

**DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE****Office of Justice Programs**

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**National Institute of Justice  
Solicitation for Evaluations of the  
Residential Substance Abuse  
Treatment for State Prisoners Program  
(1997)****AGENCY:** Office of Justice Programs,  
National Institute of Justice, Justice.**ACTION:** Notice of solicitation.**SUMMARY:** Announcement of the availability of the National Institute of Justice "Solicitation for Evaluations of the Residential Substance Abuse Treatment for State Prisoners Program (1997)."**DATES:** The deadline for receipt of applications is close of business June 24, 1997.**ADDRESSES:** Applications should be mailed to the National Institute of Justice, 633 Indiana Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20531.**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For a copy of the solicitation, please call NCJRS 1-800-851-3420. For general information about application procedures for solicitations, please call the U.S. Department of Justice Response Center 1-800-421-6771.**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:****Authority**

This action is authorized under the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968, sections 201-03, as amended, 42 U.S.C. 3721-23 (1994).

**Background**

The National Institute of Justice is soliciting proposals for evaluations of the Residential Substance Abuse Treatment for State Prisoners Program. Each of these state programs must: last between 6 and 12 months; be provided in residential facilities set apart from general population; be directed at substance abuse problems of the inmate; and intend to develop a number of skills so as to solve substance abuse and related problems. Each State must also ensure coordination between correctional representatives and other appropriate agencies.

It is expected that up to 14 separate awards of up to \$60,000 will be granted for a period of 15 months. The evaluations will be for local programs in individual states with preference given to programs not currently under evaluation. Some discretion is provided

in regard to specific topics but all evaluations must, to the extent possible, collaborate with the national evaluation of this program.

Interested organizations should call the National Criminal Justice Reference Service (NCJRS) at 1-800-851-3420 to obtain a copy of "Solicitation for Evaluations of the Residential Substance Abuse Treatment for State Prisoners Program (1997)" (refer to document no. SL000220). The solicitation is available electronically via the NCJRS Bulletin Board, which can be accessed via the Internet. Telnet to ncjrsbbs.ncjrs.org, or gopher to ncjrs.org:71. For World Wide Web access, connect to the NCJRS Justice Information Center at http://www.ncjrs.org. Those without Internet access can dial the NCJRS Bulletin Board via modem: dial 301-738-8895. Set the modem at 9600 baud, 8-N-1.

**Jeremy Travis,***Director, National Institute of Justice.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF LABOR****Office of the Secretary****Submission for OMB Review;  
Comment Request**

May 13, 1997.

The Department of Labor (DOL) has submitted the following public information collection request (ICR) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13, 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35). A copy of this ICR, with applicable supporting documentation, may be obtained by calling the Department of Labor, Departmental Clearance Officer, Theresa M. O'Malley ((202) 219-5096 ext. 143). Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TTY/TDD) may call (202) 219-4720 between 1:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. Eastern time, Monday through Friday.

Comments should be sent to Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attn: OMB Desk Officer, Mine Safety and Health Administration, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503 ((202) 395-7316), within 30 days from the date of this publication in the **Federal Register**.

The OMB is particularly interested in comments which:

- Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including

whether the information will have practical utility;

- Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

*Agency:* Mine Safety and Health Administration.

*Title:* Notification of Methane Detected in Mine Atmosphere.

*OMB Number:* 1219-0103 (reinstatement, without change).

*Frequency:* On occasion.

*Affected Public:* Business or other for-profit.

*Number of Respondents:* 8.

*Estimated Time Per Respondent:* 15 minutes.

*Total Burden Hours:* 31 hours.

*Total Annualized capital/startup costs:* 0.

*Total annual costs (operating/maintaining systems or purchasing services):* \$2,000.

*Description:* This collection of information requires operators of underground metal and nonmetal mines to (a) Notify the Mine Safety and Health Administration when there is an outburst, a blowout, or ignition of methane in the mine atmosphere; (b) test mine atmosphere for methane at least once a week, and to certify that the tests have been conducted, (c) inform the affected persons when examinations disclose hazardous conditions.

**Theresa M. O'Malley,***Departmental Clearance Officer.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF LABOR****Employment and Training  
Administration****General Statutory and Work-Flex  
Waiver Request; Comment Request****ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Labor, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden conducts a preclearance consultation

program to provide the general public and Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing collections of information in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA95) [44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)]. This program helps to ensure that requested data can be provided in the desired format, reporting burden (time and financial resources) is minimized, collection instruments are clearly understood, and the impact of collection requirements on respondents can be properly assessed. Currently, the Employment and Training Administration is soliciting comments concerning the proposed extension of collection of the Workforce Flexibility (Work-Flex) Partnership Demonstration Program and General Statutory Waivers.

A copy of the proposed information collection request (ICR) can be obtained by contacting the office listed below in the addressee section of this notice.

**DATES:** Written comments must be submitted to the office listed in the addressee section below on or before July 15, 1997.

The Department of Labor is particularly interested in comments which:

- Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;
- Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submissions of responses.

**ADDRESSES:** Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration, James M. Aaron, 200 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, DC 20210; telephone number (202) 219-5580, x174 (this is not a toll free number).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### I. Background

Based on OMB request approvals 1205-0375 and 1205-0376, the ETA issued TEGLs 6-96 and 7-96 to provide

guidance to the employment and training community and submittal of waivers. Because these waivers were granted under emergency procedures the period covered only extended to June 30. This period was subsequently extended until September 30. To permit States the opportunity to continue to submit such requests an extension of this authority is needed.

##### II. Current Actions

ETA is anticipating upwards of 600 waiver requests during the next several months. Only the waiver requests from Oregon have been approved thus far. The authority requested remains unchanged. It would permit States to submit general statutory waiver request covering Titles I-III of the JTPA and sections 8-10 of Wagner Peyser. The same exclusions would be retained under this request. Also it would permit submittal of work-flex applications if the full contingent of six States have not been approved based on the initial round of applications.

*Type of Review:* Extension of a currently approved collection.

*Agency:* U.S. Department of Labor/ETA.

*Title:* Workforce Flexibility (Work-Flex) Partnership Demonstration Program.

*OMB Number:* 1205-0375.

*Affected Public:* States.

*Total Respondents:* 56.

*Frequency:* On occasion.

*Total Responses:* 10 potential.

*Average Time per Response:* 80.

*Estimated Total Burden Hours:* 800.

*Total Burden Cost (capital/startup):* -0-

*Total Burden Cost (operating/maintaining):* \$2,500.

*Title:* General Statutory Waivers.

*OMB Number:* 1205-0376.

*Affected Public:* States.

*Total Respondents:* 56.

*Frequency:* On occasion.

*Total Responses:* 20 potential.

*Average Time per Response:* 80.

*Estimated Total Burden Hours:* 1600.

*Total Burden Cost (capital/startup):* -0-

*Total Burden Cost (operating/maintaining):* \$2,500.

Comments submitted in response to this comment request will be summarized and/or included in the request for Office of Management and Budget approval of the information collection request; they will also become a matter of public record.

Dated: May 12, 1997.

**Charles Atkinson,**

*Deputy Administrator, Office of Job Training Programs.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

### Employment Standards Administration

#### Wage and Hour Division; Minimum Wages for Federal and Federally Assisted Construction; General Wage Determination Decisions

General wage determination decisions of the Secretary of Labor are issued in accordance with applicable law and are based on the information obtained by the Department of Labor from its study of local wage conditions and data made available from other sources. They specify the basic hourly wage rates and fringe benefits which are determined to be prevailing for the described classes of laborers and mechanics employed on construction projects of a similar character and in the localities specified therein.

The determinations in these decisions of prevailing rates and fringe benefits have been made in accordance with 29 CFR Part 1, by authority of the Secretary of Labor pursuant to the provisions of the Davis-Bacon Act of March 3, 1931, as amended (46 Stat. 1494, as amended, 40 U.S.C. 276a) and of other Federal statutes referred to in 29 CFR Part 1, Appendix, as well as such additional statutes as may from time to time be enacted containing provisions for the payment of wages determined to be prevailing by the Secretary of Labor in accordance with the Davis-Bacon Act. The prevailing rates and fringe benefits determined in these decisions shall, in accordance with the provisions of the foregoing statutes, constitute the minimum wages payable on Federal and federally assisted construction projects to laborers and mechanics of the specified classes engaged on contract work of the character and in the localities described therein.

Good cause is hereby found for not utilizing notice and public comment procedure thereon prior to the issuance of these determinations as prescribed in 5 U.S.C. 553 and not providing for delay in the effective date as prescribed in that section, because the necessity to issue current construction industry wage determinations frequently and in large volume causes procedures to be impractical and contrary to the public interest.