

2024 Current Fiscal Year Report: Hiawatha Resource Advisory Committee

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1. Department or Agency

Department of Agriculture

2. Fiscal Year

2024

3. Committee or Subcommittee

Hiawatha Resource Advisory
Committee

3b. GSA Committee

No.

2588

4. Is this New During Fiscal Year?

5. Current Charter	6. Expected Renewal Date	7. Expected Term Date
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No 12/19/2023 12/19/2025

8a. Was Terminated During Fiscal Year?

No

8b. Specific Termination Authority

8c. Actual Term Date

9. Agency Recommendation for Next Fiscal Year

Continue

10a. Legislation Req to Terminate?

Not Applicable

10b. Legislation Pending?

Not Applicable

11. Establishment Authority

Statutory (Congress Created)

12. Specific Establishment Authority

SRS and Community

Self-Determination Act as

reauthorized in PL 110-343,
PL 112-141 and as amended

Agricultural Improvement Act
of 2018 PL. 115-334.

13. Effective Date	14. Committee Type	14c. Presidential?
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10/03/2008 Continuing No

15. Description of Committee

Other Committee

16a. Total Number of Reports

No Reports for
this Fiscal Year

17a. Open	17b. Closed	17c. Partially Closed	Other Activities	17d. Total
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Meetings and Dates

No Meetings

	Current FY	Next FY
18a(1). Personnel Pmts to Non-Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18a(2). Personnel Pmts to Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18a(3). Personnel Pmts to Federal Staff	\$0.00	\$0.00
18a(4). Personnel Pmts to Non-Member Consultants	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(1). Travel and Per Diem to Non-Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(2). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(3). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Staff	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(4). Travel and Per Diem to Non-member Consultants	\$0.00	\$0.00
18c. Other(rents,user charges, graphics, printing, mail, etc.)	\$0.00	\$0.00
18d. Total	\$0.00	\$0.00
19. Federal Staff Support Years (FTE)	0.00	0.00

20a. How does the Committee accomplish its purpose?

The purpose of a Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act resource advisory committee is to improve collaborative relations and to provide advice and recommendations to the Forest Service consistent with Division C, Title VI of Public Law 110-343. The Act describes the duties of the committees as follows: to review projects proposed by counties and other interested parties; to recommend projects and funding; to provide early and continuous coordination with Forest Service

officials; to provide frequent opportunities for citizens, organizations, tribes, land management agencies and other interested parties to participate openly and meaningfully, beginning in the early stages of project development; to monitor projects approved under the Act; to advise the designated federal official on the progress of monitoring; and to make recommendations for any appropriate changes or adjustments to projects being monitored.

20b. How does the Committee balance its membership?

The committee will be comprised of 15 members, five in each of the three categories prescribed in the Act. Within each category, the Act identifies specific interests members are to represent. Committees are formed in geographic areas to ensure each national forest located within a participating county or counties has access to a resource advisory committee. The Act requires members to be residents of the state or states within which the committee has jurisdiction.

20c. How frequent and relevant are the Committee Meetings?

The committee generally will meet 1-4 times per year as needed to perform its duties. Did not meet due to COVID levels and no quorum was met to hold virtually. Meeting scheduled for Oct, 2023, meeting to regroup and discuss project status and funds.

20d. Why can't the advice or information this committee provides be obtained elsewhere?

This Resource Advisory Committee is mandated by the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act as reauthorized in Public Law 110-343 and Public Law 112-141.

20e. Why is it necessary to close and/or partially closed committee meetings?

All meetings are open to the public.

21. Remarks

This committee did not meet in FY23.

Designated Federal Officer

Shannon Rische Forest Supervisor

Committee Members	Start	End	Occupation	Member Designation
Clark, Eric	10/01/2020	10/01/2024	Sault Ste Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians, Inland Fish and Wildlife Biologist	Representative Member
DeWitt, Charlene	10/01/2020	10/01/2024	Retired Teacher, President, Hiawatha Shore to Shore North Country Trail club	Representative Member
DeWitt, Grant	10/01/2020	10/01/2024	retires, Real Estate Agent	Representative Member
English, Kathleen	10/01/2020	10/01/2024	Retired, Nurse	Representative Member
Glass, Michael	10/01/2020	10/01/2024	Retired, Lansing Board of Lights	Representative Member
Gorniak, Gary	10/01/2020	10/01/2024	Straits Area Sportsmen's Club Member national	Representative Member
Hall, David	10/01/2020	10/01/2024	Assoc of Community Development	Representative Member
Haughey, Stacy Jo	10/01/2020	10/01/2024	Governor's Office designee	Representative Member
Malloy, Marcia	10/01/2020	10/01/2024	Teacher, Bay Mills Ojibwe Historical Committee	Representative Member
Marra, Nathan	10/01/2020	10/01/2024	Organized labor/non-timber product	Representative Member
McCarthy, Michael	10/01/2020	10/01/2024	Executive Director Chippew/Luce Conservation District	Representative Member
Radka, Chad	10/01/2020	10/01/2024	Owner, Radka Enterprises	Representative Member
Savoie, Robert	10/01/2020	10/01/2024	County Commissioner	Representative Member

Woodworth, Laura	10/01/2020	10/01/2024	Retired, Occupational Therapist, Forest Service Volunteer	Representative Member
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Number of Committee Members Listed: 14

Narrative Description

By recommending projects that maintain and improve the health of national forest ecosystems and improve cooperative relationships among the people who use and care for the national forests, the Secure Rural Schools resource advisory committees support the Forest Service mission to sustain the health, diversity, and productivity of the Nation's forests and grasslands to meet the needs of present and future generations. The committees specifically support Forest Service strategic goals to 1. Restore, sustain, and enhance the national forests; and 2. Provide and sustain benefits to the American people

What are the most significant program outcomes associated with this committee?

Checked if
Applies

Improvements to health or safety	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Trust in government	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Major policy changes	<input type="checkbox"/>
Advance in scientific research	<input type="checkbox"/>
Effective grant making	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Improved service delivery	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Increased customer satisfaction	<input type="checkbox"/>
Implementation of laws or regulatory requirements	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Outcome Comments

Not Applicable

What are the cost savings associated with this committee?

Checked if Applies

None	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Unable to Determine	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Under \$100,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$100,000 - \$500,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$500,001 - \$1,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$5,000,001 - \$10,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
Over \$10,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
Cost Savings Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Cost Savings Comments

Not Applicable

What is the approximate Number of recommendations produced by this committee for the life of the committee?

10

Number of Recommendations Comments

No recommendation in FY23.

What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Fully implemented by the agency?

80%

% of Recommendations Fully Implemented Comments

8 recommendations are fully implemented.

What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Partially implemented by the agency?

20%

% of Recommendations Partially Implemented Comments

2 recommendations are partially implemented.

Does the agency provide the committee with feedback regarding actions taken to implement recommendations or advice offered?

Yes ☐ No ☒ Not Applicable ☐

Agency Feedback Comments

Not Applicable

What other actions has the agency taken as a result of the committee's advice or recommendation?

Checked if Applies

- | | |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Reorganized Priorities | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Reallocated resources | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Issued new regulation | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Proposed legislation | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Approved grants or other payments | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Other | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Action Comments

Not Applicable

Is the Committee engaged in the review of applications for grants?

No

Grant Review Comments

No meeting due to no quorum.

How is access provided to the information for the Committee's documentation?

Checked if Applies

- | | |
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| Contact DFO | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Online Agency Web Site | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Online Committee Web Site | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Online GSA FACA Web Site | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Publications | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Other | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Access Comments

Not Applicable