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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: An alternative business process being considered is competitively acquiring personal property services through use of long-term, full-service contracts under the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR). Under this alternative, MTMC would competitively select full service contractor(s) for defined regions. The contractor(s) selected for each region would be responsible for all management, administrative, and operational functions currently performed by PPSOs (Personal Property Shipping Offices), PPPOs (Personal Property Processing Offices), and carriers. PPSO and PPPO functions include, but are not limited to, service member counseling, shipping document preparation, management report generation, arranging movement of all types of domestic and international outbound shipments, managing the storage and delivery of all types of domestic and international inbound shipments, managing long term storage, and evaluation of performance and customer satisfaction. Carrier functions include, but are not limited to, pre-move surveys, shipment packing, onward shipment movement, storage-in-transit, long term storage, shipment delivery, shipment unpacking, and claims settlement.

Under this proposed contracting approach, subcontracting goals will be included to ensure capability (particularly during the peak season) and continued viability of small, small disadvantaged, and women-owned carriers.

In formulating comments, the following issues should be considered: The ability to expand operations during emergencies or during peak shipping season; subcontracting, specifically to small, small and disadvantaged, and women-owned businesses; the ability to manage the movement of all types of personal property shipments, to include, but not limited to, unaccompanied baggage, household goods, mobile homes, and boats; the ability to manage administrative processes, to include, but not limited to, methods for billing and payment of transportation and transportation related charges; direct settlement with property owners for loss and/or damage claims; establishment of rate structures; establishment of performance evaluation criterion; and management of long and short term storage.

If this alternative business practice is pursued, the carrier industry will also

be afforded the opportunity to comment on a draft solicitation, as well as to attend pre-solicitation and pre-proposal conferences.

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Intent To Prepare a Draft Joint Environmental Impact Statement/ Environmental Impact Report (DEIS/ EIR) for the Los Angeles County Drainage Area Water Conservation and Supply Study, Hansen and Lopez Reservoirs, Los Angeles County, California

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

ACTION: Notice of intent.

SUMMARY: The Los Angeles District will prepare a joint EIS/EIR to evaluate the feasibility of establishing both a year-round water conservation pool and seasonal water supply pool at Hansen Reservoir and a year-round water conservation pool at Lopez Reservoir. Both reservoirs are located in the San Fernando Valley area of Los Angeles County and both are components of the Los Angeles County Drainage Area (LACDA) system. The study was developed in response to local concerns regarding future water supply sources, given continued regional population growth, dwindling imported water supplies, and continued increases in the cost of water. Establishment of water conservation at these reservoirs would increase groundwater reserves by extending the period water is available for release to downstream spreading grounds.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Questions about the proposed action and DEIS/EIR can be answered by: Mr. Gary Gunther, Study Manager, (213) 894-3825, or Mr. William Butler, Environmental Manager, (213) 894-0245, P.O. Box 2711, Los Angeles, California 90053-22325.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

a. Authority

Study authority is provided under authority of the Energy and Water Development Appropriations Act of 1993 (Pub. L. 102-377).

b. Proposed Action/Alternatives

The proposed action for Hansen Reservoir would utilize the existing debris pool up to elevation 1010.5 ft NGVD and portions of the flood control

pool on a seasonable basis up to elevation 1040.0 ft NGVD for water conservation purposes.

The proposed action for Lopez Reservoir would utilize the entire debris pool storage volume (elevation 1,272.92 feet) for year-round water conservation. Releases would match the intake capacity of the downstream spreading grounds. No seasonal pool is proposed.

c. Scoping

An extensive mailing list has been developed which includes Federal, State and local agencies and other interested public and private organizations and parties. Individuals on the mailing list will be sent a copy of each notice announcing a public scoping meeting. An initial public scoping meeting was held on March 21, 1995. Additional public meetings will be scheduled during the review period for the draft EIS/EIR. Specific meeting dates, times, and places will be published in local newspapers. Formal coordination with the appropriate Federal, State and local agencies has begun.

d. Potentially Significant Issues

Potentially significant issues identified include impacts to land and water use, biological resources including endangered species and riparian resources, recreation and cultural resources, and sand and gravel mining operations.

e. Availability of the Draft EIS/EIR

The draft EIS/EIR is expected to be available to the public for review and comment beginning in September of 1997.

f. Comments

Comments and questions regarding the project may be addressed to: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Los Angeles District, ATTN: Mr. Gary Gunther, CESPL-PD-WA, or Mr. William Butler, CESPL-PD-RN, P.O. Box 2711, Los Angeles, California 90053-22325.

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