SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

ADDRESSES: The Trinity Adaptive Management Working Group (TAMWG) affords stakeholders the opportunity to give policy, management, and technical input concerning Trinity River (California) restoration efforts to the Trinity Management Council (TMC). The TMC interprets and recommends policy, coordinates and reviews management actions, and provides organizational budget oversight. This notice announces a TAMWG meeting, which is open to the public.

DATES: TAMWG will meet from 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. on Monday, September 10, 2012.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Meeting Information: Nancy J. Finley, Executive Director, Trinity River Restoration Program, P.O. Box 1300, 1313 South Heindon Road, Arcata, CA 95521; telephone: (707) 822–7201. Trinity River Restoration Program (TRRP) Information: Robin Schrock, Executive Director, Trinity River Restoration Program, P.O. Box 1300, 1313 South Main Street, Weaverville, CA 96093; telephone: (530) 623–1800; email: rschrock@usbr.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. App.), this notice announces a meeting of the TAMWG. The meeting will include discussion of the following topics:

- Designated Federal Officer (DFO) updates,
- Discussion of Charter,
- Discussion with Department of the Interior Solicitor,
- Executive Director’s report,
- TMC Chair report,
- Update from TRRP Workgroups
- Update on the 2012 Water Year
- Presentation on Water Year Forecasting
- Hatchery Report (if available).

Completion of the agenda is dependent on the amount of time each item takes. The meeting could end early if the agenda has been completed.

Dated: August 14, 2012.
Nancy Finley,
Field Supervisor, Arcata Fish and Wildlife Office, Arcata, CA.

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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Neal Smith National Wildlife Refuge, Jasper County, IA

Nancy Smith National Wildlife Refuge, which we began by publishing a notice of intent in the Federal Register on December 17, 2008. For more about the initial process and the history of this refuge, see that notice.

INTRODUCTION

With this notice, we continue the CCP process for Neal Smith National Wildlife Refuge, which we began by publishing a notice of intent in the Federal Register on December 17, 2008. For more about the initial process and the history of this refuge, see that notice.

BACKGROUND

The National Wildlife Refuge System Administration Act of 1966, as amended by the National Wildlife Refuge System Improvement Act of 1997 (16 U.S.C. 668dd–668ee) (Administration Act), requires us to develop a CCP for each national wildlife refuge. The purpose in developing a CCP is to provide refuge managers with a 15-year strategy for achieving refuge purposes and contributing toward the mission of the National Wildlife Refuge System (NWRS), consistent with sound principles of fish and wildlife management, conservation, legal mandates, and Service policies. In addition to outlining broad management direction on conserving wildlife and their habitats, CCPs identify wildlife-dependent recreational opportunities available to the public, including opportunities for hunting, fishing, wildlife observation and photography, and environmental education and interpretation. We will review and update the CCP at least every 15 years in accordance with the Administration Act.

Each unit of the NWRS was established for specific purposes. We use these purposes as the foundation for developing and prioritizing the management goals and objectives for each refuge within the NWRS mission, and to determine how the public can use each refuge. The planning process is a way for us and the public to evaluate management goals and objectives that will ensure the best possible approach to wildlife, plant, and habitat conservation, while providing for wildlife-dependent recreational opportunities that are compatible with each refuge’s establishing purposes and the mission of the NWRS.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

The draft CCP/EA, which includes detailed information about the planning process, refuge, issues, and management alternatives considered and proposed, may be found at http://www.fws.gov/midwest/planning/nealsmith/index.html. There are four alternative refuge management options considered in the EA. The Service’s preferred alternative is reflected in the draft CCP.