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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

DOE/Biological and Environmental Research Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Office of Science, Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a meeting of the Biological and Environmental Research Advisory Committee (BERAC). The Federal Advisory Committee Act requires that public notice of these meetings be announced in the *Federal Register*.

DATES: Thursday, October 22, 2020; 12:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Friday, October 23, 2020; 12:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

ADDRESSES: This meeting will be held digitally via webcast using Zoom. Instructions for Zoom, as well as any updates to meeting times or meeting agenda, can be found on the BERAC meeting website at: <https://science.osti.gov/ber/berac/Meetings>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Tristram West, Designated Federal Officer, BERAC, U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Science, Office of Biological and Environmental Research, SC-23/Germantown Building, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20585-1290. Phone (301) 903-5155; fax (301) 903-5051 or email: tristram.west@science.doe.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose of the Committee: To provide advice on a continuing basis to the Director, Office of Science of the Department of Energy, on the many complex scientific and technical issues that arise in the development and implementation of the Biological and Environmental Research Program.

Tentative Agenda Topics

- News from the Office of Biological and Environmental Research
- News from the Biological Systems Science and Earth and Environmental Systems Sciences Divisions
- Report brief(s)
- BERAC business and discussion
- Public comment

Public Participation: The two-day meeting is open to the public. If you would like to file a written statement with the Committee, you may do so either before or after the meeting. If you would like to make oral statements regarding any of the items on the agenda, please send an email request to both Tristram West (tristram.west@science.doe.gov) and Andrew Flatness (andrew.flatness@science.doe.gov). You must make your request for an oral statement at least five business days before the meeting. Reasonable provision will be made to include the scheduled oral statements on the agenda. The Chairperson of the Committee will conduct the meeting to facilitate the orderly conduct of business. Public comment will be limited to five minutes each.

Minutes: The minutes of this meeting will be available for public review and copying within 45 days at the BERAC Web site: <https://science.osti.gov/ber/berac/Meetings/BERAC-Minutes>.

Signed in Washington, D.C. on September 11, 2020.

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Deputy Committee Management Officer.

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