

ACTION: Notice of change in application deadline.

SUMMARY: The Corporation for National and Community Service has extended the deadline for applications under our notice of availability of funds published in the **Federal Register** on April 28, 2000 (65 FR 24920). The funds will support grants under the AmeriCorps*State Competitive, AmeriCorps*National, and Learn and Serve America K-12 School-based programs, to eligible organizations to help overcome the digital divide. The new deadline for applications is July 25, 2000. In addition, if you intend to submit an application, please send us a notice of intent by June 26, 2000. A notice of intent to submit is not required, but is helpful to us for planning purposes.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For further information, or to obtain an application, contact Maria Diaz at (202) 606-5000, ext. 372.

Dated: May 8, 2000.

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Corporation for National and Community
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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Reciprocal Procurement Memoranda of Understanding—Implementation Reviews

AGENCY: Department of Defense.

ACTION: Request for public comments.

SUMMARY: The Office of Foreign Contracting, Defense Procurement, is seeking information that will assist it in reviewing the defense procurement practices of countries with which the Department of Defense (DoD) has a reciprocal procurement Memorandum of Understanding (MOU). These countries are: Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Denmark, Egypt, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Israel, Italy, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Norway, Portugal, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey, and the United Kingdom. Interested parties are invited to submit written comments concerning the defense procurement practices of MOU countries that will assist the Office of Foreign Contracting in evaluating the manner in which these reciprocal MOUs are being implemented.

DATES: Comments must be received no later than June 26, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Send all comments to Domenico C. Cipicchio, Deputy Director, Defense Procurement, Foreign Contracting, OUSD (AT&L), 3060 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301-3060.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Susan M. Hildner, Procurement Analyst, Defense Procurement, Foreign Contracting, OUSD (AT&L), 3060 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301-3060, (703) 697-9352.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The DoD has a bilateral reciprocal defense procurement MOU with each of the countries identified above. These MOUs are designed to promote interoperability and standardization of defense equipment between the U.S. and its allies. The MOUs also seek to eliminate buy-national barriers and other discriminatory procurement practices so that the industries of each country receive fair and equal access to each other's defense procurements. The Office of Foreign Contracting will be performing reviews of the manner in which these MOUs are being implemented and is interested in obtaining information on any discriminatory practices that hinder the ability of U.S. suppliers to compete for defense-related procurements within any of these countries. Problem areas could include: Inability to locate publication notices on upcoming procurements, difficulty in obtaining solicitations in a timely manner, inadequate response time for offers, issues associated with application of customs duties, buy-national practices that favor other than U.S. industry, imposition of offset requirements, inability to obtain debriefing information, inability to protest source selection decisions, and protection of proprietary information as well as any other discriminatory practice that needs to be addressed.

All materials should be submitted with 3 copies. Material that is business confidential information will be exempted from public disclosure as provided for by 5 U.S.C. 552(b)(4) (Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) rules). Anyone submitting business confidential information should clearly identify the business confidential portion of the submission and also provide a non-confidential submission, which can be placed in the public file. Comments not marked business

confidential may be subject to disclosure under FOIA.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE DEFENSE

Department of the Army; Corps of Engineers

Notice of Intent To Prepare a Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (DSEIS) for Proposed Changes to the Kentucky Lock Addition Project, Marshall and Livingston Counties, Kentucky

AGENCY: U. S. Army Corps of Engineers, DoD.

ACTION: Notice of Intent and Announcement of Meeting

SUMMARY: The Corps of Engineers, Nashville District, and the Tennessee Valley Authority (Cooperating Agency) will prepare a DSEIS to the 1992 EIS titled Lower Cumberland and Tennessee Rivers Navigation Feasibility Report Kentucky Lock Addition, Volume 1 Final EIS. This supplement is necessary to provide National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) coverage for proposed changes to the design of the project from that described in previous NEPA documents, which includes the 1992 EIS and the March 2000 Environmental Assessment for the Proposed Relocation of the U.S. Highway 62 and 641 Crossing of the Tennessee River at Kentucky Lock and Dam. A Public Meeting is scheduled to scope for potential issues to be evaluated in the SEIS. Further information on the upcoming meeting is provided in the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** paragraph indicated below.

DATES: Written comments must be received by the Corps of Engineers on or before June 12, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Written comments on issues to be considered in the SEIS shall be mailed to: Tim Higgs, Project Planning Branch, Nashville District Corps of Engineers, P.O. Box 1070 (PM-P), Nashville, Tennessee 37202-1070.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For additional information concerning the notice and meeting announcement, please contact Tim Higgs, Environmental Analysis Team, (615) 736-7192 or Don Getty, Project Manager, (615) 736-2346.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

1. The intent of the Supplemental EIS is to provide National Environmental Policy Act coverage for design features of the Kentucky Lock Addition project that were unspecified when the original EIS was prepared. At the time of the original EIS, it was recognized that decisions on several key features could not be made until additional hydraulic modeling studies and engineering evaluations were performed. This additional evaluation has progressed to the point that the SEIS can be completed.

2. The original EIS for Kentucky Lock Addition was completed in 1992 and a Record of Decision signed in 1998. An environmental assessment (EA) was completed in March 2000 for the relocation of the U.S. Highway 62/641 Crossing over the Tennessee River. This EA addressed changes to the project from moving the crossing off the Kentucky Lock and Dam (river mile 22.4) to a site just downstream of the dam (river mile 22.1). The SEIS now proposed will cover all known remaining changes to the project from that described in the earlier EIS and EA.

3. Key proposed project features to be evaluated in the SEIS include the following:

a. Training dike(s) on the west bank of the Powerhouse Island to improve navigation conditions for barge traffic entering the locks on the downstream side.

b. Fishing enhancement features added as mitigation for construction impacts (bank closures):

(1) three west bank rock jetties below the west bank boat basin;

(2) expanded west bank boat basin which will be used by contractors during construction and available to the public after construction;

(3) new boat ramp in the west bank boat basin;

(4) fishing piers on the west bank and off the Powerhouse Island.

c. Construction of a new Lock Visitor's Center as mitigation for loss of Taylor Park Campground.

d. Fill placement in lower level of now inactive Taylor Park Campground.

e. Mooring buoys at either Tennessee River Mile 19.4 (Left Bank) or TRM 20.6L.

f. Underwater rock excavations in upstream and downstream lock approaches.

g. Wastewater treatment systems for the Lock and Dam facilities.

h. Widening of Highway 282 at the railroad underpass on the west bank.

i. Guidewall construction in the tailwater.

4. This notice serves to solicit comments from the public; federal, state

and local agencies and officials; Indian Tribes; and other interested parties in order to consider and evaluate the impacts of this proposed activity. Any comments received by us will be considered to determine whether to perform this work. To make this decision, comments are used to assess impacts on endangered species, historic properties, water quality, water supply and conservation, economics, aesthetics, wetlands, flood hazards, floodplain values, land use, navigation, shore erosion and accretion, recreation, energy needs, safety, food and fiber production, mineral needs, considerations of property ownership, general environmental effects, and in general, the needs and welfare of the people.

5. Activities proposed that require a review under the guidelines promulgated by the Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), under authority of Section 404(b)(1) of the Clean Water Act (40 CFR Part 230) include fill placement for fishing enhancement features and riprap temporarily placed in the lower lock approach channel.

6. Other federal, state and local approvals required for the proposed work are as follows:

a. Water quality certification from the Kentucky Division of Water.

b. Coordination with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, including a Biological Assessment/Opinion for Endangered Species Act and a Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act Report.

7. Significant issues to be analyzed in depth in the draft SEIS include impacts to tailwater mussel resources, tailwater fishing activities, and commercial and recreational boating activities. The Tennessee Valley Authority has agreed to be a Cooperating Agency on the SEIS and will be responsible for preparing much of the evaluations of significant resources. A draft SEIS should be available in February 2001.

8. *Public Meeting:* A public meeting is scheduled to scope for potential issues to be evaluated in the SEIS as follows:

Date: May 22, 2000.

Time: 6:30 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Place: Kentucky Dam Village State Park Convention Center, U.S. Highway 641, Gilbertsville, Kentucky.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

[CFDA No. 84.258]

Even Start Family Literacy Program Grants for Indian Tribes and Tribal Organizations

AGENCY: Department of Education.

ACTION: Notice inviting applications for new awards for fiscal year (FY) 2000.

Purpose of Program: The Even Start Family Literacy Program for Indian tribes and tribal organizations is designed to help break the cycle of poverty and illiteracy by improving the educational opportunities of low-income families by integrating early childhood education, adult literacy or adult basic education, and parenting education into a unified family literacy program for federally recognized Indian tribes and tribal organizations.

Eligible Applicants: Federally recognized Indian tribes and tribal organizations. (The term "Indian tribe" and "tribal organization" have the meanings given those terms in section 4 of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act.)

Applications Available: May 12, 2000.

Deadline for Transmittal of

Applications: June 30, 2000.

Available Funds: The Secretary estimates that there will be approximately \$1,500,000 in FY 2000 funds for new grants.

Estimated Range of Awards:

\$100,000–\$200,000.

Estimated Size of Average Award:

\$175,000.

Estimated Number of Awards: 8–10.

Note: The Department is not bound by any estimates in this notice.

Project Period: Up to 48 months.

Applicable Regulations: The Education Department General Administrative Regulations (EDGAR) in 34 CFR parts 75, 77, 80, 81, 82, 85, 97, 98, and 99.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Description of Program

Under the authority of section 1202(a)(1)(C) of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA), the Assistant Secretary of Elementary and Secondary Education (Assistant Secretary) awards grants to eligible applicants for projects that—

- Improve the educational opportunities of low-income families by integrating early childhood education, adult literacy or adult basic education, and parenting education into a unified family literacy program for federally recognized Indian tribe and tribal organization projects;

- Are implemented through cooperative activities that build on