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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

[Docket No. APHIS–2016–0029]

Secretary's Advisory Committee on Animal Health; Meeting

AGENCY: Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: This is a notice to inform the public of the next meetings of the Secretary's Advisory Committee on Animal Health. The meetings are being organized by the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service to discuss matters of animal health.

DATES: The meetings will be held May 2, 2016, and June 16, 2016, from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. eastern standard time.

ADDRESSES: The meetings will be conducted as multisite teleconferences. Opportunities for public attendance are described in the Supplementary Information section of this document.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mrs. R.J. Cabrera, Designated Federal Officer, VS, APHIS, 4700 River Road, Unit 34, Riverdale, MD 20737; (301) 851–3478; email: SACAH.Management@aphis.usda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Secretary's Advisory Committee on Animal Health (the Committee) advises the Secretary of Agriculture on matters of animal health, including means to prevent, conduct surveillance on, monitor, control, or eradicate animal diseases of national importance. In doing so, the Committee will consider public health, conservation of natural resources, and the stability of livestock economies.

Tentative topics for discussion during the May 2, 2016, meeting include:

- One Health

- U.S. Department of Agriculture Antimicrobial Resistance Action Plan; and

- Zoonotic Diseases.

Tentative topics for discussion during the June 16, 2016, meeting include:

- Emerging Disease Response; and
- Comprehensive Integrated Animal Health Surveillance.

A final agenda will be posted on the Committee Web site 2 weeks prior to each scheduled meeting.

Those wishing to listen in on the meetings should complete a brief registration form by clicking on the "SACAH Meeting Sign-up" button on the Committee's Web site (<http://www.aphis.usda.gov/animalhealth/sacah>). Members of the public may join the teleconference in "listen-only" mode by dialing 1–800–619–4086 and then entering the public passcode, 4414646# for the May 2 meeting, and 9786716# for the June 16 meeting.

Questions and written statements for the Committee's consideration may be submitted up to 5 working days before each scheduled meeting. They may be sent to SACAH.Management@aphis.usda.gov or mailed to the person listed in this notice under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**. Statements filed with the Committee must include the name of the individual listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**, the docket number listed in this notice, and specify the meeting to which they pertain.

This notice of meeting is given pursuant to section 10 of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. App. 2).

Done in Washington, DC, this 11th day of April 2016.

Kevin Shea,

Administrator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Central Idaho Resource Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Central Idaho Resource Advisory Committee (RAC) will meet in

Challis, Idaho. 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. 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. Additional RAC information, including the meeting agenda and the meeting summary/minutes can be found at the following Web site: <http://www.fs.usda.gov/main/scnf/workingtogether/advisorycommittees>.

DATES: The meeting will be held May 10, 2016.

All RAC meetings are subject to cancellation. For status of meeting prior to attendance, please contact the person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Challis-Yankee Fork and Middle Fork Ranger District Office, 311 N. US Highway 93; Challis, ID 83226.

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 Public Lands Center, 1206 S. Challis Street, Salmon, Idaho 83467. Please call ahead to facilitate entry into the building.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Amy Baumer, Public Affairs Officer by phone at 208–756–5145 or via email at abaumer@fs.fed.us.

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.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The purpose of the meeting is:

1. To review and vote on project proposals for 2016.

The meeting is open to the public. The agenda will include time for people to make oral statements of three minutes or less. Individuals wishing to make an oral statement should request in writing by May 1, 2016 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 Amy Baumer, Public Affairs Officer; 1206 S. Challis St., Salmon, Idaho 83467; or by email to Salmon, Idaho, or via facsimile to 208-756-5289.

Meeting Accommodations: If you are a person requiring reasonable accommodation, 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 in the section titled **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**. All reasonable accommodation requests are managed on a case by case basis.

Dated: April 5, 2016.

Charles A. Mark,
Forest Supervisor.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

National Institute of Food and Agriculture

Notice of Request for Applications for the Veterinary Medicine Loan Repayment Program

AGENCY: National Institute of Food and Agriculture, USDA.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA) is announcing the release of the Veterinary Medicine Loan Repayment Program (VMLRP) request for applications. General information regarding the VMLRP can be obtained at: www.nifa.usda.gov/vmlrp.

The Request for Applications (RFA) can be obtained at: <http://nifa.usda.gov/vmlrp-request-applications-rfa>.

DATES: Applications are due May 20, 2016.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Danielle Tack, Program Coordinator, Institute of Food Production and Sustainability, National Institute of Food and Agriculture, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Washington, DC 20024; telephone: (202) 401-6802; fax: (202) 720-6486; email: vmlrp@nifa.usda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background and Purpose

In January 2003, the National Veterinary Medical Service Act

(NVMSA) was passed into law adding section 1415A to the National Agricultural Research, Extension, and Teaching Policy Act of 1997 (NARETPA). This law established a new Veterinary Medicine Loan Repayment Program (7 U.S.C. 3151a) authorizing the Secretary of Agriculture to carry out a program of entering into agreements with veterinarians under which they agree to provide veterinary services in veterinarian shortage situations.

Section 7105 of FCEA amended section 1415A to revise the determination of veterinarian shortage situations to consider (1) geographical areas that the Secretary determines have a shortage of veterinarians; and (2) areas of veterinary practice that the Secretary determines have a shortage of veterinarians, such as food animal medicine, public health, epidemiology, and food safety. This section also added that priority should be given to agreements with veterinarians for the practice of food animal medicine in veterinarian shortage situations.

NARETPA section 1415A requires the Secretary, when determining the amount of repayment for a year of service by a veterinarian to consider the ability of USDA to maximize the number of agreements from the amounts appropriated and to provide an incentive to serve in veterinary service shortage areas with the greatest need. This section also provides that loan repayments may consist of payments of the principal and interest on government and commercial loans received by the individual for the attendance of the individual at an accredited college of veterinary medicine resulting in a degree of Doctor of Veterinary Medicine or the equivalent. This program is not authorized to provide repayments for any government or commercial loans incurred during the pursuit of another degree, such as an associate or bachelor degree. Loans eligible for repayment include educational loans made for one or more of the following: Loans for tuition expenses; other reasonable educational expenses, including fees, books, and laboratory expenses, incurred by the individual; and reasonable living expenses as determined by the Secretary. In addition, the Secretary is directed to make such additional payments to participants as the Secretary determines appropriate for the purpose of providing reimbursements to participants for individual tax liability resulting from participation in this program. Finally, this section requires USDA to promulgate regulations within 270 days of the enactment of FCEA (*i.e.*, June 18,

2008). The Secretary delegated the authority to carry out this program to NIFA. The final rule was published in the **Federal Register** on April 19, 2010 [75 FR 20239-20248] allowing eligible veterinarians to competitively apply for and receive a VMLRP award.

From FY 2010 through FY 2015, NIFA received 996 applications from which 340 VMLRP awards were offered. Additional information by funding year can be found at <http://nifa.usda.gov/vmlrp-reports-and-statistics>. On December 18, 2015, the President signed into law the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2016 (Pub. L. 114-113), which appropriated \$5,000,000 for the VMLRP. Funding for future years will be based on annual appropriations and balances, if any, remaining from prior years.

The eligibility criteria for applicants and the application forms and associated instructions needed to apply for a VMLRP award can be viewed and downloaded from the VMLRP Web site at: <http://nifa.usda.gov/vmlrp-applicants>.

Done in Washington, DC, this 6th day of April, 2016.

Sonny Ramaswamy,

Director, National Institute of Food and Agriculture.

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BROADCASTING BOARD OF GOVERNORS

Government in the Sunshine Act Meeting Notice

DATE AND TIME: Wednesday, April 20, 2016, 10:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m. EDT.

PLACE: Cohen Building, Room 3321, 330 Independence Ave. SW., Washington, DC 20237.

SUBJECT: Notice of Meeting of the Broadcasting Board of Governors.

SUMMARY: The Broadcasting Board of Governors (Board) will be meeting at the time and location listed above. The Board will vote on a consent agenda consisting of the minutes of its February 26, 2016 meeting, a resolution honoring the 70th anniversary of Voice of America's (VOA) VOA's Thai Service, a resolution honoring the 25th anniversary of VOA's Tibetan Service, and a resolution changing the June Board meeting date. The Board will receive a report from the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) and Director of BBG. The Board will also hear from representatives of the BBG's networks regarding their efforts to expand in digital and social media.