

Winter Wheat—(Insured as Winter Wheat), (CBOT)

Alabama, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, and Virginia

Base Price (CBOT)—The August 15 to September 14 pre-harvest year's average daily settlement price for the harvest year's CBOT July soft red winter wheat futures contract rounded to the nearest whole cent. The Base Price will be released as an actuarial document addendum by September 20 of the pre-harvest year.

Harvest Price (CBOT)—The June harvest year's average daily settlement price for the harvest year's CBOT July soft red winter wheat futures contract rounded to the nearest whole cent. The Harvest Price cannot be less than the Base Price minus two dollars (\$2.00), or greater than the Base Price plus two dollars (\$2.00). The Harvest Price will be released as an actuarial document addendum by July 10 of the harvest year.

Winter Wheat—(Insured as Winter Wheat), Kansas City Board of Trade (KCBOT)

Iowa, Montana, Nebraska, South Dakota, and Wyoming

Base Price (KCBOT)—The August 15 to September 14 pre-harvest year's average daily settlement price for the harvest year's KCBOT July hard red winter wheat futures contract rounded to the nearest whole cent. The Base Price will be released as an actuarial document addendum by September 20 of the pre-harvest year.

Harvest Price (KCBOT)—The July 15 to August 14 harvest year's average daily settlement price for the harvest year's KCBOT September hard red winter wheat futures contract rounded to the nearest whole cent. The Harvest Price cannot be less than the Base Price minus two dollars (\$2.00), or greater than the Base Price plus two dollars (\$2.00). The Harvest Price will be released as an actuarial document addendum by August 20 of the harvest year.

Winter Wheat—(Insured as Winter Wheat), (KCBOT)

Arizona, Arkansas, Colorado, Kansas, Missouri, New Mexico, Oklahoma, and Texas

Base Price (KCBOT)—The August 15 to September 14 pre-harvest year's average daily settlement price for the harvest year's KCBOT July hard red winter wheat futures contract rounded to the nearest whole cent. The Base Price will be released as an actuarial document addendum by September 20 of the pre-harvest year.

Harvest Price (KCBOT)—The June harvest year's average daily settlement price for the harvest year's KCBOT July hard red winter wheat futures contract rounded to the nearest whole cent. The Harvest Price cannot be less than the Base Price minus two dollars (\$2.00), or greater than the Base Price plus two dollars (\$2.00). The Harvest Price will be released as an actuarial document addendum by July 10 of the harvest year.

Spring Wheat—(Insured as Spring Wheat in counties with a 3/15 Cancellation Date), Minneapolis Grain Exchange (MGE)

Colorado, Iowa, Minnesota, Montana, North Dakota, South Dakota, Wisconsin, and Wyoming

Base Price (MGE)—The February harvest year's average daily settlement price for the harvest year's MGE September hard red spring wheat futures contract rounded to the nearest whole cent. The Base Price will be released as an actuarial document addendum by March 10 of the harvest year.

Harvest Price (MGE)—The August harvest year's average daily settlement price for the harvest year's MGE September hard red spring wheat futures contract rounded to the nearest whole cent. The Harvest Price cannot be less than the Base Price minus two dollars (\$2.00), or greater than the Base Price plus two dollars (\$2.00). The Harvest Price will be released as an actuarial document addendum by September 10 of the harvest year.

Spring Wheat—(Insured as spring wheat in counties with a 9/30 cancellation date), (KCBOT/MGE)

Colorado, Iowa, Montana, South Dakota and Wyoming

Base Price (KCBOT)—The August 15 to September 14 pre-harvest year's average daily settlement price for the harvest year's KCBOT July hard red winter wheat futures contract rounded to the nearest whole cent. The Base Price will be released as an actuarial document addendum by September 20 of the pre-harvest year.

Harvest Price (MGE)—The August harvest year's average daily settlement price for the harvest year's MGE September hard red spring wheat futures contract rounded to the nearest whole cent. The Harvest Price cannot be less than the Base Price minus two dollars (\$2.00), or greater than the Base Price plus two dollars (\$2.00). The Harvest Price will be released as an actuarial document addendum by September 10 of the harvest year.

Wheat—Portland Grain Exchange (PGE)

California, Idaho, Oregon, Utah, and Washington

Base Price (PGE)—The Portland Price equals the August 15 to September 14 pre-harvest year's average daily settlement price for the harvest year's CBOT September soft red winter wheat futures contract (rounded to the nearest whole cent) plus an adjustment equal to the current five-year average difference between the August average daily settlement price for the nearby CBOT September soft red winter wheat futures contract (rounded to the nearest whole cent) and the August average daily settlement price for the PGE soft white wheat contract (rounded to the nearest whole cent). The Base Price will be released as an actuarial document addendum by September 20 of the pre-harvest year.

Harvest Price (PGE)—The August harvest year's average daily settlement price for the PGE soft white wheat contract rounded to the nearest whole cent. The Harvest Price cannot be less than the Base Price minus two dollars (\$2.00), or greater than the Base Price plus two dollars (\$2.00). The Harvest Price will be

released as an actuarial document addendum by September 10 of the harvest year.

Durum Wheat—(Insured as durum wheat in counties with a 10/31 cancellation date), (MGE)

Arizona and California

Base Price (MGE)—The Southern Durum Price equals the September 15 to October 14 pre-harvest year's average daily settlement price for the harvest year's CBOT September soft red winter wheat futures contract (rounded to the nearest whole cent) plus an adjustment equal to the average of the current year nearby basis, determined during the months of May, June, July and August of the current crop year, and the current five-year average difference between the August average daily settlement price for top milling durum wheat as reported by the MGE (rounded to the nearest whole cent) and the August average daily settlement price for the nearby CBOT September soft red winter wheat futures contract (rounded to the nearest whole cent) not to exceed \$1.00. During the months of May and June the nearby futures contract used to determine the current year nearby basis for top milling durum wheat will be the July contract. During the months of July and August the nearby futures contract used to determine the current year nearby basis for top milling durum wheat will be the September contract. The Base Price will be released as an actuarial document addendum by October 20 of the pre-harvest year.

Harvest Price (MGE)—The August harvest year's average daily settlement price for top milling durum wheat as reported by the MGE rounded to the nearest whole cent. The Harvest Price cannot be less than the Base Price minus two dollars (\$2.00), or greater than the Base Price plus two dollars (\$2.00). The Harvest Price will be released as an actuarial document addendum by September 10 of the harvest year.

All other terms and conditions of the Policy remain unchanged.

Signed in Washington, DC, on June 16, 1999.

Kenneth D. Ackerman,
Manager, Federal Crop Insurance Corporation.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Information Collection; Request for Comments; National Forest Recreation Use

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Forest Service announces its intent to extend a previously approved information collection and add a new component to the collection. The Forest

Service uses the currently approved collection to assess customer satisfaction and agency performance in meeting customer needs. The new collection will enable the Forest Service to estimate the amount and type of recreational use that occurs on National Forest System areas. The revised collection also will help the Forest Service meet the requirements of the Government Performance and Results Act of 1993 and the National Forest Management Act of 1976. Information will be collected from people who visit National Forest System lands for recreational activities.

DATES: Comments must be received in writing on or before August 23, 1999.

ADDRESSES: All comments should be addressed to Donald B.K. English, Research Social Scientist, Forestry Sciences Laboratory, Forest Service, USDA, 320 Green St., Athens, GA 30602, or email: denglish/srs_athe@fs.fed.us.

The public may inspect comments at the offices of Donald English, Research Work Unit SRS-4901, Forest Service, USDA, 320 Green St., Athens, GA.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Donald B.K. English, Southern Research Station, at (706) 559-4268.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

The Government Performance and Results Act of 1993 requires that Federal agencies establish measurable goals and monitor their success at meeting those goals. Two items the Forest Service has agreed to measure are: (1) the views and satisfaction level of recreational visitors to National Forest System lands about the types and quality of recreational services the agency provides; and (2) the number of visitors who come to National Forest System lands for recreational purposes. The agency is often asked for this kind of information from a variety of organizations that include Congressional Staffs, newspapers, magazines, and recreational trade organizations.

The currently approved information collection is designed to evaluate agency performance in meeting the needs of visitors to individual recreational sites, such as the visitor's level of satisfaction and evaluation of the agency's ability to meet the visitor's recreational needs. However, at present, Forest Service personnel are unable to estimate the number of visitors who visit National Forest System lands for recreational purposes. The current information collection is being revised to meet these agency informational needs.

National Forest System land managers will use the collected information to better understand their recreational customers, to improve recreational opportunities and services, and to identify barriers that prevent the agency from meeting the recreational needs of its customers. Data from this information collection also will be considered when revising land and resource management plans for National Forests, as required by the National Forest Management Act of 1976. The collected information will be shared with all National Forest System land managers and, upon request, with others. Results from this collection will be published in agency reports and various research journals.

Description of Information Collection

The following describes the information collection to be extended:

Title: Customer and Use Survey Techniques for Operations, Management, Evaluation, and Research.
OMB Number: 0596-0110.

Expiration Date of Approval: December 31, 1999.

Type of Request: Extension, with revision, of a previously approved information collection.

Abstract: The data from this information collection provides the agency with information about the characteristics, desires, needs, and opinions of recreational visitors to selected recreational sites on National Forest System lands and other public agency lands.

Agency personnel, contract personnel, and volunteers, trained in conducting face-to-face interviews, will contact people who are visiting public lands for recreational purposes. Survey questions will focus on how well the agency meets visitors' expectations for recreational opportunities, their satisfaction with the recreational site of their choice, and if they have concerns regarding the agency's management of the site.

Agency land managers will use the collected information to better understand their recreational customers, to improve recreational opportunities and services, and to identify barriers that prevent the agency from meeting the recreational needs of its customers.

The collected information will be shared with agency land managers and upon request, with others.

Data gathered in this collection is not available from other sources.

Estimate of Burden: 10 minutes.

Type of Respondents: People who visit National Forest System land for recreational purposes.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 9,000.

Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent: 1.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 1,500 hours.

Description of Information Collection

The following describes the new component of a currently information collection to be extended:

Title: National Forest Recreation Use Survey.

OMB Number: 0596-0110.

Expiration Date of Approval: December 31, 1999.

Type of Request: New information collection.

Abstract: Data from this information collection will be used to estimate the numbers of recreational visitors to National Forest System lands, as well as the types of activities in which they participate. The data also will be used to identify recreational markets and to estimate the economic values and impacts of recreational visits.

Respondents will be asked questions about the activities in which they participate while visiting National Forest System lands, the duration of their visit, how often they visit, what types of items they have purchased during their visit, and the State in which they live.

Forest Service personnel will interview visitors as they exit National Forest System land recreational sites. Surveys will be conducted on about one-fourth of the National Forests each year, so that complete coverage of agency lands will occur over a 4-year cycle. Each National Forest will retain a copy of data collected on its visitors. Results of this study will be published in agency reports and various research journals.

Data gathered in this collection is not available from other sources.

Estimate of Burden: 6 minutes.

Type of Respondents: People who visit the National Forest System lands for recreational purposes.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 80,000.

Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent: 1.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 8,000 hours.

Comment Is Invited

The agency invites comments on the following: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the stated purposes and the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical or scientific 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 respondents, including the use of automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Use of Comment

All comments, including name and address when provided, will become a matter of public record. Comments received in response to this notice will be summarized and included in the request for Office of Management and Budget approval.

Dated: June 17, 1999.

Robert Lewis, Jr.,

Deputy Chief for Research & Development.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Swan Flat Proposed Timber Sale; Cache National Forest (Administered by the Caribou National Forest), Bear Lake County, Idaho

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of intent to prepare Environmental Impact Statement.

SUMMARY: The USDA, Forest Service will prepare an Environmental Impact Statement to document the analysis and disclose the environmental impacts of proposed actions to harvest timber, build roads, and regenerate new stands of trees in the Swan Flat area of the Cache National Forest in Bear Lake County, Idaho. The proposed project is located in T.16S., R.42E., Section 23, 24, 25, and T.116S., R. 43E., Section 30, Boise Meridian. Implementing the silvicultural prescriptions under the proposed action will bring these timber stands to a healthy and productive condition. This would result in reduction of insect and disease activity, increased growth on regenerated stands, and provide a more uniform age and size distribution of timber stands.

On July 7, 1997, the Montpelier Ranger District released to the public, the Swan Flat Environmental Assessment for a 30 day predecisional review. After reviewing the responses of the predecisional review, the Montpelier Ranger District determined that an Environmental Impact Statement

would be needed to address entering the Swan Creek Mountain Roadless Area.

The Montpelier Ranger District of the Caribou National Forest proposes to harvest an estimated 1.5 million board feet of commercial timber in 13 stands on 291 acres. A total of 5 acres would be clear cut. The remaining stands would be partially cut using thinning, sanitation /salvage, group seed tree, shelterwood and improvement cut. All stands would be tractor logged. Approximately 1.3 miles of the Swan Flat Road from the junction of U.S. Highway 89 in Logan Canyon would be graveled. Approximately 1.5 miles of the Swan Flat Road from the junction of the Red Sinks Road would be realigned to enhance log hauling. Four hundred feet of the Swan Flat Road from the Red Sinks Road junction would be spot graveled. Approximately 0.5 miles of road construction would be needed within the area designated as located by the Caribou National Forest Lane and Resource Management Plan. All newly constructed roads within the goaded area would be obligated at the completion of the logging operation. Eight of the proposed cutting units are located in the Swan Creek Mountain Roadless Area. These cutting units are located on the fringe of the roadless area and adjacent to the existing Swan Flat Road and Red Sinks Road. Timber would be skidded to these existing roads. There would be no road construction in the Swan Creek Mountain Inventoried Road less Area.

The following preliminary issues have been identified:

- Regeneration cutting in deer and elk travel routes would compromise security cover.
- Eight of the proposed cutting units are located in the Swan Creek Mountain Roadless Area. Harvest activities would affect roadless characteristics.
- Regenerations cutting could effect the quality of winter recreational activities for cross-country skiers now and in the future.

The following alternatives have been developed:

Alternative 1 is the no action alternative.

Alternative 2 is the proposal. Under this alternative an estimated 1.5 million board feet of sawtimber would be removed from 265 acres.

Alternative 3 would address the winter recreation concerns. Under this alternative 1.1 million board feet of sawtimber would be removed from 307 areas.

Alternative 4 would address the concerns about wildlife corridors. Under this proposal 1.5 million board

feet of sawtimber would be removed from 291 acres.

This proposed sale is scheduled to be offered in 2001. For maps of the proposed project area, please contact the Montpelier Range District, 322 North 4th Street, Montpelier, Idaho 83254.

DATES: Written comments concerning the scope of the analysis described in this Notice should be received on or before July 23, 1999. No scoping meetings are planned at this time. Information received will be used in preparation of the draft EIS and final EIS.

ADDRESSES: Send written comments to Caribou National Forest, Montpelier Ranger District, 322 North 4th Street, Montpelier, Idaho 83254.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION: Questions concerning the proposed action and EIS should be directed to Eric Mattson, Caribou National Forest, Montpelier Ranger District, 322 N. 4th Street, Montpelier, Idaho 83254 (Telephone: (208) 847-0375).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Forest Service is seeking information and comments from Federal, State, and local agencies, as well as individuals and organizations who may be interested in, or affected by the proposed action. The Forest Service invites written comments and suggestions on the issues related to the proposal and the area being analyzed.

The responsible official is Jerry B. Reese, Supervisor, Caribou National Forest, 250 South Fourth Avenue, Pocatello, Idaho 83254.

The decision to be made is: Whether the proposed stands shall be brought under management (i.e. change from the management of natural succession to management activities that would achieve multiple-use goals) by cutting the sawtimber in each stand? If so, what cutting methods should be applied to each stand and what mitigation may be necessary?

The tentative date for filing the Draft EIS is October 1, 1999. The tentative date for filing the final EIS is January 5, 2000. The comment period on the draft environmental impact statement will be open for 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 viewers 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