

youth with limited access to outdoor work opportunities.

3. *Preserve, protect, and promote America's greatest gifts.* The 21CSC will protect, restore, and enhance public and tribal lands and waters as well as natural, cultural, and historical resources and treasures. With high-quality, cost-effective project work, the 21CSC will increase public access and use while spurring economic development and outdoor recreation.

21CSC Principles

21CSC member organizations must be in alignment with the criteria in each of the following 21CSC Principles:

1. *Population served.* Program serves young people ages 15–25 and/or military veterans up to age 35. Program may serve young people up to age 29 in an advanced capacity.

2. *Participant eligibility.* Participants must be a U.S. citizen, national, or lawful permanent resident alien of the United States, meeting the same citizenship requirements as those for serving in AmeriCorps and Public Lands Corps.

3. *Emphasis on diversity and inclusion.* Participant recruitment should make deliberate outreach efforts to traditionally underserved communities, including low-income and disadvantaged populations.

4. *Term of service.* Program minimum term of service of: 140 hours of on-the-ground, hands-on direct service for full time students and summer only participants; or 300 hours of on-the-ground, hands-on direct service for non-full time student participants. Program maximum term of service of 3,500 hours of on-the-ground, hands-on direct service, with a limited exception for program elements that require more than 3,500 hours to achieve highly advanced outcomes. Service is compensated (not volunteer). Compensation can be in the form of wages, stipend, educational credit, or other appropriate form.

5. *Organization of work.* Program organizes its participants as either: (a) Crew-based where participants work collectively and intensely together directly supervised by trained and experienced crew leaders or conservation professionals, or (b) Individual or small team-based where participants work individually or in coordinated teams under the direction of conservation professionals on initiatives that require specific skills and dedicated attention.

6. *Types of work.* Projects include significant outdoor activity and/or include “hands-on” direct impact and/or helps young people connect with

America's Great Outdoors. Some programs may include work that is primarily indoors—for example, science, policy or program internships—that have a clear benefit to natural, cultural or historic resources.

7. *Participant outcomes.* Program provides:

(a) Job skill development to prepare participants to be successful in the 21st century workforce;

(b) Community skill development to help participants acquire an ethic of service to others and learn to become better resource and community stewards; and

(c) A connection, improvement, or restoration of the natural or cultural/urban environment or a greater understanding of our natural, cultural, or historic resources.

8. *Leveraged investment.* Program leverages public investment through either financial or in-kind support, to the extent possible. Exceptions may be made to support new, smaller, or Federal programs that increase diversity and inclusion.

21CSC Member Organization Benefits and Caveats

Through this “notice of interest” process, all respondents that currently meet each of the criteria listed in all 21CSC principles will be designated as a 21CSC member organization. Designation as a 21CSC member organization is not a commitment of funding or future partnership opportunities; however, this designation may result in the following benefits to and limitations for member organizations and the Federal agencies represented on the 21CSC National Council.

Access to a national network of 21CSC member organizations.

1. Identification on a government Web site as a 21CSC member organization.

2. Ability to utilize the 21CSC logo to promote affiliation as a member organization.

3. Participation and/or acknowledgement in a rollout and launch of 21CSC in the Fall 2013.

4. Career and youth development opportunities with Federal agencies for participants of member organizations, where available.

5. Inclusion with outreach to Public Lands Service Corps programs about Federal partnership and employment opportunities.

6. Opportunities to participate in webinars and other outreach to agency field staff to increase awareness of how agency natural, cultural, or historic resource management needs can be

supported or met by youth and veterans conservation corps, where appropriate.

7. Neither this announcement, nor letters of interest submitted in response to this announcement, obligates any Federal agency represented on the 21CSC National Council to enter into a contractual agreement with any respondent.

8. Federal agencies represented on the 21CSC National Council reserve the right to establish a partnership based on organizational priorities and capabilities found by way of this announcement or other searches, if determined to be in the best interest of the government.

9. This Notice does not preclude any Federal agencies from entering into agreements or partnerships with non-21CSC organizations.

Dated: June 24, 2013.

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Associate Deputy Chief, National Forest System.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Ravalli County Resource Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Ravalli County Resource Advisory Committee will meet in Hamilton, MT. The committee is authorized under the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act (Pub. L. 110–343) (the Act) and operates in compliance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act. 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 the title II of the Act. The meeting is open to the public. The purpose of the meeting is to provide information regarding the monitoring of RAC projects.

DATES: The meeting will be held July 23, 2013 6:30 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Bitterroot National Forest Supervisor's Office located at 1801 N. 1st, Hamilton, MT. 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 at the Bitterroot National Forest Supervisor's

Office. Please call ahead to 406-363-7100 to facilitate entry into the building and to view comments.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dan Ritter, Stevensville District Ranger at 406-777-5461 or Joni Lubke, Executive Assistant at 406-363-7100. Individuals who use telecommunication devices for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339 between 8:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m., Eastern Standard Time, Monday through Friday. Please make requests in advance for sign language interpreting, assistive listening devices or other reasonable accommodation for access to the facility or proceedings by contacting the person listed For Further Information.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The following business will be conducted: Review status of funded RAC projects and an update on campground beetle projects. Contact Joni Lubke at 406-363-7100 for a full agenda. Anyone who would like to bring related matters to the attention of the committee may file written statements with the committee staff before the meeting. Individuals wishing to make an oral statement should request in writing by July 8, 2013 to be scheduled on the agenda. Written comments and requests for time for oral comments must be sent to Joni Lubke at 1801 N. 1st, Hamilton, MT 59840 or by email to jmlubke@fs.fed.us or via facsimile to 406-363-7159. A summary of the meeting will be posted at https://fsplaces.fs.fed.us/fsfiles/unit/wo/secure_rural_schools.nsf/WebAgendas?OpenView&Count=1000&RestrictToCategory=Ravalli+County within 21 days of the meeting.

Dated: June 25, 2013.

Cole Mayn,

Acting Forest Supervisor.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Office of the Secretary

[Docket No.: 130514469-3562-02]

Notice of Extension of Comment Period for Draft Initial Comprehensive Plan and Draft Environmental Assessment

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, U.S. Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of Extension of Public Comment Period.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the Resources and Ecosystems Sustainability, Tourist Opportunities, and Revived Economies

of the Gulf States Act (RESTORE Act), the Secretary of Commerce, as Chair of the Gulf Coast Ecosystem Restoration Council (Council), announces the extension of the public comment period for the Draft Initial Comprehensive Plan (Draft Plan) to restore and protect the Gulf Coast region and the Draft Programmatic Environmental Assessment (Draft PEA) for the Draft Plan. Council Members also have compiled preliminary lists of ecosystem restoration projects that are “authorized but not yet commenced” and the full Council is in the process of evaluating these lists; the Council announces the availability of these preliminary lists. If you previously submitted comments, please do not resubmit them because the Council has already incorporated them into the public record and will fully consider them.

DATES: To ensure consideration, we must receive your written comments by July 8, 2013.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments on the Draft Plan, the preliminary lists of “authorized but not yet commenced” ecosystem restoration projects, and Draft PEA by either of the following methods:

- **Electronic Submission:** Submit all electronic public comments via www.restorethegulf.gov.
- **Mail/Commercial Delivery:** Please send a copy of your comments to Gulf Coast Ecosystem Restoration Council, c/o U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW., Room 4077, Washington, DC 20230.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: The Council can be reached at restorecouncil@doc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On May 29, 2013, we published a **Federal Register** notice (78 FR 32237) announcing the availability of the Draft Plan, the preliminary lists of “authorized but not yet commenced” ecosystem restoration projects, and the Draft PEA for the Draft Plan and requesting comments, to be submitted by June 24, 2013. To provide additional time for responses, this notice extends the comment period until July 8, 2013.

The Council is seeking public and tribal comment on all aspects of the Draft Plan. In particular, the Council seeks public and tribal comment on the following:

(1) The Draft Plan includes restoration Priority Criteria established in the RESTORE Act and applicable to the Council’s selection of projects and programs for the first three years after publication of the Initial Comprehensive Plan. The Council is considering further defining these criteria and developing additional criteria for consideration.

a. Should the Council further define the Priority Criteria? If so, how?

b. Should the Council develop additional criteria for consideration now or in the future? If so, what should they be?

(2) The “Objectives” section of the Draft Plan describes the broad types of activities the Council envisions funding in order to achieve its ecosystem restoration goals.

a. Should the Council consider other Objectives at this juncture? If not, at what point, if any, should the Council consider additional Objectives? If so, what should they be?

b. Similarly, should the Council eliminate any of the Objectives? If so, what effect will elimination of the Objective(s) have on the Council’s ability to ensure a regional ecosystem approach to restoration?

c. How should the Council prioritize its restoration Objectives?

(3) The Council is considering establishing or engaging advisory committees as may be necessary, such as a citizens’ advisory committee and/or a science advisory committee, to provide input to the Council in carrying out its responsibilities under the RESTORE Act.

a. Should the Council establish any advisory committees?

b. If so, what type of advisory committees should the Council establish? How should the Council structure such advisory committees? What role should such advisory committees play?

In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), 42 U.S.C. §§ 4321–4335, and the Council on Environmental Quality’s regulations implementing NEPA, 40 C.F.R. Parts 1500–1507, the Council has prepared a Draft PEA on the Draft Plan. The Council is also seeking public comment on all aspects of the Draft PEA in addition to all aspects of the Draft Plan and the preliminary list of “authorized but not yet commenced” ecosystem restoration projects compiled by Council Members.

Document Availability: Copies of the Draft Plan, the preliminary list of “authorized but not yet commenced” projects and programs, and Draft PEA are available at the following office during regular business hours: Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW., Room 4077, Washington, DC 20230. Electronic versions of the documents can be viewed and downloaded at www.restorethegulf.gov.

Legal Authority: The statutory program authority for the Draft Initial Comprehensive