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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Dietary Guidelines Advisory Committee

The eleven-member Committee appointed by the Secretaries of the two Departments is chaired by Cutberto Garza, M.D., Ph.D., Cornell University, Ithaca, New York. Other members are Richard J. Deckelbaum, M.D., Columbia University, New York, New York; Johanna T. Dwyer, D.Sc., R.D., Tufts University, Boston, Massachusetts; Scott M. Grundy, M.D., Ph.D., University of Texas, Dallas, Texas; Rachel K. Johnson, Ph.D., R.D., University of Vermont, Burlington, Vermont; Shiriki K. Kumanyika, Ph.D., M.P.H., R.D., University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; Alice H. Lichtenstein, D.Sc., Tufts University, Boston, Massachusetts; Suzanne P. Murphy, Ph.D., R.D., University of Hawaii, Honolulu, Hawaii; Meir J. Stampfer, M.D., Dr.P.H., Harvard School of Public Health, Boston, Massachusetts; Lesley Fels Tinker, Ph.D., R.D., Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center, Seattle, Washington; and Roland L. Weinsier, M.D., Dr.P.H., University of Alabama at Birmingham, Birmingham, Alabama.

Announcement of Meeting

The Committee's fourth meeting will be September 7-9, 1999 from 8:45 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. on the first day, from 8:45 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. on the second day, and from 8:45 a.m. to 5 p.m. on the third day. The meeting is open to the public. However, space is limited for all sessions. Please call Shanthy Bowman at (301) 734-5640 by 5 p.m. d.s.t. August 18, 1999, should you require a sign language interpreter.

Location of Meeting

The meeting will be held at the Waugh Auditorium located on the third floor of USDA's Economic Research Service, 1800 M Street NW, Washington DC, one block from Farragut North metro station and three blocks from the Farragut West metro station. Parking is available at local garages. Entry to the building is through the South Lobby Tower. The agenda will include (a) discussion of drafts prepared by members and (b) formulation of plans for future work of the Committee.

Written Comment

By this notice, the Committee is soliciting submission of written comments, views, information and data pertinent to review of the Dietary Guidelines for Americans. Written comments will be accepted throughout the process. To be considered for the fourth meeting, comments should be submitted by 5 p.m. d.s.t. August 18, 1999. Comments should be sent to Shanthy Bowman Ph.D., at Department of Agriculture, Agricultural Research Service, Nutrient Data Laboratory, 4700 River Road, Unit 89, Room 6D61, Riverdale, MD 20737.

Dated: July 27, 1999.

Edward Knipling,

Associate Administrator, Agricultural Research Service, Department of Agriculture.

Rajen Anand,

Executive Director, Center for Nutrition Policy and Promotion, Department of Agriculture.

Linda Meyers,

Acting Director, Office of Disease Prevention and Health Promotion, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

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ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Ten special import quotas for upland cotton equal are established in accordance with section 136(b) of the Federal Agriculture Improvement and Reform Act of 1996 (the 1996 Act) under Presidential Proclamation 6301 of June 7, 1991, and Presidential Proclamation 6948 of October 29, 1996. The quotas are referenced as the Commodity Credit Corporation Special Cotton Import Quota Announcement Numbers 11 through 20 and are set forth in subheadings 9903.52.11 through 9903.52.20, subchapter III, chapter 99 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTS).

DATES: Each of the special quotas is subject to an established date and applies to upland cotton purchased not later than 90 days from the established date and entered into the United States not later than 180 days from the established date. Dates applicable to each individual special import quota are contained in this notice under **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION.**

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Gene S. Rosera, Farm Service Agency, United States Department of Agriculture, STOP 0518, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20013-0518 or call (202) 720-3452.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The 1996 Act requires that a special import quota for upland cotton be determined and announced immediately if, for any consecutive 10-week period, the Friday through Thursday average price quotation for the lowest-priced U.S. growth, as quoted for Middling 1³/₃₂ inch cotton, C.I.F. northern Europe (U.S. Northern Europe price), adjusted for the value of any cotton user marketing certificates issued, exceeds the Northern Europe price by more than 3.00 cents per pound. This condition was met for 10 consecutive 10-week periods. Therefore, quotas referenced as Special Cotton Import Quota Announcement Numbers 11 through 20 are established subject to the following dates and quantities.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Commodity Credit Corporation

Special Cotton Import Quota Announcements Numbers 11 Through 20

AGENCY: Commodity Credit Corporation, USDA.

| Secretary of Agriculture's Cotton Import Quota Announcement | HTS sub-heading | News release date | Quota start date | 90-Day purchase date | 180-Day import date | Quota amount (kilograms) | 3-Month consumption base period |
|---|-----------------|-------------------|------------------|----------------------|---------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Number 11 | 9903.52.11 | 5/06/99 | 5/13/99 | 8/10/99 | 11/08/99 | 43,005,726 | January-March 1999. |
| Number 12 | 9903.52.12 | 5/13/99 | 5/20/99 | 8/17/99 | 11/15/99 | 43,005,726 | January-March 1999. |
| Number 13 | 9903.52.13 | 5/20/99 | 5/27/99 | 8/24/99 | 11/22/99 | 43,005,726 | January-March 1999. |
| Number 14 | 9903.52.14 | 5/27/99 | 6/03/99 | 8/31/99 | 11/29/99 | 42,690,963 | February-April 1999. |

| Secretary of Agriculture's Cotton Import Quota Announcement | HTS sub-heading | News release date | Quota start date | 90-Day purchase date | 180-Day import date | Quota amount (kilograms) | 3-Month consumption base period |
|---|-----------------|-------------------|------------------|----------------------|---------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Number 15 | 9903.52.15 | 6/03/99 | 6/10/99 | 9/07/99 | 12/06/99 | 42,690,963 | February–April 1999. |
| Number 16 | 9903.52.16 | 6/10/99 | 6/17/99 | 9/14/99 | 12/13/99 | 42,690,963 | February–April 1999. |
| Number 17 | 9903.52.17 | 6/17/99 | 6/24/99 | 9/21/99 | 12/20/99 | 42,690,963 | February–April 1999. |
| Number 18 | 9903.52.18 | 6/24/99 | 7/1/99 | 9/28/99 | 12/27/99 | 42,388,357 | March–May 1999. |
| Number 19 | 9903.52.19 | 7/1/99 | 7/8/99 | 10/5/99 | 1/3/00 | 42,388,357 | March–May 1999. |
| Number 20 | 9903.52.20 | 7/8/99 | 7/15/99 | 10/12/99 | 1/10/004 | 42,388,357 | March–May 1999. |

Each special import quota identifies a quantity of imports that is not subject to the over-quota tariff rate of a tariff-rate quota. The quota is not divided by staple length or by country of origin. The quota does not affect existing tariff rates or phytosanitary regulations. The quota does not apply to extra long staple cotton.

Authority: Sec. 136, P.L. 104–127 and U.S. Note 6(a), Subchapter III, Chapter 99 of the HTS.

Signed at Washington, D.C., on July 26, 1999.

Keith Kelly,

Executive Vice President, Commodity Credit Corporation.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Mining Activities on Piru Creek, Los Padres National Forest, Ventura County, CA; Intent To Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement

The Department of Agriculture, Forest Service is preparing an environmental impact statement (EIS) for approval of proposed Plans of Operation for mining activities along Piru Creek from Lockwood Flat to Pyramid Lake on the Mount Pinos Ranger District. Management emphases in the Los Padres National Forest Land Resources Management Plan (1988) are to improve water quality, vegetative diversity, and to protect property and cultural resources. Management emphasis for the project area is to manage as a potential Wild and Scenic River candidate.

Potential resource issues which may affect alternative development include the presence of riparian-dependent sensitive amphibians and reptiles; the presence of an amphibian species which is listed as endangered; sensitive heritage resources; water quality; conflicts in recreational uses of Piru Creek; inclusion of Piru Creek into the

Wild and Scenic River System; maintaining biodiversity; and protecting the sensitive riparian ecosystem.

The California Department of Fish and Game and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service are invited to participate as cooperative agencies to evaluate potential impacts on threatened and endangered species habitat. Representatives from the Army Corps of Engineers and the Regional Water Quality Control Board are invited to participate in resolving issues that deal with water quality. Federal, State, and local agencies, as well as industry; and other individual and organizations who may be interested in or affected by the decision, were invited to participate in the scoping process that was initiated during the fall of 1993 and completed in the spring of 1994. This process included:

1. Identification of potential issues and/or concerns.
2. Identification of issues to be identified in depth.
3. Identification of issues which may be eliminated from further analysis.

The draft EIS is expected to be filed with the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and available for public review and comment by October of 1999. EPA will publish a notice of availability for the draft EIS in the **Federal Register**. The comment period will be 45 days from the date of the EPA's published notice of availability. All persons interested in the proposed project are urged to participate at that time. Comments on the draft EIS should be as specific as possible and may address the adequacy of the EIS or the merits of the alternatives considered. In addition, Federal court decisions have established that reviewers of a draft EIS must structure their participation in the environmental review so that it is meaningful and alerts an agency to the reviewer's positions and contentions. Environmental objections that could have been raised at the draft EIS review stage may be waived if not raised until after completion of the final EIS. The reason for this is to ensure that

substantive comments and objections are made available to the Forest Service in a timely manner so that the agency can respond to them in the final EIS.

The final EIS is scheduled to be completed by April, 2000. In the final EIS, the Forest Service is required to respond to comments received from the public and consulted agencies. The responsible official will consider the comments, responses, laws, regulations and policies in making a decision regarding these project proposals. The responsible official will document the decision and reasons for the decision in the Record of Decision. The decision will be subject to appeal.

Jeanine Derby, Forest Supervisor, Los Padres National Forest, Goleta, CA, is the responsible official. Written comments, questions, and suggestions concerning the analysis should be sent to Mark Bethke, District Ranger, Mount Pinos Ranger District, 34580 Lockwood Valley road, Frazier Park, California 93225, (phone 661–245–3731).

Dated: June 25, 1999.

Jeanine A. Derby,

Forest Supervisor.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Sierra Nevada Forest Plan Amendment Environmental Impact Statement

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of additional public meetings related to the Sierra Nevada Forest Plan Amendment Environmental Impact Statement each month, September through December 1999.

SUMMARY: The Department of Agriculture, Forest Service, Regions 4 and 5 announce additional public meetings at the Sacramento, California office of the Sierra Nevada Framework Project on the first Wednesday of each month, September through December,