

returned to USDA within 5 working days of its receipt, to expedite the clearance process that is required before selection by the Secretary of Agriculture.

Equal opportunity practices will be followed in all appointments to the Commission in accordance with USDA policies. To ensure that the recommendations of the Commission have taken into account the needs of the diverse groups served by the Department, membership shall include, to the extent practicable, individuals with demonstrated ability to represent minorities, women, and persons with disabilities.

Signed at Washington, DC, on January 6, 1999.

Parks Shackelford,

Acting Administrator, Farm Service Agency.
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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Cascade Point Access Road EIS (R10-MB-368) Record of Decision, USDA Forest Service, Tongass National Forest, Juneau Ranger District

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The USDA Forest Service, Tongass National Forest, Juneau Ranger District, has re-issued the Record of Decision for the Cascade Point Access Road Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS). Based on the analysis in the Final Environmental Impact Statement, John Sherrod, Acting Chatham Area Assistant Forest Supervisor, selected Alternative B—the Proposed Action, which authorizes issuance of a road easement to Goldbelt, Inc., with the following modifications:

1. Signs will be posted along the access road delineating National Forest System land from private land.
2. The access road will be open to public vehicular traffic upon completion of certain facilities at Cascade Point and when development activities do not create hazards to public safety.
3. A parking turnout will be constructed adjacent to the road on National Forest System land where public land extends to the beach.
4. A qualified archaeologist will be on-site during ground disturbing activities associated with construction to actively monitor for cultural resources.

The previous Record of Decision was signed on March 10, 1998 and

subsequently withdrawn on July 13, 1998 pending review of documentation supporting the decision.

DATES: Implementation of decisions subject to appeal pursuant to 36 CFR part 215, may occur on, but not before, five (5) business days from the close of the appeal filing period. The appeal filing period for this decision closes 45 days after publication of legal notice of the decision in the Juneau Empire newspaper published in Juneau, Alaska. The legal notice is expected to be published in the Juneau Empire on January 8, 1999.

ADDRESS: This decision is subject to administrative review (appeal) pursuant to 36 CFR Part 215. A written notice of appeal must be filed with the Appeal Deciding Officer: James Caplan, Acting Regional Forester, Regional Office, P.O. Box 21628, Juneau, AK 99802.

For further information or a copy of the Cascade Point Access Road Record of Decision or Final Environmental Impact Statement contact: Jennette de Leeuw, USDA Forest Service, Juneau Ranger District, 8465 Old Dairy Road, Juneau, AK 99801, (907) 790-7445; email jdeleew/r10@fs.fed.us.

Dated: December 29, 1998.

John C. Sherrod,

Acting Assistant Forest Supervisor.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

John Day/Snake Resource Advisory Council, Hells Canyon Subgroup

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Hells Canyon Subgroup of the John Day/Snake Resource Advisory Council will meet on February 5 and 6, 1999 at the Nez Perce Tribal Offices located in Lapwai, Idaho.

The meeting will begin at 9:00 a.m. and continue until 5:00 p.m. the first day and will begin at 7:30 a.m. and continue until 12:00 p.m. on the second day. Agenda items to be covered include: (1) Consensus Process; (2) Conflict of Interest discussion; (3) Budget; (4) Endangered Species Act; (5) tour of the Clarkston facility; (6) Quorum resolution; (7) Treaty Rights; (8) Open public forum. All meetings are open to the public. Public comments will be received at 1:00 p.m. on February 5.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Direct questions regarding this meeting

to Kendall Clark, Area Ranger, USDA, Hells Canyon National Recreation Area, 88401 Highway 82, Enterprise, OR 97828, 541-426-5501.

Dated: January 4, 1999.

Kendall Clark,

Area Ranger.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Klamath Provincial Advisory Committee (PAC); Meeting

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Klamath Provincial Advisory Committee will meet on January 14-15, 1999, at the Miner's Inn Convention Center, 122 East Miner, Yreka, California. On Thursday, January 14, the PAC will meet from 9:00 a.m. to 4:45 p.m. On Friday, January 15, the meeting will start at 8:00 a.m. and adjourn at 12:15 p.m. Agenda items for the meeting include: (1) Timber Sale Project Decision-making Process; (2) January 1997 Storm Damage Report/Update; (3) Fuels Analysis Update; (4) Subcommittee Reports; and (5) Public Comment Periods. All PAC meetings are open to the public. Interested citizens are encouraged to attend.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Connie Hendryx, USDA, Klamath National Forest, 1312 Fairlane Road, Yreka, California 96097; telephone 530-841-4468 (voice), TDD 530-841-4573.

Dated: January 5, 1999.

Jan Ford,

Klamath PAC Support Staff.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Natural Resources Conservation Service

Notice of Availability of Record of Decision for the Double Creek Watershed Project in Washington and Osage Counties, Oklahoma

AGENCY: Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) in Oklahoma. U.S. Department of Agriculture.

ACTION: Notice of Availability of Record of Decision.

SUMMARY: Ronnie L. Clark, responsible Federal official for projects

administered under the provisions of Pub. L. 83-566, 16 U.S.C. 1001-1008, in the State of Oklahoma, is hereby providing notification that a record of decision to proceed with the installation of the Double Creek Watershed project is available. Single copies of this record of decision may be obtained from Bob Tillman, Geologist, Water Resources Section, Natural Resources Conservation Service, 100 USDA, Suite 203, Stillwater, Oklahoma, 74074, telephone (405) 742-1223.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This activity is listed in the Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance under No. 10.904, Watershed Protection and Flood Prevention, and is subject to the provisions of Executive Order 12372, which requires intergovernmental consultation with State and local officials.

Dated: December 1, 1998.

Ronnie L. Clark,

State Conservationist, Oklahoma.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Natural Resources Conservation Service

Notice of Proposed Changes to Section IV of the Field Office Technical Guide (FOTG) of the Natural Resources Conservation Service in Oklahoma

AGENCY: Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) in Oklahoma, U.S. Department of Agriculture.

ACTION: Notice of availability of a proposed change in Section IV of the FOTG of the NRCS in Oklahoma for review and comment.

SUMMARY: It is the intention of NRCS in Oklahoma to issue a new conservation practice standard in Section IV of the FOTG. The new standard is Alley Cropping (Code 311). This practice may be used in conservation systems that treat highly erodible land.

DATES: Comments will be received for a 30-day period commencing with this date of publication.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Inquire in writing to Keith Vaughan, State Resource Conservationist, Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS), 100 USDA, Suite 203, Stillwater, OK 74074-2655. Copies of these standards will be made available upon written request. You may submit electronic requests and comments to Keith.Vaughan@ok.usda.gov

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Keith Vaughan, 405-742-1240.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 343 of the Federal Agriculture Improvement and Reform Act of 1996 states that revisions made after enactment of the law, to NRCS state technical guides used to carry out highly erodible land and wetland provisions of the law, shall be made available for public review and comment. For the next 30 days, the NRCS in Oklahoma will receive comments relative to the proposed change. Following that period, a determination will be made by the NRCS in Oklahoma regarding disposition of those comments and a final determination of change will be made.

Dated: December 18, 1998.

Ronnie L. Clark,

State Conservationist, Stillwater, Oklahoma

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Institute of Standards and Technology

Notice of Government Owned Invention Available for Licensing

SUMMARY: The inventions listed below are owned in whole or in part by the U.S. Government, as represented by the Department of Commerce. The Department of Commerce's ownership interest in the inventions is available for licensing in accordance with 35 U.S.C. 207 and 37 CFR Part 404 to achieve expeditious commercialization of results of Federally funded research and development.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Technical and licensing information on these inventions may be obtained by writing to: National Institute of Standards and Technology, Office of Technology Partnerships, 100 Bureau Drive, Stop 2200, Gaithersburg, MD 20899-2200; Fax 301-869-2751. Any request for information should include the NIST Docket No. and Title for the relevant invention as indicated below.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: NIST may enter into a Cooperative Research and Development Agreement ("CRADA") with the licensee to perform further research on the invention for purpose of commercialization. The inventions available for licensing are:

NIST Docket Number: 91-029US.

Title: X-ray Moire Microscope.

Abstract: An x-ray microscope having an incident x-ray beam from an x-ray

source, a first crystal element extending at an angle (Beta) across the path of the incident x-ray beam, a second crystal element extending parallel to the first crystal element and in spaced relationship thereto, a sample in spaced relationship to the second crystal element and downstream thereof relative to the incident x-ray beam, the first and second crystal elements being movable relative to each other and to the incident x-ray beam so that the orientation of atoms in the second crystal element do not match the orientation of atoms in the first crystal element to produce a forward incident x-ray beam in the direction of the original beam and a diffracted x-ray beam at an angle relative to the incident x-ray beam, the forward and diffracted beams being directed onto the sample, a forward transmitted detector for receiving the forward transmitted incident x-ray beam and a transmitted diffracted x-ray detector for receiving the diffracted x-ray beam. Aperture elements may be provided in front of the detectors for controlling the forward and diffracted beams incident on the detectors.

NIST Docket Number: 96-023US.

Title: Process for Destroying Halogenated Compounds.

Abstract: This invention is available for licensing only on a non-exclusive basis. A method of destroying Halogenated compounds by a vapor phase chemical reaction using an alkali metal vapor, alkaline earth metal vapor, or a combination of the two, in a heated reactor to produce mineralized or solid products. The production of solid products, such as halide salts and particulate carbon, yields numerous advantages in the collection and disposal of the resulting products. The invention is especially useful for the destruction of chlorofluorocarbons.

Robert E. Hebner,

Acting Deputy Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Institute of Standards and Technology

Announcement of a Partially Closed Meeting of the Manufacturing Extension Partnership National Advisory Board

AGENCY: National Institute of Standards and Technology, Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of partially closed meeting.