Koyo Seiko Co., Ltd., and Koyo Corporation of U.S.A., the Department of Commerce is initiating a changed-circumstances review of the antidumping duty order on ball bearings and parts thereof from Japan. We have preliminarily concluded that JTEKT Corporation is the successor-in-interest to Koyo Seiko Co., Ltd., and, as a result, should be accorded the same treatment previously accorded to Koyo Seiko Co., Ltd., with regard to the antidumping duty order on ball bearings and parts thereof from Japan. Interested parties are invited to comment on these preliminary results.

EFFECTIVE DATE: March 23, 2006.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Edythe Artman at (202) 482-3931 or Richard Rimlinger at (202) 482-4477, AD/CVD Operations, Office 5, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

The Department of Commerce (the Department) published antidumping duty orders on ball bearings, cylindrical roller bearings, and spherical plain bearings and parts thereof from Japan on May 15, 1989. See *Antidumping Duty Orders: Ball Bearings, Cylindrical Roller Bearings, and Spherical Plain Bearings, and Parts Thereof from Japan*, 54 FR 20904 (May 15, 1989). The orders on cylindrical roller bearings and spherical plain bearings and parts thereof from Japan were revoked, effective January 1, 2000. See *Revocation of Antidumping Duty Orders on Certain Bearings From Hungary, Japan, Romania, Sweden, France, Germany, Italy, and the United Kingdom*, 65 FR 42667 (July 11, 2000). Koyo Seiko Co., Ltd., and Koyo Corporation of U.S.A. (collectively Koyo) have participated in numerous administrative reviews of the order on ball bearings and parts thereof from Japan. On February 3, 2006, Koyo informed the Department that Koyo