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Subject: July 28-30: White House Listening Sessions on Scientific Integrity and Evidence-Based Policymaking

Dear Delta Independent Science Board Chair, Past Chair, and members,

The White House Office of Science and Technology Policy will be holding listening sessions next week on Scientific Integrity and Evidence-Based Policymaking. I thought you and/or your colleagues might have some valuable insights to contribute. The information is below. Please forward.

[Public Listening Sessions on Scientific Integrity and Evidence-Based Policymaking | The White House](#)

To enhance efforts to improve scientific integrity policies, the Task Force on Scientific Integrity is organizing a series of three virtual listening sessions to hear from members of the public who produce, communicate, and use scientific and technical information. Perspectives gathered during the virtual listening sessions will inform the assessment of Federal agencies' scientific-integrity policies and identification of best practices and lessons-learned that the Task Force is preparing, pursuant to the [Presidential Memorandum on Restoring Trust in Government Through Scientific Integrity and Evidence-Based Policymaking](#).

Each of three virtual listening sessions will be organized around a particular theme as described below:

1. Session 1: Communications – Effective policies and practices to improve the communication of scientific and technological information, including for engagement of Federal scientists and contractors with news media and on social media.

Who: News media, science writers, science communicators.

When: Wednesday, July 28, 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time (EDT).

[Session 1 Registration](#)

2. Session 2: Science and Education – Effective policies and practices to: support professional development of scientists and researchers of all genders, races, ethnicities, and backgrounds; address scientific integrity issues related to emerging technologies, such as artificial intelligence and machine-learning, and evolving scientific practices, such as citizen science and community-engaged research; improve training of scientific staff about scientific integrity; and handle disagreements about scientific methods and conclusions.

Who: Scientists, engineers, and educators.

When: Thursday, July 29, 2021, 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. EDT.

[Session 2 Registration](#)

3. Session 3: Use of Scientific and Technical Information – Effectiveness of Federal scientific integrity policies in promoting trust in Federal science and concerns about a lack of scientific integrity impeding the equitable delivery of Federal Government programs.

Who: Individuals who use Federal scientific and technical information for decision-making or provision of services; individuals from disadvantaged communities; other consumers of science.

When: Friday, July 30, 2021, 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. EDT.

[Session 3 Registration](#)

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