

**DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE****Forest Service****Notice of Issuance of Final Permanent Seasonal Recreational Shooting Order in the Laramie Ranger District of the Medicine Bow-Routt National Forests and Thunder Basin National Grassland**

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Forest Service (Forest Service or Agency), United States Department of Agriculture, is issuing a final permanent seasonal order prohibiting recreational shooting annually from March 31 to September 10 in the Pole Mountain area of the Laramie Ranger District in the Medicine Bow-Routt National Forests and Thunder Basin National Grassland, an area which covers approximately 55,714 acres in Albany County, Wyoming.

**ADDRESSES:** The final permanent seasonal recreational shooting order, map, and justification for the final permanent seasonal order are posted on the Medicine Bow-Routt National Forests and Thunder Basin National Grassland's web page at <https://www.fs.usda.gov/detailfull/mbr/alerts-notices/?cid=stelprdb5139680&width=full>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Frank Romero, District Ranger, 307-745-2337 or [frank.e.romero@usda.gov](mailto:frank.e.romero@usda.gov). Individuals who use telecommunication devices for the hearing-impaired may call the Federal Relay Service at 800-877-8339, 24 hours a day, every day of the year, including holidays.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Section 4103 of the John D. Dingell, Jr. Conservation, Management, and Recreation Act of 2019 (Pub. L. 116-9, Title IV (Sportsmen's Access and Related Matters)), hereinafter "the Dingell Act," requires the Forest Service to provide advance notice and opportunity for public comment before temporarily or permanently closing any National Forest System lands to hunting, fishing, or recreational shooting.

The final permanent seasonal order prohibiting recreational shooting annually from March 31 to September 10 in the Pole Mountain area of the Laramie Ranger District in the Medicine Bow-Routt National Forests and Thunder Basin National Grassland has completed the public notice and comment process required under the Dingell Act. The Forest Service is issuing the final permanent seasonal recreational shooting order. The final

permanent seasonal order, the justification for the final permanent seasonal order, and the response to comments on the permanent seasonal order are posted on the Medicine Bow-Routt National Forests and Thunder Basin National Grassland's web page at <https://www.fs.usda.gov/detailfull/mbr/alerts-notices/?cid=stelprdb5139680&width=full>.

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**DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE****Rural Business-Cooperative Service**

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**Notice of Solicitation of Applications for Inviting Applications for the Rural Economic Development Loan and Grant Programs for Fiscal Year 2024; Correction**

**AGENCY:** Rural Business-Cooperative Service, USDA.

**ACTION:** Notice, correction.

**SUMMARY:** The Rural Business-Cooperative Service (RBCS or Agency), an agency of the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), published a Notice of Solicitation of Applications in the **Federal Register** (FR) on September 14, 2023, entitled Notice of Solicitation of Applications for Inviting Applications for the Rural Economic Development Loan and Grant Programs for Fiscal Year 2024, to announce that it was accepting applications for Fiscal Year (FY) 24 and the availability of an estimated \$90,000,000 in available funding. In addition, the Notice described requirements that are determined at the time a funding announcement is published as outlined in the program regulation. This notice will amend Section E.2.(c) of the notice to add a third option to request Priority Points under the Addressing Climate Change and Environmental Justice category. RD will work with any applicants that have previously submitted an application for FY 2024 funding to ensure they have the opportunity to utilize this option.

**DATES:** The deadlines for completed applications to be received in the USDA Rural Development (RD) State Office for quarterly funding competitions is no later than 4:30 p.m. (local time) on: Second Quarter—December 31, 2023,

Third Quarter—March 31, 2024, and Fourth Quarter—June 30, 2024.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Cindy Mason, Program Management Division, Business Programs, Rural Business-Cooperative Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, 1400 Independence Avenue SW, MS 3226, Room 5160-S, Washington, DC 20250-3226, [cindy.mason@usda.gov](mailto:cindy.mason@usda.gov), or call (202) 720-1400. For further information on this Notice, please contact the USDA RD State Office in the State in which the applicant's headquarters is located. A list of RD State Office contacts is provided at the following link: <https://www.rd.usda.gov/about-rd/state-offices>.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:****Correction**

In FR Doc. 2023-19925 of September 14, 2023 (88 FR 63057), on page 63060, in column 1, under Section E.2.(c) the details on how to receive priority points under reducing climate pollution and increasing resilience to the impacts of climate change through economic support to rural communities is being expanded. There will now be a third way to receive priority points. The paragraph and following bullets are being replaced to now read:

“(3) Reducing climate pollution and increasing resilience to the impacts of climate change through economic support to rural communities. Using the Disadvantaged Community and Energy Community Look-Up Map (available at <https://www.rd.usda.gov/priority-points>), applicants may receive priority in three ways:

- If the project is located in or serves a Disadvantaged Community as defined by the Climate and Economic Justice Screening Tool (CEJST), from the White House Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ);
- If the project is located in or serves an Energy Community as defined by the Inflation Reduction Act (IRA); and
- If applicants can demonstrate through a written narrative how the proposed climate-impact projects will improve the livelihoods of community residents and meet pollution mitigation or clean energy goals.

See the website, <https://www.rd.usda.gov/priority-points>, for options.”

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