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Obama Administration Officials to Convene Public Outreach Meeting of the Interagency Climate Change Adaptation Task Force in Denver, July 19, 2010

Denver, CO – Obama Administration officials will hold a public outreach meeting of the Interagency Climate Change Adaptation Task Force in Denver, Colorado on July 19, 2010. The meeting provides an opportunity for senior members of the Obama Administration to hear local and regional ideas, questions and concerns about climate change impacts, including impacts to agriculture, and to describe Federal planning efforts already underway.

In 2009, the White House Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ), the Office of Science and Technology Policy (OSTP), and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) initiated the Interagency Climate Change Adaptation Task Force, which includes representatives from more than 20 Federal Agencies. When President Obama signed the Executive Order on Federal Leadership in Environmental, Energy, and Economic Performance, on October 5, 2009, he called on the Task Force to develop, within one year, Federal recommendations for reducing vulnerability to climate change impacts both domestically and internationally. An interim progress report was released in March 2010 and can be viewed online at http://www.whitehouse.gov/administration/eop/ceg/initiatives/adaptation.

WHO: Shere Abbott, Associate Director for Environment, Office of Science and Technology Policy,

Executive Office of the President

Harris Sherman, Undersecretary for Natural Resources and Environment, United States

Department of Agriculture

William Hohenstein, Director of Global Change Program Office, United States Department of

Agriculture

WHAT: Interagency Climate Change Adaptation Task Force Public Meeting and Press Conference

WHEN: Monday, July 19, 2:00 – 5:00 p.m. public meeting. Media availability will be at 1:30 p.m.

WHERE: Colorado Room, Doubletree Hotel Denver, 3203 Quebec Street, Denver, CO

WATCH: The meeting will be webcast live and linked from

http://www.whitehouse.gov/administration/eop/ceq/initiatives/adaptation/publicmeetings