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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

National Institute of Food and Agriculture

Notice of Stakeholder Listening Session Regarding Science Priorities

AGENCY: National Institute of Food and Agriculture, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of Stakeholder Listening Session.

SUMMARY: USDA National Institute of Food and Agriculture announces its stakeholder listening initiative “NIFA Listening Session for Stakeholder Input to Science Priorities.” This stakeholder listening opportunity informs the research, extension and education priorities of NIFA, which has the mission of investing in and advancing agricultural research, education and extension to solve societal challenges. For the purpose of this opportunity, *Agriculture* is defined broadly and includes research, extension, and education in food, fiber, forestry, range, nutritional and social sciences, including food safety and positive youth development. NIFA’s investments in transformative science directly support the long-term prosperity and global pre-eminence of U.S. agriculture.

This effort to obtain input regarding the challenges, needed breakthroughs, and priorities will be carried out through online and virtual submission mechanisms. Stakeholder input received from the two mechanisms is treated equally.

DATES:

Online Input: Submission of online stakeholder input to the target questions will be open upon publishing of this Notice through 5 p.m. Eastern time November 30, 2022.

Virtual Listening Sessions: A full-day listening session will be organized to obtain virtual input from stakeholders throughout the United States, including small institutions, local businesses, and

other stakeholder groups. The listening session will take place on November 2, 2022. The session will begin at 8:30 a.m. and is scheduled to end no later than 7 p.m. Eastern Time. The session will include a presentation of the goals and background information on NIFA programs, followed by comments from stakeholders. Each registered speaker will receive 5 minutes to share their comments with the Agency. If time allows after all comments from registered speakers are made, unscheduled speakers will be allowed 5 minutes to present their comments to the Agency. The length of the sessions will be adjusted according to numbers of participants seeking to provide input.

Registration: All parties interested in attending the virtual listening session must RSVP no later than one week prior to the scheduled session. The virtual listening session will be webcast and transcribed. Information about registering for the virtual session, providing written comments and viewing the webcast can be found at <https://www.nifa.usda.gov/nifalistsens>. This website includes instructions on submitting written comments and registering to attend or speak at the virtual listening session. The number of oral commenters is limited due to time and space constraints (see below). Oral commenter slots will be allotted on a first-come, first-served basis. All interested stakeholders, regardless of attendance, are welcome to submit written comments. All parties interested in attending the virtual listening session must RSVP no later than one week prior to the scheduled session they will attend. Abstracts from in-person speakers can be submitted upon registration via <https://nifa.usda.gov/nifalistsens>.

If you need a reasonable accommodation to register for, or participate in, this event, please contact Jessica Creighton, Acting Director of Equal Opportunity and Civil Rights, at Jessica.creighton@usda.gov, or 816-266-6947 no later than October 20, 2022. Language access services, such as interpretation or translation of vital information, will be provided free of charge to individuals with limited English proficiency upon request.

ADDRESSES: The virtual listening session Zoom link is shared upon registration for November 2, 2022. All parties interested in attending the virtual listening session

must RSVP no later than one week prior to the scheduled session.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Amanda Sahinovic, Financial Policy Specialist, National Institute of Food and Agriculture, U.S. Department of Agriculture; Email: Amanda.Sahinovic@usda.gov; Telephone: (816) 527-5379.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The science priority-setting process at NIFA involves soliciting stakeholder input on agricultural research, education and extension needs, obtaining input from NIFA’s science staff who are informed through interactions with scientific communities, and evaluating existing programs to identify critical gaps in the current portfolio of programs in order to address challenges in U.S. agriculture.

This listening effort will allow stakeholders to provide feedback on the following questions:

- What is your top priority for research, extension or education for NIFA?
 - What are the most promising opportunities/solutions for advancement of these food and agricultural priorities?
 - What are the greatest challenges that you see facing food and agriculture in the coming decades, and what fundamental knowledge gaps exist that limit the ability of research, extension, and education to respond to these challenges?
 - Based on those challenges, what general areas of food and agricultural research should be advanced and supported to fill the knowledge gaps, and what is your top priority for research, extension, and/or education for NIFA investment?
 - How accessible do you find information about NIFA programs and activities to be?
 - What can NIFA do to make information and resources more accessible?
 - What is NIFA doing right and are there opportunities to improve?
- NIFA welcomes stakeholder input from any group or individual interested in agricultural research, extension or education priorities for NIFA.

NIFA is eager to listen to stakeholder’s comments on the challenges, needed breakthroughs, and priorities, solutions and opportunities that will facilitate long-term sustainable agricultural production, research, education and extension. *Agriculture in*

this context is defined broadly and includes research, extension, and education in food, fiber, forestry, range, nutritional and social sciences, including food safety and positive youth development. This listening effort will focus on the agricultural science that NIFA invests in, but not primarily on NIFA processes or procedures.

Implementation Plans

Written comments by all interested stakeholders are welcomed through 5 p.m. Eastern time, November 30, 2022. All input will become a part of the official record and available on the NIFA website, <https://nifa.usda.gov/nifalistsens>.

Stakeholder input received from the two mechanisms is treated equally. The challenges, needed breakthroughs, and priorities identified by this effort will be evaluated in conjunction with input from NIFA staff. This information will be critical for NIFA's evaluation of existing science emphasis areas and to identify investment opportunities and gaps in the current portfolio of programs. The information obtained through this iterative analysis and synthesis will help ensure the strategic positioning and relevancy of NIFA's investments in advancing agricultural research, education and extension.

Done at Washington, DC, this day of September 9, 2022.

Dionne Toombs,

Acting Director, National Institute of Food and Agriculture, U.S. Department of Agriculture.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Economic Development Administration

Notice of National Advisory Council on Innovation and Entrepreneurship Meeting

AGENCY: Economic Development Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of an open meeting.

SUMMARY: The National Advisory Council on Innovation and Entrepreneurship (NACIE) will hold a public meeting on Thursday, October 6, 2022. U.S. Secretary of Commerce Gina M. Raimondo has appointed a new cohort of 33 members to NACIE, and this will be this cohort's second meeting. NACIE will continue to consider the development of a national entrepreneurship strategy, an overview of Federal support for technology

innovation and entrepreneurship, and an exploration of critical emerging technologies, and the regional technology and innovation hubs program recently enacted by Congress.

DATES: Thursday, October 6, 2022, 9 a.m.–4 p.m. ET.

ADDRESSES: Herbert Clark Hoover Building (HCHB), 1401 Constitution Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20230. The main entrance to HCHB is located on the west side of 14th St. NW between D St. NW and Constitution Ave. NW, and a valid government-issued ID is required to enter the building. Visitors to HCHB must comply with and adhere to the Department of Commerce's COVID-19 policies and protocols in effect at the time of the meeting, which can be found at the Department's COVID-19 Information Hub at <https://www.commerce.gov/covid-19-information-hub>. Please note that pre-clearance is required both to attend the meeting in person and to make a statement during the public comment portion of the meeting. Please limit comments to five minutes or less and submit a brief statement summarizing your comments to Eric Smith (see contact information below) no later than 11:59 p.m. ET on Wednesday, September 28, 2022. Teleconference or web conference connection information will be published prior to the meeting along with the agenda on the NACIE website at <https://www.eda.gov/oie/nacie/>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Eric Smith, Office of Innovation and Entrepreneurship, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW, Room 78018, Washington, DC 20230; email: nacie@doc.gov; telephone: +1 202 482 8001. Please reference "NACIE October 2022 Meeting" in the subject line of your correspondence.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: NACIE, established pursuant to section 25(c) of the Stevenson-Wydler Technology Innovation Act of 1980, as amended (15 U.S.C. 3720(c)), and managed by EDA's Office of Innovation and Entrepreneurship, is a Federal Advisory Committee Act committee that provides advice directly to the Secretary of Commerce.

NACIE will be charged with developing a national entrepreneurship strategy that strengthens America's ability to compete and win as the world's leading startup nation and as the world's leading innovator in critical emerging technologies. NACIE is also charged with identifying and recommending solutions to drive the innovation economy, including growing a skilled STEM workforce and removing

barriers for entrepreneurs ushering innovative technologies into the market. The council also facilitates federal dialogue with the innovation, entrepreneurship, and workforce development communities. Throughout its history, NACIE has presented recommendations to the Secretary of Commerce along the research-to-jobs continuum, such as increasing access to capital, growing and connecting entrepreneurial communities, fostering small business-driven research and development, supporting the commercialization of key technologies, and developing the workforce of the future.

The final agenda for the meeting will be posted on the NACIE website at <http://www.eda.gov/oie/nacie/> prior to the meeting. Any member of the public may submit pertinent questions and comments concerning NACIE's affairs at any time before or after the meeting. Comments may be submitted to Eric Smith (see contact information above). Those unable to attend the meetings in person but wishing to listen to the proceedings can do so via teleconference or web conference (see above). Copies of the meeting minutes will be available by request within 90 days of the meeting date.

Dated: September 13, 2022.

Eric Smith,

Director, Office of Innovation and Entrepreneurship.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board

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Foreign-Trade Zone (FTZ) 7—Mayaguez, Puerto Rico; Authorization of Production Activity; AbbVie Ltd. (Pharmaceutical Products), Barceloneta, Puerto Rico

On May 13, 2022, AbbVie Ltd., submitted a notification of proposed production activity to the FTZ Board for its facility within Subzone 7I, in Barceloneta, Puerto Rico.

The notification was processed in accordance with the regulations of the FTZ Board (15 CFR part 400), including notice in the **Federal Register** inviting public comment (87 FR 30448, May 19, 2022). On September 12, 2022, the applicant was notified of the FTZ Board's decision that no further review of the activity is warranted at this time. The production activity described in the notification was authorized, subject to