

# Notices

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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Forest Service

#### Boundary Establishment for East Branch of the Tahquamenon National Wild and Scenic River, Hiawatha National Forest, Chippewa County, Michigan

**AGENCY:** Forest Service, Agriculture (USDA).

**ACTION:** Notice of availability.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with Section 3(b) of the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act, the USDA Forest Service, Washington Office, is transmitting the final boundary of East Branch of the Tahquamenon National Wild and Scenic River to Congress. The East Branch of the Tahquamenon Wild and Scenic River boundary description is available for review at: <https://www.fs.usda.gov/activity/hiawatha/recreation/wateractivities>.

**ADDRESSES:** The Tahquamenon Wild and Scenic River boundary is available for review at the website listed under **SUMMARY**, to view the documents in person, arrangements should be made in advance by contacting the offices listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Information may be obtained by contacting Elizabeth Schleif, Regional Land Surveyor, by telephone at 404-297-3886 or via email at [elizabeth.schleif@usda.gov](mailto:elizabeth.schleif@usda.gov).

Alternatively, contact Jordan Ketola on the Hiawatha National Forest at 906-428-5825 or [jordan.ketola@usda.gov](mailto:jordan.ketola@usda.gov). Individuals who use Telecommunication devices for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 800-877-8339 between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m., Eastern Standard Time, Monday through Friday.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The East Branch of the Tahquamenon Wild and Scenic River boundary is available for

review on the website listed under summary. Or in person at the following offices, if arrangements are made in advance: USDA Forest Service, Yates Building, 14th and Independence Avenues SW, Washington, DC 20024, phone—800-832-1355; Eastern Region Regional Office, 626 E. Wisconsin Ave., Milwaukee, WI 53202, phone—414-297-3600; and Hiawatha National Forest Supervisor's Office, 820 Rains Drive, Gladstone, MI 49837, phone—906-428-5800. Please contact the appropriate office prior to arrival.

Persons with disabilities who require alternative means of communication for program information (e.g., Braille, large print, audiotope, American Sign Language, etc.) should contact the responsible Agency or USDA's TARGET Center at 202-720-2600 (voice and TTY) or contact USDA through the Federal Relay Service at 800-877-8339. Additionally, program information may be made available in languages other than English.

The Michigan Scenic Rivers Act of 1991 (Pub. L. 102-249) of March 3, 1992, designated East Branch of the Tahquamenon, Michigan as a National Wild and Scenic River, to be administered by the Secretary of Agriculture. As specified by law, the boundary will not be effective until ninety days after Congress receives the transmittal.

Dated: November 22, 2022.

#### Troy Heithecker,

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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Forest Service

#### Alabama Resource Advisory Committee

**AGENCY:** Forest Service, USDA.

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Alabama Resource Advisory Committee (RAC) will hold a public meeting according to the details shown below. The committee is authorized under the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act (the Act) and operates in compliance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA). The

purpose of the committee is to improve collaborative relationships and to provide advice and recommendations to the Forest Service concerning projects and funding consistent with Title II of the Act, as well as make recommendations on recreation fee proposals for sites on the National Forests in Alabama, consistent with the Federal Lands Recreation Enhancement Act. General information and meeting details can be found at the following website: <https://www.fs.usda.gov/main/alabama/workingtogether/advisorycommittees>.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held on January 11, 2023, 9-12 p.m., Central Standard Time. All RAC meetings are subject to cancellation. For status of the meeting prior to attendance, please contact the person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

**ADDRESSES:** This meeting is open to the public and will be held at the National Forests in Alabama Supervisor's Office, located at 2946 Chestnut Street, Montgomery, Alabama 36107. The public may also join virtually via telephone and/or video conference. Virtual meeting participation details can be found on the website listed under *Summary* or by contacting the person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

Written comments may be submitted as described under **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**. All comments, including names and addresses when provided, are placed in the record and are available for public inspection and copying. The public may inspect comments received upon request.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Tammy Freeman Brown, Designated Federal Officer (DFO), by phone at 334-315-4926 or email at [tammy.freemanbrown@usda.gov](mailto:tammy.freemanbrown@usda.gov); or Dawn Suiter, RAC Coordinator at 334-224-5336 or email at [dawn.suiter@usda.gov](mailto:dawn.suiter@usda.gov).

Individuals who use telecommunication devices for the deaf and hard of hearing (TDD) may call the Federal Relay Service (FRS) at 1-800-877-8339, 24 hours a day, every day of the year, including holidays.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The purpose of the meeting is to:

1. Discuss the purpose of RAC, operating guidelines and responsibilities;

2. Conduct Ethics Training for members;
3. Discuss previously approved Title II projects, current funding, and outreach on potential Title II projects, and processes;
4. Schedule next meeting;

The meeting is open to the public. The agenda will include time for individuals to make oral statements of three minutes or less. Individuals wishing to make an oral statement should make a request in writing at least three days prior to the meeting date to be scheduled on the agenda.

Anyone who would like to bring related matters to the attention of the committee may file written statements with the committee staff before or after the meeting. Written comments and requests for time for oral comments must be sent to Dawn Suiter, 2946 Chestnut Street, Montgomery, Alabama, 36107; or by email to [dawn.suiter@usda.gov](mailto:dawn.suiter@usda.gov). Persons with disabilities who require alternative means of communication for program information (e.g., Braille, large print, audiotape, American Sign Language, etc.) should contact the responsible Agency or USDA's TARGET Center at 202-720-2600 (voice and TTY) or contact USDA through the Federal Relay Service at 800-877-8339. Additionally, program information may be made available in languages other than English.

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Equal opportunity practices in accordance with USDA's policies will be followed in all appointments to the Committee. To ensure that the recommendations of the Committee have taken in account the needs of the diverse groups served by USDA, membership shall include to the extent possible, individuals with demonstrated ability to represent minorities, women, and person with disabilities. USDA is an equal opportunity provider, employer, and lender.

Dated: December 1, 2022.

**Cikena Reid,**

*USDA Committee Management Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Forest Service

#### Nez Perce-Clearwater National Forests; Idaho; Hungry Ridge Restoration Project

**AGENCY:** Forest Service, Agriculture (USDA).

**ACTION:** Notice of intent to prepare a Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement.

**SUMMARY:** The USDA Forest Service is giving notice of its intent to prepare a Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (SEIS) for the Hungry Ridge Restoration Project on the Salmon River Ranger District of the Nez Perce-Clearwater National Forests, in Idaho. The Forest Supervisor plans to prepare a SEIS to further evaluate old growth and cumulative effects under National Forest Management Act (NFMA) and National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) consistent with Case No. 3:21-cv-00189-CWD Memorandum and Decision Order (June 24, 2022).

**DATES:** There is no comment period at this time. The draft SEIS will be advertised for public comment as required by 40 CFR 1503.1. The draft SEIS is anticipated to be available for public review and comment in early 2023 and will be announced in the **Federal Register**, on the Nez Perce-Clearwater National Forests' project website and other local media. The comment period for the draft SEIS will be 45 days from the date the Environmental Protection Agency publishes the notice of availability in the **Federal Register**.

**ADDRESSES:** Nez Perce Clearwater National Forests, 1008 Highway 64, Kamiah, Idaho 83536.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Jennie Fischer, Interdisciplinary Team Leader, [jennie.fischer@usda.gov](mailto:jennie.fischer@usda.gov); 208-983-4048. Individuals who use telecommunication devices for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339, 24 hours a day, every day of the year, including holidays.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement will improve the Hungry Ridge Restoration final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) (September 2020, EIS No. 20200185) by providing an updated analysis of the environmental effects related to old growth and analysis of cumulative effects of the Hungry Ridge and End of the World projects on old growth. The Final Record of Decision was signed in March 2021. The SEIS will address the

Judge's order regarding old growth and cumulative effects.

If needed, the Forest Supervisor of the Nez Perce-Clearwater National Forests will issue a new Record of Decision (ROD) after evaluating the SEIS and public comments. If needed, an objection period for a new ROD will be provided, consistent with 36 CFR part 218.

#### Purpose and Need for Action

The overall purpose of the Hungry Ridge Restoration project is to manage forest vegetation to restore natural disturbance patterns; improve long-term resilience at the stand and landscape levels; reduce the potential risk to private property and structures; improve watershed conditions; and maintain/improve habitat structure, function and diversity. Timber outputs from the proposed action would be used to offset treatment costs, support the economic structure of local communities, and provide for regional and national needs.

#### Proposed Action

The proposed action was presented as Alternative 2 in the FEIS (September 2020). The Hungry Ridge Restoration project is located approximately 17 miles southeast of Grangeville in Idaho County, Idaho and includes the following actions: 7,164 acres of commercial timber harvest and fuels reduction; 12,372 acres of prescribed burning, and 10 acres of hand thinning around private property to reduce fuel levels. A combination of ground-based and aerial logging systems would be used. Associated road work includes up to: nine miles of permanent road construction, 23 miles of temporary road construction that would be decommissioned, two miles of road reconstruction, 34 miles of road reconditioning, road maintenance for log haul, and four miles of road long term storage. Approximately 1.8 miles of private road would be used under a road use agreement. Restoration actions to improve watershed conditions include approximately 25 miles road decommissioning, replacement of 18 culverts, improvement at two trail stream crossings, 87 acres of hardwood planting, and 75 acres of soil restoration. Monitoring and one project-specific amendment to the Nez Perce National Forest Land and Resource Management Plan (Forest Plan) are also proposed.

#### Preliminary Alternatives

The additional alternative the SEIS may consider is in response to impacts to old growth. The Hungry Ridge Restoration FEIS (September 2020)