

Trade Support Programs Division, Foreign Agricultural Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, and the U.S. Customs and Border Protection, U.S. Department of Homeland Security.

The regulation at 7 CFR 6.33(a) provides that a fee will be charged for each license issued to a person or firm by the Licensing Authority in order to reimburse the Department of Agriculture for the costs of administering the licensing system under this regulation.

The regulation at 7 CFR 6.33(a) also provides that the Licensing Authority will announce the annual fee for each license and that such fee will be set out in a notice to be published in the **Federal Register**. Accordingly, this notice sets out the fee for the licenses to be issued for the 2009 calendar year.

Notice

The total cost to the Department of Agriculture of administering the licensing system for 2009 has been estimated to be \$360,000, and the estimated number of licenses expected to be issued is 2,400. Of the total cost, \$235,000 represents staff and supervisory costs directly related to administering the licensing system, and \$125,000 represents other miscellaneous costs, including travel, postage, publications, forms, Internet software development, and ADP system contractors.

Accordingly, notice is hereby given that the fee for each license issued to a person or firm for the 2009 calendar year, in accordance with 7 CFR 6.33, will be \$150 per license.

Issued at Washington, DC the 9th day of July, 2008.

Ronald Lord,

Licensing Authority.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Foreign Agricultural Service

Meeting of the Advisory Committee on Emerging Markets

AGENCY: Foreign Agricultural Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the provisions of section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463), notice is hereby given that the next meeting of the Advisory Committee on Emerging Markets will be held on September 10-11, 2008. The role of the committee is to provide information and advice,

based upon knowledge and expertise of the members, useful to the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) in implementing the Emerging Markets Program. The committee also advises USDA on the involvement of the U.S. private sector in cooperative work with emerging markets in food and rural business systems, and reviews proposals submitted to the Program.

DATES: The meeting will convene on September 10, 2008, from 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., and on September 11, 2008, from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held on the 4th Floor, Room 411 Portals Building, 1250 Maryland Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20024. Please submit comments by e-mail to Nancy.Hirschhorn@fas.usda.gov or by fax to (202) 690-0193. Persons with disabilities who require an alternative means of communication of information (Braille, large print, audiotape, etc.) should contact USDA's Target Center at (202) 720-2600 (voice and TDD).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Nancy Hirschhorn by e-mail at emo@fas.usda.gov or by telephone (202) 720-6896.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The purpose of this meeting is to review and discuss those proposals submitted for participation in the fiscal year 2009 Emerging Markets Program, which qualify for funding from the program. The meeting is open to the public and members of the public may provide comments, but they should not make any oral comments at the meeting unless invited to do so by the co-chairpersons. The proposals will be posted on the Federal Advisory Committees Database at <http://fido.gov/facadatabase/public.asp>.

Dated: August 21, 2008.

Michael W. Yost,

Administrator, Foreign Agricultural Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Notice of Proposed New Fee Sites and Fee Increase at Existing Fee Sites; Federal Lands Recreation Enhancement Act (Title VIII, Pub. L. 108-447)

AGENCY: Fremont-Winema National Forests, USDA Forest Service.

ACTION: Notice of proposal to implement camping fees at full service campgrounds, and to increase camp fees at existing fee sites.

SUMMARY: The Fremont-Winema National Forests are planning to start charging fees at ten recreation campground sites, and increase camp fees at three existing fee sites and five recreation cabin rentals. The Forest is committed to responsibly serving the public by efficiently operating and, when necessary, modifying the services to ensure developed recreation sites are managed to health and safety standards, and provide recreation opportunities strategically across the Forests. As demographics change and new challenges are presented, it is the Forest's responsibility to respond and ensure that appropriate recreation services and facilities are available to the public. Fees are assessed based on the level of amenities and services provided, cost of operation and maintenance, market assessment and public comment. The fees listed are only proposed and will be determined upon further analysis and public comment. Funds from fees would be used for the continued operation and maintenance of these recreation sites.

Aspen Cabin, Bald Butte Lookout, Currier Guard Station, Drake Peak Lookout and Hager Mountain Lookout will continue to be available for overnight rental. The facilities are currently available for rent at either \$25 or \$30 per night. A financial analysis is being completed to determine the appropriate rental fee to cover operating expenses. Future fees may range between \$40 and \$50 per night. Lookout and forest cabin rentals offer a unique experience and are a widely popular offering on National Forests. Fees would continue to help protect and maintain lookout and cabin rentals and their historic integrity.

The fee structure at Digit Point Campground is proposed to change from the required \$10.00 per campsite plus \$5.00 for an extra vehicle for overnight use to \$12.00 per campsite plus \$5.00 for an extra vehicle. A fee of \$5.00 per campsite is proposed when the water system is no longer active, primarily in the spring and fall.

The fee structure at Williamson River Campground is proposed to change from \$6.00 per campsite plus \$2.00 for an extra vehicle for overnight use to \$10.00 per campsite plus \$4.00 for an extra vehicle.

The fee structure at East Bay Campground is proposed to change from \$8.00 per campsite plus \$2.00 for an extra vehicle for overnight use to \$10.00 per campsite plus \$4.00 for an extra vehicle.

Campbell, Deadhorse, Cottonwood, Dog Lake, Lofton, Marster Springs, Silver Creek Marsh (campground and

trailhead) and Thompson Reservoir Campgrounds are currently free full service campground sites. A financial analysis is being completed to determine appropriate fee rates. The proposed fee would be used to help maintain these campgrounds and is proposed to be between \$6 and \$8 a campsite, and \$2.00 for an additional vehicle.

Walt Haring Snow Park is currently a free full service campground with a recreation vehicle dump station. A financial analysis is being completed to determine appropriate fee rates. The proposed fee would be used to help maintain this campground and is proposed to be between \$6 and \$8 a campsite. A fee of \$5.00 is also proposed for use of the recreation vehicle dump station. Recreation fees would be reinvested in campground and cabin facilities where a fee is charged.

DATES: New fees would begin after April 2009.

ADDRESSES: Karen Shimamoto, Forest Supervisor, Fremont-Winema National Forests, 2819 Dahlia, Klamath Falls, Oregon 97601.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Rich Kehr, Recreation Fee Coordinator, 541-883-6722. Information about proposed fee changes can also be found on the Fremont-Winema National Forests Web site: <http://www.fs.fed.us/r6/willamette/recreation/index.html>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Federal Recreation Lands Enhancement Act (Title VII, 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. Once public involvement is complete, these new fees will be reviewed by a Recreation Resource Advisory Committee prior to a final decision and implementation. People wanting to rent Aspen Cabin, Bald Butte Lookout, Currier Guard Station, Drake Peak Lookout and Hager Mountain Lookout need to do so through the National Recreation Reservation Service, at <http://www.reserveamerica.com> or by calling 1-877-444-6777.

Dated: August 20, 2008.

Karen Shimamoto,

Forest Supervisor, Fremont-Winema National Forests.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Rural Utilities Service

Associated Electric Cooperative Incorporated; Notice of Intent To Hold Public Scoping Meeting and Prepare an Environmental Assessment

AGENCY: Rural Utilities Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of intent to hold public scoping meeting and prepare an environmental assessment (EA).

SUMMARY: The Rural Utilities Service (RUS), an agency delivering the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Rural Development Utilities Programs, hereinafter referred to as Rural Development and/or Agency, intends to hold a public scoping meeting and prepare an Environmental Assessment (EA) in connection with potential impacts related to projects proposed by Associated Electric Cooperative, Inc. (AECI) of Springfield, Missouri. The proposal consists of the construction of a new 540-megawatt gas-fired combustion combined-cycle generation unit at the existing Chouteau Power Plant, a new substation approximately two miles east of the existing plant, a 161-kV transmission line from the existing plant to the new substation, and a single circuit 345-kV line from the new substation to the existing Grand River Dam Authority (GRDA) Coal-Fired Power Plant in Mayes County, Oklahoma. AECI is requesting financing assistance from the Agency for the proposed action.

DATES: The Agency will conduct a scoping meeting in an open house format seeking the input of the public and other interested parties. The meeting will be held from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m., on September 16, 2008.

ADDRESSES: The September 16, 2008 meeting will be held at the Mid America Expo Center, Mid America Industrial Park, Pryor, Oklahoma 74361. An Alternatives Report, prepared by Associated Electric Cooperative, Inc., will be available at the public scoping meetings, at the Agency's address provided in this notice, at the Agency's Web site: <http://www.usda.gov/rus/water/ees/ea.htm>, at Associated Electric Cooperative, Inc., 211 South Golden, Springfield, Missouri 65801 and at the: Pryor Public Library, 505 E Graham, Pryor, OK 74361, Phone: (918) 825-0777.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Stephanie Strength, Environmental Protection Specialist, USDA Rural Development, Utilities Programs, Engineering and Environmental Staff, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW., Stop

1571, Washington, DC 20250-1571, or e-mail stephanie.strength@wdc.usda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Associated Electric Cooperative, Inc. proposes to construct a new 540-megawatt gas-fired combustion combined-cycle generation unit at the existing Chouteau Power Plant in Mayes County, Oklahoma with an in-service date of early 2011. The proposed 540 MW generating project will be connected to a new 161/345-kV substation that will serve both the existing and proposed generating facilities. This substation will be located approximately two miles east of the Chouteau Power Plant on 16.7 acres. A single circuit 161-kV transmission line would be constructed from the existing Chouteau Power Plant to the new 345/161-kV substation and a single circuit 345-kV line will be constructed from the new substation to the existing Grand River Dam Authority (GRDA) Coal-Fired Power Plant. Government agencies, private organizations, and the public are invited to participate in the planning and analysis of the proposed project. Representatives from the Agency and Associated Electric Cooperative, Inc. will be available at the scoping meeting to discuss the environmental review process, describe the proposal, discuss the scope of environmental issues to be considered, answer questions, and accept comments. Comments regarding the proposed action may be submitted (orally or in writing) at the public scoping meetings or in writing for receipt no later than October 16, 2008 to the Agency at the address provided in this notice.

From information provided in the Alternatives Report, input that may be provided by government agencies, private organizations, and the public, Associated Electric Cooperative, Inc. will prepare an environmental analysis to be submitted to the Agency for review. The Agency will review the environmental analysis to determine the significance of the impacts of the proposal and if acceptable will adopt it as its environmental assessment (EA) of the proposal. The Agency's EA would be available for review and comment for 30 days. Should the Agency determine, based on the EA for the proposal, that impacts associated with the construction and operation of the proposal would not have a significant environmental impact, it will prepare a finding of no significant impact (FONSI). Public notification of a FONSI would be published in the **Federal Register** and in newspapers with circulation in the proposal area.