

**DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND  
URBAN DEVELOPMENT**

[Docket No. FR-4644-N-27]

**Federal Property Suitable as Facilities  
To Assist the Homeless**

**AGENCY:** Office of the Assistant Secretary for Community Planning and Development, HUD.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This Notice identifies unutilized, underutilized, excess, and surplus Federal property reviewed by HUD for suitability for possible use to assist the homeless.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** July 6, 2001.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Clifford Taffet, Department of Housing and Urban Development, Room 7262, 451 Seventh Street SW., Washington, DC 20410; telephone (202) 708-1234; TTY number for the hearing- and speech-impaired (202) 708-2565, (these telephone numbers are not toll-free), or call the toll-free Title V information line at 1-800-927-7588.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** In accordance with the December 12, 1988 court order in *National Coalition for the Homeless v. Veterans Administration*, No. 88-2503-OG (D.D.C.), HUD publishes a Notice, on a weekly basis, identifying unutilized, underutilized, excess and surplus Federal buildings and real property that HUD has reviewed for suitability for use to assist the homeless.

Today's Notice is for the purpose of announcing that no additional properties have been determined suitable or unsuitable this week.

Dated: June 28, 2001.

**John D. Garrity,**

*Director, Office of Special Needs Assistance Programs.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR****Fish and Wildlife Service****DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE****Forest Service****Availability of a Draft Environmental  
Impact Statement Evaluating the  
Environmental Effects of Providing  
Fish Passage Through the  
Leavenworth National Fish Hatchery  
and Providing Riverine Habitat Within  
the Hatchery Grounds**

**AGENCY:** Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior (Lead Agency); Forest Service, Agriculture (Cooperating Agency).

**ACTION:** Notice of availability.

**SUMMARY:** When the Bureau of Reclamation (Interior) built the Leavenworth National Fish Hatchery along the west bank of the Icicle Creek, a tributary to the Wenatchee and Columbia Rivers, in 1939, it modified the original Icicle Creek channel into a series of adult salmon and steelhead holding and juvenile rearing ponds. The main flow of Icicle Creek was diverted into a dammed manmade canal. Fish passage to creek areas above the hatchery was deliberately blocked. Holding and rearing fish in the modified channel worked poorly and was abandoned in 1979 when the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) built a conventional fish ladder and two holding ponds immediately downstream of the dam at the tail end of the manmade canal. Use of the ponds in the original creek bed was abandoned.

The Service, in cooperation with the U.S. Forest Service, has completed the preparation of a draft Environmental Impact Statement addressing the potential effects on the human environment that may result from removing the obstacles in Icicle Creek to provide fish passage to areas above the hatchery and to provide riverine habitat within the hatchery grounds.

The draft Environmental Impact Statement is available for public review and comment. All comments received, including names and addresses, will become part of the administrative record and may be made available to the public.

**DATES:** The comment period will end on August 20, 2001.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments should be addressed to Ms. Corky Broadus, Supervisory Information and Education Specialist, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Leavenworth National Fish Hatchery Complex, 12790 Hatchery Road, Leavenworth, Washington 98826.

Written comments may also be sent via facsimile to (509) 548-6263.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Greg Pratschner, Project Leader, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Leavenworth National Fish Hatchery Complex, Leavenworth, Washington 98826, at (509)548-7641.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:****Document Availability**

Copies of the draft Environmental Impact Statement are available for review at the following government offices and libraries:

Government Offices: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Leavenworth National Fish Hatchery, 12790 Hatchery Road, Leavenworth, Washington 98826, (509) 548-7641; U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Mid-Columbia River Fisheries Resource Office, 12790 Hatchery Road, Leavenworth, Washington 98826, (509) 548-7573; U.S. Forest Service, Leavenworth Ranger District, 600 Sherbourne, Leavenworth, Washington 98826, (509) 548-6977; U.S. Forest Service, Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest, Supervisor's Office, 215 Melody Lane, Wenatchee, Washington 98801, (509) 662-4335.

Libraries: Leavenworth Public Library, 700 Highway 2, Leavenworth, Washington 98826, (509) 548-7923; Wenatchee Public Library, 310 Douglas, Wenatchee, Washington 98801, (509) 662-5021; East Wenatchee Public Library, 271 Ninth Street Northeast, East Wenatchee, Washington 98802, (509) 886-7404; Cashmere Public Library, 101 Woodring, Cashmere, Washington 98815, (509) 782-3314.

**Background**

Pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act, the Service prepared a draft Environmental Impact Statement evaluating the consequences of a proposed action to remove instream structures in Icicle Creek, a tributary of the Wenatchee River, near Leavenworth, Washington. When the Leavenworth National Fish Hatchery (Hatchery) was built in 1939, the original Icicle Creek channel was modified into a series of salmon and steelhead holding ponds with the instream placement of weirs, dams, and a headgate which controlled flow through the ponds. Fish passage to areas above the Hatchery was deliberately blocked. Flow in Icicle Creek was diverted downstream via a manmade canal bounded on the downstream end by a velocity barrier dam and spillway. The use of the instream ponds to hold returning salmon and steelhead was abandoned in 1979 due to recurrent water temperature