

The Notice is soliciting comments from members of the public and affected agencies concerning the proposed collection of information to: (1) Evaluate whether the proposed collection is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (3) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond; including the use of appropriate automated collection techniques or other form of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

This Notice also lists the following information:

Title of Proposal: Federally Assisted Low-Income Housing Drug Elimination Grant Program.

OMB Control Number: 2502-0476.

Description of the need for the information and proposed use: Federally Assisted Low-Income Housing Drug Elimination Grants were authorized through yearly appropriations. Owners were eligible to apply for grants to fund security, and crime elimination activity in Federally assisted low-income housing projects. Funding for this program has not been appropriated since Fiscal Year 2001, but quarterly progress reports are still required. However, the Department will use program-end Performance Reports to determine how well grant funds were used in meeting stated program goals and in fighting drug-related crime and drug abuse. Grantees will also be able to evaluate their efforts through the completion of this report and will have data and evidence of program effectiveness available for both their future use and that of the public. HUD will use the Payment Voucher to monitor use of grant funds for eligible activities over the term of the grant. The grantee may similarly use this voucher to track and record their requests for payment reimbursement for grant-funded activities.

Agency Form Numbers, if applicable: HUD-50080-DF2B and SF-269.

Estimation of the total numbers of hours needed to prepare the information collection including number of respondents, frequency of response, and hours of response: The estimated number of respondents is 450 generating approximately 1,050 annual responses; the frequency of response is on occasion, quarterly, semi-annually, and annually; the estimated time needed to prepare the response varies from 15

minutes to 8 hours; and the total annual burden hours is estimated to be 1,950.

States of the proposed information collection: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Authority: The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. chapter 35, as amended.

Dated: May 9, 2003.

Sean G. Cassidy,

General Deputy Assistant Secretary for Housing-Deputy Federal Housing Commissioner.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-4723-FA-23]

Announcement of Funding Awards for the Community Development Technical Assistance Programs; Fiscal Year 2002

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

ACTION: Notice of funding awards.

SUMMARY: In accordance with section 102 (a)(4)(C) of the Department of Housing and Urban Development Reform Act of 1989, this announcement notifies the public of funding decisions made by the Department in a competition for funding under the Super Notice of Funding Availability (SuperNOFA) for the Community Development Technical Assistance Programs. This announcement contains the names of the awardees and the amounts of the awards made available by HUD.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jean Whaley, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street, SW., Washington, DC 20410; telephone (202) 708-3176 extension 2774 (this is not a toll-free number). Hearing- and speech-impaired persons may access this number via TTY by calling the Federal Relay Service toll-free at 1-800-877-8339. For general information on this and other HUD programs, call Community Connections at 1-800-998-9999 or visit the HUD Web site at <http://www.hud.gov>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Fiscal Year 2002 Community Development Technical Assistance program is designed to increase the effectiveness of HUD's HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME), McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance programs (Homeless), and Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) through the selection of technical

assistance (TA) providers for these three programs. The purposes of technical assistance under these three programs are as follows:

HOME Technical Assistance. To help HOME participating jurisdictions design and implement HOME programs, including improving their ability to design and implement housing strategies and incorporate energy efficiency into affordable housing; facilitating the exchange of information to help participating jurisdictions carry out their programs; facilitating the establishment and efficient operation of employer-assisted housing programs and land bank programs; and encouraging private lenders and for-profit developers of low-income housing to participate in public-private partnerships.

McKinney-Vento Act Homeless Assistance Programs Technical Assistance. To provide applicants, potential applicants, grantees, and project sponsors for McKinney-Vento Act funded Emergency Shelter Grants, Supportive Housing Program, Section 8 Moderate Rehabilitation Single Room Occupancy and Shelter Plus Care projects with technical assistance that promotes the development of housing and supportive services, as part of the Continuum of Care approach, to assist homeless persons in the transition from homelessness and to enable them to live as independently as possible.

HOPWA Technical Assistance. To train HOPWA grantees, project sponsors, and potential recipients of program funds in comprehensive housing strategies and responsive area programs that assist residents who are living with HIV/AIDS, and in the sound management of efficient and effective HOPWA programs. The grants also build the capacity of nonprofit organizations to carry out activities as HOPWA project sponsors.

The assistance made available in this announcement is authorized by the following:

The HOME Technical Assistance Program is authorized by the HOME Investment Partnerships Act (42 U.S.C. 12781-12783); 24 CFR part 92.

For the McKinney-Vento Act Homeless Assistance Programs Technical Assistance, the Supportive Housing Program is authorized under 42 U.S.C. 11381 *et seq.*; 24 CFR 583.140. The Emergency Shelter Grant, Section 8 Moderate Rehabilitation Single Room Occupancy Program, and Shelter Plus Care Technical Assistance Program are authorized under Pub. L. 107-73, Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development and

Independent Agencies Appropriations Act, 2002.

The HOPWA program is authorized under the AIDS Housing Opportunities Act (42 U.S.C. 12901) and the HOPWA regulations are found at 24 CFR part 574. The HOPWA Technical Assistance program is authorized under Pub. L. 107-73, Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development

and Independent Agencies Appropriations Act, 2002.

The competition was announced in the SuperNOFA published March 26, 2002 (67 FR 13893). Applications were rated and selected for funding on the basis of selection criteria contained in that Notice.

For the Fiscal Year 2002 competition, a total of \$9,830,481 was awarded to 41 technical assistance providers nationwide. In accordance with section

102(a)(4)(C) of the Department of Housing and Urban Development Reform Act of 1989 (103 Stat. 1987, 42 U.S.C. 3545), the Department is publishing the grantees and amounts of the awards in Appendix A to this document.

Dated: May 12, 2003.

Roy A. Bernardi,
Assistant Secretary for Community, Planning and Development.

APPENDIX A.—FISCAL YEAR 2002 FUNDING AWARDS FOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

TA Provider	City	State	TA Award
HOME TA Awards			
State of Alaska, Alaska Housing Finance Corporation	Anchorage	AK	\$50,000.00
Rural Community Assistance Corporation	West Sacramento	CA	142,100.00
Dennison Associates, Inc	Washington	DC	329,670.00
National Affordable Housing Training Institute	Washington	DC	500,000.00
Tonya, Inc	Washington	DC	1,111,607.00
Florida Planning Group, Inc	Jacksonville	FL	29,800.00
Chicago Rehab Network	Chicago	IL	78,500.00
Abt Associates, Inc	Cambridge	MA	45,000.00
The Enterprise Foundation	Columbia	MD	105,966.00
Coastal Enterprises, Inc	Wiscasset	ME	25,000.00
State of Michigan Dept. of Consumer & Industry Services	Lansing	MI	119,800.00
Minnesota Housing Partnership	St. Paul	MN	50,000.00
Training and Development Associates, Inc	Laurinburg	NC	232,800.00
Supportive Housing Network of New York	New York	NY	20,312.00
Ohio CDC Association	Columbus	OH	67,130.00
Neighborhood Partnership Fund	Portland	OR	30,300.00
Capital Access, Inc	Philadelphia	PA	50,000.00
Puerto Rico Community Foundation	San Juan	PR	61,400.00
Community Development Services	Maryville	TN	20,000.00
ICF, Inc	Fairfax	VA	1,759,677.00
Common Ground	Seattle	WA	58,300.00
Northwest Regional Facilitators	Spokane	WA	25,000.00
Urban Economic Development Association of Wisconsin, Inc	Milwaukee	WI	40,932.00
Wisconsin Partnership for Housing Development, Inc	Madison	WI	20,468.00
Homeless TA Awards			
State of Alaska, Alaska Housing Finance Corporation	Anchorage	AL	40,000.00
HomeBase/The Center for Common Concerns	San Francisco	CA	142,000.00
Colorado Coalition for the Homeless	Denver	CO	40,000.00
National Puerto Rican Coalition, Inc	Washington	DC	12,000.00
Tonya, Inc	Washington	DC	1,019,193.00
Florida Planning Group, Inc	Jacksonville	FL	20,000.00
Iowa Coalition for Housing and the Homeless	Des Moines	IA	20,676.00
Chicago Health Outreach	Chicago	IL	46,922.00
Illinois Community Action Association	Springfield	IL	30,000.00
Technical Assistance Collaborative, Inc	Boston	MA	222,000.00
The Enterprise Foundation	Columbia	MD	128,000.00
Minnesota Housing Partnership	St. Paul	MN	52,000.00
Training and Development Associates, Inc	Laurinburg	NC	119,928.00
New Mexico Coalition to End Homelessness	Santa Fe	NM	40,000.00
Corporation for Supportive Housing	New York	NY	218,000.00
Nassau Suffolk Coalition for the Homeless	Garden City	NY	99,949.00
New York State Rural Housing Coalition, Inc	Albany	NY	57,000.00
Supportive Housing Network of New York	New York	NY	139,051.00
Coalition on Homelessness and Housing in Ohio	Columbus	OH	104,000.00
Diana T. Myers and Associates, Inc	Glenside	PA	57,000.00
Homeless Network of Texas dba Texas Homeless Network	Austin	TX	128,000.00
AIDS Housing of Washington	Seattle	WA	50,000.00
John Epler and Associates	Seattle	WA	40,000.00
Low Income Housing Institute	Seattle	WA	67,000.00
Urban Economic Development Association of Wisconsin, Inc	Milwaukee	WI	54,000.00

APPENDIX A.—FISCAL YEAR 2002 FUNDING AWARDS FOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS—Continued

TA Provider	City	State	TA Award
HOPWA TA Awards			
The Enterprise Foundation	Columbia	MD	\$200,000.00
AIDS Housing of Washington	Seattle	WA	1,750,000.00

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**Office of the Secretary****Advisory Committee on Water Information; Notice of Renewal**

This notice is published in accordance with section 9 (a) (2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463), 5 U.S.C. App. (1988). Following consultation with the General Services Administration, notice is hereby given that the Secretary of the Interior is renewing the Advisory Committee on Water Information (ACWI). OMB Memorandum M-92-01 dated December 10, 1991, designated the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) as the lead agency for the Water Information Coordination Program (WICP) and also designated all other Federal organizations using water resources information to assist the USGS in ensuring the implementation of an effective WICP.

The purpose of the Committee is to represent the interests of water-information users and professionals in advising the Federal Government on Federal water-information programs and their effectiveness in meeting the Nation's water-information needs. Member organizations help to foster communications between the Federal and non-Federal sectors on sharing water information.

Membership represents a wide range of water resources interests and functions. Representation of the ACWI includes all levels of government, Tribes, public interest groups, academia, private industry, nonprofit and professional organizations. Member organizations designate their representatives and alternates. Membership is limited to a maximum of 35 organizations.

The Committee will function solely as an advisory body and in compliance with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act. The Charter will be filed under the Act, 15 days from the date of publication of this notice.

Further information regarding the ACWI may be obtained from the Associate Director for Water, USGS, Department of the Interior, 12201 Sunrise Valley Drive, Reston, Virginia 20192. Certification of renewal is published below.

Certification

I hereby certify that the renewal of the Advisory Committee on Water Information is necessary and in the public interest in connection with the performance of duties by the Department of the Interior mandated pursuant to the OMB Memorandum M-92-01.

Dated: May 9, 2003.

Gale A. Norton,*Secretary of the Interior.*

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**Fish and Wildlife Service****Issuance of Permit for Incidental Take of Threatened Species Associated With a Habitat Conservation Plan for the Stimson Lumber Company, Montana****AGENCY:** Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.**ACTION:** Notice of issuance of permit.

SUMMARY: On October 24, 2000, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service), issued an incidental take permit associated with a habitat conservation plan to Plum Creek Timber Company (Permit Number TE-034609-0) for the incidental take of threatened and endangered species pursuant to section 10(a)(1)(B) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (Act). Stimson Lumber Company is in the process of purchasing approximately 11,487 hectares (28,385 acres) of Plum Creek land in Montana covered by the above Incidental Take Permit for the Plum Creek Native Fish Habitat Conservation Plan (NFHCP). Stimson Lumber Company expressed the desire to continue implementing pertinent provisions of the NFHCP on these lands

and to continue to be covered by an Incidental Take Permit. Partial transfer of an Incidental Take Permit is expressly authorized at 50 CFR 13.25

On March 17, 2003, along with the Service and Plum Creek, Stimson Lumber Company entered into an Assignment and Assumption Agreement (partial assignment only, in connection with the sale of the above-mentioned lands) to facilitate the transfer of all relevant obligations of the NFHCP, Implementing Agreement and the permit from Plum Creek to Stimson pursuant to 50 CFR 13.25. On March 21, 2003, Stimson Lumber Company submitted to the Service an application for an Incidental Take Permit, along with the Assignment and Assumption Agreement and a Letter of Agreement to fulfill the requirements of processing the partial transfer of the NFHCP to Stimson Lumber Company and to initiate discussions with the Service concerning an amendment of the NFHCP to include the grizzly bears and implement interim grizzly bear best management practices.

Notice is hereby given that on April 24, 2003, as authorized by the provisions of the Act, the Service issued an Incidental Take Permit (TE-070004) to Stimson Lumber Company subject to certain conditions set forth therein. The permit was granted only after the Service determined that it was applied for in good faith, that granting the permit would not be to the disadvantage of the threatened species, and that it will be consistent with the purposes and policies set forth in the Act, as amended.

Additional information on this partial transfer and permit issuance may be requested by contacting the Regional Habitat Conservation Planning Coordinator, 134 Union Boulevard, Suite 645, Lakewood, Colorado 80228, telephone (303) 236-7400, extension 280.

Dated: April 24, 2003.

Ralph O. Morgenweck,*Regional Director, Denver, Colorado.*

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