

statement must structure their participation in the environmental review of the proposal so that it is meaningful and alerts an agency to the reviewer's position and contentions. *Vermont Yankee Nuclear Power Corp. v. NRDC*, 435 U.S. 519,553 (1978). Also, environmental objections that could be raised at the draft environmental impact statement stage but that are not raised until after completion of the final environmental impact statement may be waived or dismissed by the courts. *City of Angoon v. Hodel*, 803 F.2d 1016, 1022 (9th Cir. 1986) and *Wisconsin Heritages, Inc. v. Harris*, 490 F. Supp. 1334, 1338 (E.D. Wis. 1980). Because of these court rulings, it is very important that those interested in this proposed action participate by the close of the 45-day comment period so that substantive comments and objections are made available to the Forest Service at a time when it can meaningfully consider them and respond to them in the final environmental impact statement.

To assist the Forest Service in identifying and considering issues and concerns on the proposed action, comments on the draft environmental impact statement should be as specific as possible. It is also helpful if comments refer to specific pages or chapters of the draft statement. Comments may also address the adequacy of the draft environmental impact statement or the merits of the alternatives formulated and discussed in the statement. Reviewers may wish to refer to the Council on Environmental Quality Regulations for implementing the procedural provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act at 40 CFR 1503.3 in addressing these points.

The responsible official will make the decision on this proposal after considering comments and responses, environmental consequences discussed in the final EIS, applicable laws, regulations, and policies. The decision and reasons for the decision will be documented in a Record of Decision.

Dated: January 23, 2002.

Peri Suenram,

Acting Forest Supervisor.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Rural Business-Cooperative Service

Inviting Preapplications for Technical Assistance for Rural Transportation Systems

AGENCY: Rural Business-Cooperative Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Rural Business-Cooperative Service (RBS), an Agency within the Rural Development mission area, announces the availability of two individual grants; one single \$500,000 grant from the passenger transportation funds appropriated for the RBS Rural Business Enterprise Grant (RBEG) program and another single \$250,000 grant from the Federally Recognized Native American Tribes funds appropriated for RBS under the RBEG Program for Fiscal Year (FY) 2002. Each grant is to be competitively awarded to a qualified national organization. These grants are to provide technical assistance for rural transportation.

DATES: The deadline for receipt of preapplications in the Rural Development State Office is March 1, 2002. Preapplications received at a Rural Development State Office after that date would not be considered for FY 2002 funding.

ADDRESSES: For further information, entities wishing to apply for assistance should contact a Rural Development State Office to receive further information and copies of the preapplication package. Potential applicants located in the District of Columbia must send their preapplications to the National Office by the date indicated above.

District of Columbia

Rural Business-Cooperative Service, USDA, Specialty Lenders Division, Room 6867, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20250-3225, (202) 720-1400.

A list of Rural Development State Offices follows:

Alabama

USDA Rural Development State Office, Sterling Center, Suite 601, 4121 Carmichael Road, Montgomery, AL 36106-3683, (334) 279-3400

Alaska

USDA Rural Development State Office, 800 West Evergreen, Suite 201, Palmer, AK 99645-6539, (907) 761-7705.

Arizona

USDA Rural Development State Office, 3003 North Central Avenue, Suite 900, Phoenix, AZ 85012-2906, (602) 280-8700.

Arkansas

USDA Rural Development State Office, 700 West Capitol Avenue, Room 3416, Little Rock, AR 72201-3225, (501) 301-3200.

California

USDA Rural Development State Office, 430 G Street, Agency 4169, Davis, CA 95616-4169, (530) 792-5800.

Colorado

USDA Rural Development State Office, 655 Parfet Street, Room E-100, Lakewood, CO 80215, (720) 544-2903.

Delaware-Maryland

USDA Rural Development State Office, P.O. Box 400, 4607 South DuPont Highway, Camden, DE 19934-9998, (302) 697-4300.

Florida/Virgin Islands

USDA Rural Development State Office, P.O. Box 147010, 4440 NW. 25th Place, Gainesville, FL 32606, (352) 338-3402.

Georgia

USDA Rural Development State Office, Stephens Federal Building 355 E. Hancock Avenue, Athens, GA 30601-2768, (706) 546-2162.

Hawaii

USDA Rural Development State Office, Federal Building, Room 311, 154 Waiannuenu Avenue, Hilo, HI 96720, (808) 933-8380.

Idaho

USDA Rural Development State Office, 9173 West Barnes Dr., Suite A1, Boise, ID 83709, (208) 378-5600.

Illinois

USDA Rural Development State Office, 2118 West Park Court, Suite A, Champaign, IL 61821, (217) 403-6202.

Indiana

USDA Rural Development State Office, 5975 Lakeside Boulevard, Indianapolis, IN 46278, (317) 290-3100.

Iowa

USDA Rural Development State Office, Federal Building, Room 873, 210 Walnut Street, Des Moines, IA 50309-2196, (515) 284-4663.

Kansas

USDA Rural Development State Office, Suite 100, 1303 SW First American Place, Topeka, KS 66604, (785) 271-2700.

Kentucky

USDA Rural Development State Office, 771 Corporate Drive, Suite 200, Lexington, KY 40503, (859) 224-7300.

Louisiana

USDA Rural Development State Office
3727 Government Street, Alexandria,
LA 71302, (318) 473-7921.

Maine

USDA Rural Development State Office,
P.O. Box 405, 967 Illinois Avenue,
Suite 4, Bangor, ME 04402-0405,
(207) 990-9106.

**Massachusetts/Rhode Island/
Connecticut**

USDA Rural Development State Office
451 West Street, Suite 2, Amherst,
MA 01002-2999, (413) 253-4300.

Michigan

USDA Rural Development State Office
3001 Coolidge Road, Suite 200, East
Lansing, MI 48823, (517) 324-5100.

Minnesota

USDA Rural Development State Office
410 AgriBank Building 375 Jackson
Street, St. Paul, MN 55101-1853,
(651) 602-7800.

Mississippi

USDA Rural Development State Office,
Federal Building, Suite 831, 100 West
Capitol Street, Jackson, MS 39269,
(601) 965-4316.

Missouri

USDA Rural Development State Office
601 Business Loop 70 West, Parkade
Center, Suite 235, Columbia, MO
65203, (573) 876-0976.

Montana

USDA Rural Development State Office,
P.O. Box 771, 900 Technology Blvd.,
Unit 1, Suite B, Bozeman, MT 59715,
(406) 585-2580.

Nebraska

USDA Rural Development State Office,
Federal Building, Room 152, 100
Centennial Mall North, Lincoln, NE
68508, (402) 437-5551.

Nevada

USDA Rural Development State Office
1390 South Curry Street, Carson City,
NV 89703-9910, (775) 887-1222.

New Jersey

USDA Rural Development State Office,
Tarnsfield Plaza, Suite 22, 790
Woodlane Road, Mt. Holly, NJ 08060,
(609) 265-3600.

New Mexico

USDA Rural Development State Office
6200 Jefferson Street, NE., Room 255,
Albuquerque, NM 87109, (505) 761-
4950.

New York

USDA Rural Development State Office,
The Galleries of Syracuse 441 South
Salina Street, Suite 357, Syracuse, NY
13202-2541, (315) 477-6400.

North Carolina

USDA Rural Development State Office
4405 Bland Road, Suite 260, Raleigh,
NC 27609, (919) 873-2000.

North Dakota

USDA Rural Development State Office,
P.O. Box 1737, Federal Building,
Room 208, 220 East Rosser Avenue,
Bismarck, ND 58502-1737, (701) 530-
2037.

Ohio

USDA Rural Development State Office,
Federal Building, Room 507, 200
North High Street, Columbus, OH
43215-2418, (614) 255-2500.

Oklahoma

USDA Rural Development State Office,
100 USDA, Suite 108, Stillwater, OK
74074-2654, (405) 742-1000.

Oregon

USDA Rural Development State Office,
101 SW Main Street, Suite
1410, Portland, OR 97204-3222, (503)
414-3300.

Pennsylvania

USDA Rural Development State Office,
One Credit Union Place, Suite 330,
Harrisburg, PA 17110-2996, (717)
237-2299.

Puerto Rico

USDA Rural Development State Office,
654 Munoz Rivera Avenue, IBM Plaza,
Suite 601, Hato Rey, Puerto Rico
00918-6106, (787) 766-5095.

South Carolina

USDA Rural Development State Office,
Strom Thurmond Federal Building,
1835 Assembly Street, Room 1007,
Columbia, SC 29201, (803) 765-5163.

South Dakota

USDA Rural Development State Office,
Federal Building, Room 210, 200 4th
Street, SW., Huron, SD 57350, (605)
352-1100.

Tennessee

USDA Rural Development State Office,
3322 West End Avenue, Suite
300, Nashville, TN 37203-1084, (615)
783-1300.

Texas

USDA Rural Development State Office,
Federal Building, Suite 102, 101
South Main Street, Temple, TX 76501,
(254) 742-9700.

Utah

USDA Rural Development State Office,
Wallace F. Bennett Federal Building,
125 South State Street, Room 4311,
P.O. Box 11350, Salt Lake City, UT
84147-0350, (801) 524-4321.

Vermont/New Hampshire

USDA Rural Development State Office,
City Center, 3rd Floor, 89 Main Street,
Montpelier, VT 05602, (802) 828-
6010.

Virginia

USDA Rural Development State Office,
Culpeper Building, Suite 238, 1606
Santa Rosa Road, Richmond, VA
23229-5014, (804) 287-1550.

Washington

USDA Rural Development State Office,
1835 Black Lake Boulevard, SW., Suite
B, Olympia, WA 98512-5715, (360)
704-7740.

West Virginia

USDA Rural Development State Office,
Federal Building, 75 High Street,
Room 320, Morgantown, WV 26505-
7500, (304) 284-4860.

Wisconsin

USDA Rural Development State Office,
4949 Kirschling Court, Stevens Point,
WI 54481, (715) 345-7610.

Wyoming

USDA Rural Development State Office,
Federal Building, Room 1005, 100
East B Street, P.O. Box 820, Casper,
WY 82602, (307) 261-6300.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The passenger transportation portion of the RBEG program is authorized by section 310B(c)(2) of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act (CONACT) (7 U.S.C. 1932(c)(2)). The RBEG program is administered on behalf of RBS at the state level by the Rural Development State Offices. The primary objective of the program is to improve the economic conditions of rural areas. Assistance provided to rural areas under this program may include on-site technical assistance to local and regional governments, public transit agencies, and related nonprofit and for-profit organizations in rural areas; the development of training materials; and the provision of necessary training assistance to local officials and agencies in rural areas.

Awards under the RBEG passenger transportation program are made on a competitive basis to a qualified national organization using specific selection criteria contained in 7 CFR part 1942, subpart G, and in accordance with section 310B(c)(2) of the CONACT. 7

CFR part 1942, subpart G, also contains the information required to be in the preapplication package. For the \$250,000 grant, at least 75 percent of the benefits of the project must be received by members of Federally Recognized Tribes. The project that scores the greatest number of points based on the selection criteria will be selected for each grant. Preapplications will be tentatively scored by the State Offices and submitted to the National Office for review, final scoring, and selection.

To be considered "national", a qualified organization is required to provide evidence that it operates in multi-state areas. There is not a requirement to use the grant funds in a multi-state area. Under this notice, grants will be made to qualified private non-profit organizations for the provision of technical assistance and training to rural communities for the purpose of improving passenger transportation services or facilities. Public bodies are not eligible for passenger transportation RBEG grants.

The information collection requirements of the RBEG program (7 CFR part 1942, subpart G) have received clearance by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) under OMB Control Number 0570-0022.

Fiscal Year 2002 Preapplications Submission

Each preapplication received in a Rural Development State Office will be reviewed to determine if this preapplication is consistent with the eligible purposes contained in section 310B(c)(2) of the CONACT. Each selection priority criterion outlined in 7 CFR part 1942, subpart G, section 1942.305(b)(3), must be addressed in the preapplication. Failure to address any of the criteria will result in a zero-point score for that criterion and will impact the overall evaluation of the preapplication. Copies of 7 CFR part 1942, subpart G, will be provided to any interested applicant making a request to a Rural Development State Office listed in this notice. All projects to receive technical assistance through these passenger transportation grant funds are to be identified when the preapplications are submitted to the Rural Development State Office. Multiple project preapplications must identify each individual project, indicate the amount of funding requested for each individual project, and address the criteria as stated above for each individual project. For multiple-project preapplications, the average of the individual project scores will be the score for that preapplication.

All eligible preapplications, along with tentative scoring sheets and the Rural Development State Director's recommendation, will be referred to the National Office no later than April 12, 2002, for final scoring and selection for award.

The National Office will score preapplications based on the grant selection criteria and weights contained in 7 CFR part 1942, subpart G, and will select a grantee subject to the grantee's satisfactory submission of a formal application and related materials in the manner and time frame established by RBS in accordance with 7 CFR part 1942, subpart G. It is anticipated that the grantees will be selected by June 3, 2002. All applicants will be notified by RBS of the Agency decision on the award.

Dated: January 16, 2002.

William F. Hagy III,

Acting Administrator, Rural Business-Cooperative Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Bureau of Export Administration

Information Systems Technical Advisory Committee; Notice of Partically Closed Meeting

The Information Systems Technical Advisory Committee (ISTAC) will meet on February 14 & 15, 2002, 9:00 a.m., at the Space and Naval Warfare Systems Center (SSC), Point Loma, San Diego, California. The ISTAC advised the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Export Administration on technical questions that affect the level of export controls applicable to information systems equipment and technology.

Agenda

February 14

Public Session

1. Opening remarks and introductions.
2. Comments or presentations from the public.
3. SSC Information Assurance Project.
4. Introduction to Third Generation Input/Output (3GIO).
5. Trusted Computing Platform Alliance.
6. Department of Defense Software Protection Initiative.
7. Review of Computer-Aided Design (CAD) software controls.

February 14-15

Closed Session

8. Discussion of matters properly classified under Executive Order 12958, dealing with U.S. export control programs and strategic criteria related thereto.

A limited number of seats will be available for the public session. Reservations are not accepted. To the extent time permits, members of the public may present oral statements to the ISTAC. The public may submit written statements at any time before or after the meeting. However, to facilitate distribution of public presentation materials to Committee members, the ISTAC suggests that public presentation materials or comments be forwarded before the meeting to the address listed below:

Ms. Lee Ann Carpenter, OSIES/EA/BXA, MS:
3876, U.S. Department of Commerce,
14th St. & Constitution Ave., NW.,
Washington, DC 20230

The Assistant Secretary for Administration, with the concurrence of the delegate of the General Counsel, formally determined on September 7, 2001, pursuant to section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended, that the series of meetings or portions of meetings of the Committee and of any Subcommittees thereof dealing with the classified materials listed in 5 U.S.C. 552(c)(1) shall be exempt from the provisions relating to public meetings found in section 10(a)(1) and (a)(3) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act. The remaining series of meetings or portions thereof will be open to the public.

A copy of the Notice of Determination to close meetings or portions of meetings of this Committee is available for public inspection and copying in the Central Reference and Records Inspection Facility, Room 6020, U.S. Department of Commerce, Washington, DC. For more information or copies of the minutes call Lee Ann Carpenter, 202-482-2583.

Dated: January 22, 2002.

Lee Ann Carpenter,

Committee Liaison Officer.

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