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## **DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**

### **Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service**

**[Docket No. APHIS-2016-0021]**

#### **National Wildlife Services Advisory Committee; Meeting**

**AGENCY:** Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, USDA.

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** We are giving notice of a meeting of the National Wildlife Services Advisory Committee.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held on August 2, 3, and 4, 2016, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. each day. On August 2, 2016, the Committee will participate in an off-site activity to observe local Wildlife Services field projects. The Committee's business meeting will take place August 3 and 4, 2016.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the Holiday Inn Express located at 2102 South C Street, Tacoma, WA 98402.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ms. Carrie Joyce, Designated Federal Officer, Wildlife Services, APHIS, 4700 River Road Unit 87, Riverdale, MD 20737; (301) 851-3999.

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

The National Wildlife Services Advisory Committee (the Committee) advises the Secretary of Agriculture concerning policies, program issues, and research needed to conduct the Wildlife Services (WS) program. The Committee also serves as a public forum enabling those affected by the WS program to have a voice in the program's policies.

The meeting will focus on operational and research activities. The Committee will discuss WS efforts to increase operational capacity through prioritizing research objectives. Additionally, the Committee will discuss pertinent national programs and how to increase their effectiveness, as well as ensuring WS remains an active participant in the goal of agricultural protection.

The meeting will be open to the public. However, due to time constraints, the public will not be allowed to participate in the discussions during the meeting. Written statements on meeting topics may be filed with the Committee before or after the meeting by sending them to the person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**. Written statements may also be filed at the meeting. Please refer to Docket No. APHIS-2016-0021 when submitting your statements.

This notice of meeting is given pursuant to section 10 of the Federal Advisory Committee Act.

Done in Washington, DC, this 20<sup>th</sup> day of July 2016.

**Michael C. Gregoire,**

*Acting Administrator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service.*

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