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*For Further Information About the Public Meeting Contact:* Syed Amjad Ali, International Issues Analyst, U.S. Codex Office, FSIS, Room 4861, South Agriculture Building, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20250-3700. Phone (202) 205-7760; Fax (202) 720-3157.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### Background

The Codex Alimentarius Commission (Codex) was established in 1963 by two United Nations organizations, the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) and the World Health Organization (WHO). Codex is the major international organization for encouraging fair international trade in food and protecting the health and economic interests of consumers. Through adoption of food standards, codes of practice, and other guidelines developed by its committees, and by promoting their adoption and implementation by governments, Codex seeks to ensure that the world's food supply is sound, wholesome, free from adulteration, and correctly labeled.

The Codex Committee on Methods of Analysis and Sampling was established to perform multiple functions; defines criteria appropriate for Codex Methods of Analysis and Sampling; specifies reference methods of analysis and sampling; endorses methods of analysis and sampling proposed by Codex Committees; elaborates sampling plans; and considers specific sampling and analysis problems. The Committee is chaired by Hungary.

##### Issues To Be Discussed at the Public Meeting

The following items on the agenda for the 27th Session of CCMAS will be discussed during the public meeting:

- Matters referred by the Codex Alimentarius Commission and other Codex Committees
- Proposed Draft Guidelines for Evaluating Acceptable Methods of Analysis
- Proposed Draft Guidelines for Settling Disputes on Analytical (Test) Results
- Recommendation for a Checklist of Information
- Further Review of Analytical Terminology for Codex Use (For inclusion in the Procedural Manual)
- Criteria for Methods of Detection and Identification of Foods Derived from Biotechnology
- Conversion of the Methods for Trace Elements into Criteria
- Methods of analysis for dioxins and PCBs

Each issue listed will be fully described in documents distributed, or to be distributed, by the Hungarian Secretariat prior to the meeting. Members of the public may access copies of these documents via the World Wide Web at the following address: <http://www.codexalimentarius.net/current.asp>.

##### Public Meeting

At the May 9, 2006 public meeting, these agenda items will be described, discussed, and attendees will have the opportunity to pose questions and offer comments. Written comments may be offered at the meeting or sent to the U.S. Delegate for the 27th Session of the CCMAS, Dr. Gregory Diachenko (See For Further Information About the 27TH Session of the CCMAS Contact). Written comments should state that they relate to activities of the 27th Session of the CCMAS.

##### Additional Public Notification

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Done at Washington, DC on: April 14, 2006.

**F. Edward Scarbrough,**

*U.S. Manager for Codex Alimentarius.*

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#### DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

##### Food Safety and Inspection Service

[Docket No. FSIS-2006-0007]

##### **Codex Alimentarius Commission: Meeting of the Codex Committee on Residues of Veterinary Drugs in Foods**

**AGENCY:** Office of the Under Secretary for Food Safety, USDA.

**ACTION:** Notice of public meeting, request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The Office of the Under Secretary for Food Safety, United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) and the Center for Veterinary Medicine (CVM), Food and Drug Administration (FDA), are sponsoring a public meeting on Wednesday, April 26, 2006, to provide information and receive public comments on agenda items that will be discussed at the Sixteenth Session of the Codex Committee on Residues in Veterinary Drugs in Foods, which will be held in Cancun, Mexico, May 8-12, 2006. The Under Secretary and CVM recognize the importance of providing interested parties with information about the Codex Committee on Residues of Veterinary Drugs in Foods (CCRVDF) of the Codex Alimentarius Commission and to address items on the Agenda for the 16th Session of the Committee.

**DATES:** The public meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, April 26, 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The public meeting will be held in Room 1160, South Agriculture Building, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20250. Documents related to the 16th Session of CCRVDF will be accessible via the World Wide Web at the following address: <http://www.codexalimentarius.net>.

FSIS invites interested persons to submit comments on this notice. Comments may be submitted by any of the following methods:

**Federal eRulemaking Portal:** This Web site provides the ability to type short comments directly into the comment field on this Web page or attach a file for lengthier comments. Go to <http://www.regulations.gov> and, in the "Search for Open Regulations" box, select "Food Safety and Inspection Service" from the agency drop-down menu, then click on "Submit." In the Docket ID column, select the FDMS Docket Number FSIS-2006-0007 to submit or view public comments and to view supporting and related materials available electronically.

Mail, including floppy disks or CD-ROM's, and hand- or courier-delivered items: Send to FSIS Docket Room, Docket Clerk, USDA, Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS), 300 12th Street, SW., Room 102, Cotton Annex Building, Washington, DC 20250.

Electronic mail: [fsis.regulationscomments@fsis.usda.gov](mailto:fsis.regulationscomments@fsis.usda.gov).

All submissions received must include the Agency name and docket number FSIS-2006-0007.

All comments submitted in response to this notice, as well as research and background information used by FSIS in developing this document, will be posted to the [regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) Web site. The background information and comments also will be available for public inspection in the FSIS Docket Room at the address listed above between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

*For Further Information About the 16th Session of CCRVDF Contact:* U.S. Delegate, Dr. Steven Vaughn, Director, Office of New Animal Drug Evaluation, Center for Veterinary Medicine, FDA, 7500 Standish Place, Rockville, MD 20855, Phone: (301) 827-1796, Fax: (301) 594-2297. E-mail: [svaughn@cvm.fda.gov](mailto:svaughn@cvm.fda.gov).

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The Codex Committee on Residues of Veterinary Drugs in Foods was established in 1985 by the 16th Session of the Codex Alimentarius Commission to determine priorities for the consideration of residues of veterinary drugs in foods, to recommend maximum levels of such substances, to develop codes of practice as may be required, and to consider methods of sampling and analysis for the determination of veterinary drug residues in foods. The Committee is chaired by the United States.

**Issues To Be Discussed at the Public Meeting**

The following items on the agenda for the 16th Session of CCRVDF will be discussed during the public meeting:

- Draft Maximum Residue Limits for Veterinary Drugs at Steps 7, 6, 4 and 3
- Proposed Draft Revised Guidelines for the Establishment of a Regulatory Program for the Control of Veterinary Drug Residues in Foods
- Proposed Draft Revised Part I, II, and III of the Codex Guidelines for the Establishment of a Regulatory Program for the Control of Veterinary Drug Residues in Foods
- Risk Management Methodologies, Including Risk Assessment Policies, in the Codex Committee of Veterinary Drugs in Foods
- Review of Performance-based Criteria for Methods of Analysis
- Consideration of the Priority List of Veterinary Drugs Requiring Evaluation or Re-evaluation
- Report of the Working Group on Residues of Veterinary Drugs without ADI/MRL

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**Public Meeting**

At the April 26, 2006 public meeting, draft U.S. positions on these agenda items will be described, discussed, and attendees will have the opportunity to pose questions and offer comments. Written comments may be offered at the meeting or sent to the U.S. Delegate for the 16th Session of CCRVDF, Dr. Steven Vaughn, (see For Further Information About the 16th Session of CCRVDF Contact). Written comments should state that they relate to activities of the 16th Session of the CCRVDF.

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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Forest Service

#### Notice of New Fee; Federal Lands Recreation Enhancement Act (Title VIII, Pub. L. 108-447)

**AGENCY:** Sumter National Forest, USDA Forest Service.

**ACTION:** Notice of New Fee Site.

**SUMMARY:** The Sumter National Forest proposes to begin charging a \$3.00 fee for the use of the FORKS Mountain Bike Trail. Continued interest in mountain bike trails, especially in this area, have shown the public's interest in this activity will be appreciated and well received. Funds derived from this fee will be used for the continued maintenance of the trail, provide portapotties for sanitation, provide drinking water to meet DHEC standards and maintain the trailhead. This project was made possible through a cooperative effort between the Forest Service, South Carolina Parks Recreation and Tourism, Southern Off Road Biking Association, Long Cane Trails, Michelin and Upper Savannah Land Trust.

**DATES:** The proposed fee will be initiated October 31, 2006. Comments, concerns or questions about this new fee must be submitted by May 30, 2006.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit comments, concerns or questions about the new fee associated with forks Mountain Bike Trail to: Forest Supervisor, Sumter National Forest, 4931 Broad River Road, Columbia, SC 29212-3530.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Libby Meadows, Outdoor Recreation Planner, 864, 746-6120.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Federal Recreation Lands Enhancement Act (Title VIII, Pub. L. 108-447) directed the Secretary of Agriculture to publish a six-month advance notice in the **Federal Register** whenever new recreation fee areas are established. The Sumter National Forest, Long Cane Ranger District, currently has a large mountain biking community. The Recreation Resource Advisory Committee will review consideration for new fee at least three months prior to proposed initiation date.

Dated: April 11, 2006.

**Kerwin Dewberry,**

*Acting Ranger, Long Cane Ranger District.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Natural Resources Conservation Service

#### Clarke County Water Supply Project, Clarke County, IA

**AGENCY:** Natural Resources Conservation Service, USDA.

**ACTION:** Notice of intent to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to section 102(2)(C) of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969; the Council on Environmental Quality Guidelines (40 CFR part 1500); and the Natural Resources Conservation Service Guidelines (7 CFR part 650); the Natural Resources Conservation Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture gives notice that an environmental impact statement (EIS) is being prepared for the Clarke County Water Supply Project, Clarke County, Iowa.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Richard Van Klaveren, State Conservationist, or David Beck, Planning Leader, 210 Walnut Street, Room 693, Des Moines, IA 50309-2180.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The environmental evaluation of this Federally assisted action indicates that the project may cause significant local, regional, or national impacts on the environment. As a result of these findings, Richard Van Klaveren, NRCS State Conservationist, has determined that the preparation and review of an environmental impact statement (EIS) is needed for this project.

This project involves the development of a plan to develop a multipurpose watershed plan near Osceola in southern Iowa. The Clarke County Water Supply project area is 32,946 acres northwest of Osceola including the upper portions of both Squaw Creek Watershed and South Squaw Creek Watershed.

The Clarke County Reservoir Commission is the project sponsor. The Commission includes members from the following entities: Cities of Murray, Osceola, and Woodburn; Osceola Water Board, Clarke County Board of Supervisors, Clarke County Conservation Board, Clarke County Soil and Water Conservation District, Clarke County Development Corporation, and Southern Iowa Rural Water Association.

The sponsors' main purposes are to develop a lake that will serve as a regional water supply and provide water-based recreation. Other objectives include fish and wildlife habitat development, agricultural pollution control, and water-based recreation.

The NRCS planning assistance is being provided under the authority of the Watershed Protection and Flood Prevention Act, Public Law 83-566. The NRCS has initiated studies to determine the extent of natural resource problems and needs in accordance with the sponsors' objectives.

The NRCS studies indicate that the sponsors' objectives of water supply, water-based recreation, fish and wildlife development, and agricultural pollution control are likely to be economically feasible. Additional study for these project purposes will be completed.

Five study sites on the main channel of North Squaw Creek were initially identified for possible multiple-purpose reservoir sites. An interdisciplinary team field review was conducted in 2004. Two study sites were dropped from further consideration in January, 2005, after it was determined that the sites provided insufficient water during dry periods to meet current and future water demands projected for the community of 3 million gallons per day. A preliminary alternative plan is being developed at each of the three remaining study sites. The three preliminary alternatives include permanent pool sizes of 590 acres, 692 acres, and 836 acres respectively.

Each of the three alternative plans that is carried through detailed planning will be compared against a no action plan as a basis to determine effects. The sponsors will select an alternative plan based on the effects, economic evaluation, and the extent that it meets their objectives. The project will include one multi-purpose reservoir with the purposes of water supply and water-based recreation. Fish and wildlife habitat development will be planned as a part of the reservoir and adjacent lands acquired for recreation, mitigation if required, and other public purposes. Best management practices may be included in the planned project in order to further protect both the new surface water supply and West Lake, which serves as the current water supply source for Osceola and rural water. West Lake is located on South Squaw Creek about two miles west of Osceola and is in the project area.

An open house informational meeting was held in Osceola on December 1, 2004, to initiate the planning process and obtain public input. State and federal agencies, private organizations,