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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Natural Resources Conservation Service

[Docket No. NRCS-2014-0006]

Notice of Meeting of the Agricultural Air Quality Task Force

AGENCY: Natural Resources Conservation Service.

ACTION: Notice of Meeting.

SUMMARY: The Department of Agriculture (USDA) Agricultural Air Quality Task Force (AAQTF) will meet for discussions on critical air quality issues relating to agriculture. Special emphasis will be placed on obtaining a greater understanding about the relationship between agricultural production and air quality. The meeting is open to the public, and a draft agenda is included in this notice.

DATES: The meeting will convene at 7:30 a.m. MST on Thursday and Friday, December 4-5, 2014. A public comment period will be held on the morning of December 5. The meeting will end at approximately noon on December 5.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Hilton Ft. Collins, 425 West Prospect Road, Fort Collins, Colorado 80526; telephone: (970) 482-2626.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Questions and comments should be directed to Dr. Greg Johnson, Designated Federal Official, USDA, NRCS, 1201 Lloyd Boulevard, Suite 1000, Portland Oregon 97232; telephone: (503) 273-2424; fax: (503) 273-2401; or email: greg.johnson@por.usda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice of this meeting is given under the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. 2. Additional information concerning AAQTF, including any revised agendas for the December 4-5, 2014, meeting that occurs after this Federal Register Notice is published, may be found at:

www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/detail/national/air/taskforce

Draft Agenda
Meeting of the AAQTF
December 4-5, 2014
Fort Collins, Colorado

- A. Welcome remarks and introductions
- B. Colorado air quality and agriculture
- C. Update on agricultural air quality regulatory issues at the Environmental Protection Agency
- D. AAQTF Subcommittee reports
- E. Carbon credits and environmental markets
- F. Rocky Mountain National Park Nitrogen Deposition Issues
- G. Updates from USDA agencies (Forest Service, NRCS, NIFA, ARS)
- H. Selected agricultural air quality research presentations
- I. Public Input (Individual presentations limited to 5 minutes).

Please note that the timing of events in the agenda is subject to change to accommodate changing schedules of expected speakers and or extended discussions.

Procedural

This meeting is open to the public. On December 5 the public will have an opportunity to provide up to 5 minutes of input to the AAQTF.

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Signed this 21st day of November 2014, in Washington, D.C.

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