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Since 1990, more than 160 community facilities have received loans totaling nearly \$146 million guaranteed through the CP program.

These loans can be made for a variety of purposes including healthcare, public buildings and improvements, fire and rescue, easements, or buildings; purchase of equipment, machinery, or supplies; repair and modernization; pollution control; transportation services; start up and working capital; and feasibility studies. The rate and terms of the loan are negotiated between the applicant and the lender. The information collected is used by RHS to manage, plan, evaluate and account for Government resources. The reports are required to ensure the proper and judicious use of public funds.

Estimate of Burden: Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 16.24 hours per response.

Respondents: Non-profit corporations and public bodies.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 175.

Estimated Number of Responses Per Respondent: 7.74.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 22,012 hours.

Copies of this information can be obtained from the Director, Regulations and Paperwork Management Division, at (202) 720-9725.

Comments

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 should be sent to the Director, Regulation and Paperwork Management Division, U.S. Department of Agriculture, RECD, Ag. Box 0743, Washington, DC 20250. All comments will be summarized and included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will also become a matter of public record.

Dated: April 15, 1996.

Jan E. Shadburn,

Acting Administrator,

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Forest Service

Eastern Roosevelt Lake Watershed Analysis Area, Tonto National Forest, Gila County, Arizona

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of intent to prepare an environmental impact statement.

SUMMARY: The USDA, Forest Service will prepare an environmental impact statement (EIS) for the Eastern Roosevelt Lake Watershed Analysis Area (ERLWAA) to develop grazing strategies with associated range improvements for the following grazing allotments: Armer Mountain, A Cross, Dagger, Poison Springs and Sierra Ancha. The ERLWAA project area is located approximately 9 miles east of Theodore Roosevelt Lake Dam, Roosevelt, Arizona. The allotments are further identified by the following legal description:

Armer Mountain Allotment—31,702 Acres

All or part of sections 34-36 of T 7 N, R 13 E; sections 1-3 and 8-35 of T 6 N, R 13 E; sections 24-26, 35, and 36 of T 6 N, R 12 E; sections 1, 2, and 12 of T 5 N, R 12 E; sections 2-10, 15-18, 20-22, 28, 29, and 32-34 of T 5 N, R 13 E; and sections 3-5, 7-10, 15-18, 20-22, and 27-29 of T 4 N, R 13 E; Gila and Salt River Base and Meridian (Appendix C-1).

A Cross Allotment—35,894 Acres

All or part of sections 34-36 of T 7 N, R 13 E; sections 31 and 32 of T 7 N, R 14 E; sections 1, 2, 12, 13, 24-26, 35, and 36 of T 6 N, R 13 E; sections 5-9 and 15-21 and 28-34 of T 6 N, R 14 E; sections 1-3, 10-15, 21-28, and 34-36 of T 5 N, R 13 E; sections 3-8, 16-20, and 29-31 of T 5 N, R 14 E; sections 1-3, 10-15, 22-24, 26, and 27 of T 4 N, R 13 E; and sections 6 and 7 of T 4 N, R 14 E; Gila and Salt River Base and Meridian (Appendix C-2).

Dagger Allotment—33,933 Acres

All or part of sections 26, 34, 35, and 36 of T 6 N, R 15 E; sections 24-27 and 34-36 of T 5 N, R 14 E; sections 1-3, 9-16, and 19-36 of T 5 N, R 15 E; section 35 of T 5 N, R 16 E; sections 1 and 2 of T 4 N, R 14 E; sections 1-6, 8-17, 21-28, and 33-35 of T 4 N, R 15 E; sections 2, 3, 10, 11, 14, 15, 22, and 23 of T 4 N, R 16 E; and section 2 of T 3 N, R 15 E; Gila and Salt River Base and Meridian (Appendix C-3).

Poison Springs Allotment—43,529 Acres

All or part of sections 34 and 35 of T 5 N, R 14 E; sections 5-9, 16-21, and 28-32 of T 4 N, R 15 E; sections 1-3, 9-16, and 20-36 of T 4 N, R 14 E; sections 35 and 36 of T 4 N, R 13 E; sections 2-11, 14-23, and 26-36 of T 3 N, R 14 E; sections 1, 2, 11-14, 23-26, 35, and 36 of T 3 N, R 13 E; sections 3-9 and 17 of T 2 N, R 14 E; and section 1 of T 2 N, R 13 E; Gila and Salt River Base and Meridian (Appendix C-4).

Sierra Ancha Allotment—22,099 Acres

All or part of sections 15-17, 20-22, 26-29 and 32-35 of T 6 N, R 14 E; sections 6, 7, 18, and 19 of T 5 N, R 15 E; sections 1-5, 8-17, and 20-34 of T 5 N, R 14 E; sections 2-10, 16-21 and 29-31 of T 4 N, R 14 E; and sections 1, 12, 13, and 24-26 of T 4 N, R 13 E; Gila and Salt River Base and Meridian (Appendix C-5).

The purpose of the EIS will be to develop and evaluate a range of alternatives for grazing strategies and associated range improvements. The alternatives will include a no action alternative, involving no new range improvements or changes to the current grazing strategy for each allotment, and additional alternatives to respond to issues generated during the scoping process.

ADDRESSES: Submit written comments to Lanny Warren, Range/Watershed/Soils Staff Officer, Tonto Basin Ranger District, HC02 Box 4800, Roosevelt, Arizona 85545.

RESPONSIBLE OFFICIAL: The responsible official who will make the decision regarding this project is Dennis P. Roy, District Ranger, Tonto Basin Ranger District, HC02 Box 4800, Roosevelt, Arizona 85545, (520) 467-3200. He will decide under what circumstances the grazing operation will continue.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Direct question about the proposed action, public scoping, and the environmental impact statement to Lanny Warren (520) 467-3200.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Eastern Roosevelt Lake Watershed Analysis Area (ERLWAA) encompasses over 167,150 acres and contains five grazing allotments, which are: Armer Mountain, A Cross, Dagger, Poison Spring, and Sierra Ancha. The Forest Service's proposed management will employ 4 grazing systems for 3 cow/calf and yearling operations. Each grazing system will employ a rest-rotation scheme of use. Growing season rest requirements of the plants will dictate how each pasture will be utilized in the rotation scheme of use.

There are three designated Wilderness Areas wholly or partially within the ERLWAA. These are the Salome

Wilderness (7,852 acres), the Sierra Ancha Wilderness (20,850 acres) and the Salt River Canyon Wilderness (9,777 acres). The Sierra Ancha Experimental Forest is 13,371 acres in size. It occurs on the A Cross and Sierra Ancha allotments. Currently, the Tonto National Forest's Land Management Plan has listed livestock use in the Experimental Forest as Level A; No Grazing. On June 29, 1994, a wildfire was started by a lightning strike near Armer Mountain. This fire burned portions of the Armer Mountain and A Cross allotments. A total of 5,760 acres was burned. Depending on the recovery of the vegetation on each of the allotments, some priorities may need to be shifted in the future. The Fish and Wildlife Service's Amendment to the Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act Report on Plan 6, Central Arizona, Regulatory Storage Division was prepared as a mitigation plan designed to mitigate impacts on fish and wildlife resources associated with construction and operation of Plan 6. In this report it states, "In order to control access to the lake by livestock and reduce impacts to native vegetation associated with uncontrolled grazing, funding should be provided to accelerate the implementation of new and revised Allotment Management Plans for 11 allotments around Roosevelt Lake. * * * This funding should be utilized for the construction of range management fencing and water development which should provide for management designed to meet vegetative objectives and provide appropriate use by livestock so that established objectives could be met." The Armer Mountain, A Cross, Poison Springs, and Sierra Ancha Allotments were listed as part of those 11 allotments. An environmental assessment was prepared in December, 1995 for the Eastern Roosevelt Lake Watershed Analysis Area. Based on that assessment, it was determined that additional analyses for this project were required, and that an environmental impact statement would be prepared.

The draft EIS is expected to be filed with the EPA and to be available for public review by July, 1996. At that time, copies of the draft EIS will be distributed to interested and affected agencies, organizations, and members of the public for review and comment. The EPA will publish a Notice of Availability of the draft EIS in the Federal Register. The comment period on the EIS will be 45 days from the date the EPA publishes the Notice of Availability. It is very important that those interested in this proposed action

participate at that time. To be most helpful, comments on the draft EIS should be as specific as possible and may address the adequacy of the statement or the merits of the alternatives discussed (see The Council on Environmental Quality Regulations for implementing the procedural provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act at 40 CFR 1503.3).

In addition, Federal court decisions have established that reviewers of a draft EIS 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. versus NRDC*, 435 U.S. 519, 553 (1978). Environmental objections that could have been raised at the draft stage may be waived if not raised until after completion of the final EIS. *City of Angoon versus Hodel*, (9th Circuit, 1986) and *Wisconsin Heritages, Inc. versus Harris*, 490 F. Supp. 1334, 1338 (E.D. Wis. 1980). The reason for this is to ensure 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 EIS.

The final EIS is scheduled to be completed by October, 1996. In the final EIS, the Forest Service is required to respond to comments received during the comment period. The responsible official will consider the comments, responses, environmental consequences disclosed in the final EIS, and applicable laws, regulations, and policies in making a decision regarding this proposal. He will document the decision and reasons for the decision in the Record of Decision. The Record of Decision will be prepared and filed with the final EIS. That decision will be subject to Forest Service appeal regulations (36 CFR 217).

Dated: April 12, 1996.
Robert Dunblazier,
Group Leader for Social Resources.
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COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS

Agenda and Notice of Public Meeting of the Missouri Advisory Committee

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the provisions of the rules and regulations of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, that a meeting of the Missouri Advisory Committee to the Commission will convene at 6:00 p.m.

and adjourn at 8:30 p.m. on May 30, 1996, at the Hyatt Regency Hotel, 2345 McGee Street, Kansas City, Missouri 64108. The purpose of the meeting is to plan future projects and hold orientation for new members.

Persons desiring additional information, or planning a presentation to the Committee, should contact Melvin L. Jenkins, Director of the Central Regional Office, 913-551-1400 (TDD 913-551-1414). Hearing-impaired persons who will attend the meeting and require the services of a sign language interpreter should contact the Regional Office at least five (5) working days before the scheduled date of the meeting.

The meeting will be conducted pursuant to the provisions of the rules and regulations of the Commission.

Dated at Washington, DC, April 17, 1996.
Carol-Lee Hurley,
Chief, Regional Programs Coordination Unit.
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Agenda and Notice of Public Meeting of the North Dakota Advisory Committee

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the provisions of the rules and regulations of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, that a meeting of the North Dakota Advisory Committee to the Commission will convene at 9:00 a.m. and adjourn at 9:00 p.m. on May 16, 1996, at the Holiday Inn, 605 E. Broadway, Bismarck, North Dakota 58501. The purpose of the meeting is to receive information on civil rights enforcement in North Dakota.

Persons desiring additional information, or planning a presentation to the Committee, should contact Committee Chairperson Betty Mills, 701-223-4643, or John Dulles, Director of the Rocky Mountain Regional Office, 303-866-1400 (TDD 303-866-1049). Hearing-impaired persons who will attend the meeting and require the services of a sign language interpreter should contact the Regional Office at least five (5) working days before the scheduled date of the meeting.

The meeting will be conducted pursuant to the provisions of the rules and regulations of the Commission.

Dated at Washington, DC, April 17, 1996.
Carol-Lee Hurley,
Chief, Regional Programs Coordination Unit.
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