DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Flathead Resource Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Flathead Resource Advisory Committee (RAC) will meet in Kalispell, Montana. 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. In June 2016, the National Secure Rural Schools (SRS) Resource Advisory Committee (RAC) charter enabled SRS RACs to provide recommendations on Forest Service recreation fee proposals; if the designated Units are not currently coordinating with another active Recreation RAC; the current charter states that upon request of the Designated Federal Officer (DFO), the SRS RAC may make recommendations regarding:

a. The implementation of a new recreation fee at specific recreation fee site;
b. The implementation of a fee increase at an existing recreation fee;
c. The implementation or elimination of noncommercial, individual special recreation permit fees;
d. The elimination of a recreation fee; and,
e. The expansion or limitation of the recreation fee program.

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RAC information can be found at the following website:

https://www.fs.usda.gov/main/pts/home

DATES: The meeting will be held on:

Tuesday, January 28, 2020, from 4:00-7:00 P.M.

All RAC meetings are subject to cancellation. For status of the meeting prior to attendance, please contact the person listed under For Further Information Contact.

ADDRESS: The meeting will be held at the Flathead National Forest, Supervisor’s Office, 650 Wolfpack Way, Kalispell, Montana.

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 Flathead National Forest, Supervisor’s Office. Please call ahead at 406-758-5200 to facilitate entry into the building.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Janette Turk, Designated Federal Official, by phone at 406-758-5335 or via email at janette.turk@usda.gov.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The purpose of the meeting is to:

Discuss, recommend, and approve the following:

Total of 14 fee proposals

1 new fee site

13 fee increases
2 Campgrounds

12 Cabin and lookout rentals

Lindbergh Lake campground is the only new fee proposal

Campgrounds:

- 1 proposed fee increase to $13 per night
- 1 proposed new fee site at $10 per night

Lookouts and Cabins:

- 12 proposed fee increases ranging from $50 to $70 per night.

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 Monday, January 27, 2020, 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 Janette Turk, Designated Federal Official, 650 Wolfpack Way, Kalispell, MT 59901; by email to janette.turk@usda.gov, or via facsimile to 406-758-5379.

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, please contact the person listed in the section titled For Further Information Contact. All reasonable accommodation requests are managed on a case by case basis.

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USDA, Committee Management Officer.

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