

prepared a Final Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (SEIS) to analyze the direct, indirect and cumulative effects of enlarging the currently permitted Rueter-Hess Reservoir in Parker, CO. The Draft SEIS was published in the **Federal Register** on July 27, 2007 (72 FR 41300). The Final SEIS includes responses to comments received on the Draft SEIS.

The current project was authorized in February 2004 with Department of the Army Permit No. 199980472 (Section 404 Permit). The basic purpose of the Proposed Action would allow the reservoir to serve as a regional water management facility for multiple water providers in northern Douglas County; enable them to meet peak demands; greatly enhance water management in the region; and help extend the yield of the Denver Basin aquifers, a non-renewable water source and the primary source of water for the South Metro area. Expansion of the reservoir would result in direct impacts to an additional 0.21 acres of wetlands and 4 miles of intermittent stream channel (in addition to the 6.7 acres of wetlands and 5 miles of other waters of the U.S. permitted as part of the 16,200-acre-foot [AF] reservoir). This action requires authorization from the Corps under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act. The Permittee and Applicant is the Parker Water and Sanitation District (PWSD).

The Final SEIS was prepared in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969, as amended, and the Corps' regulations for NEPA implementation (33 Code of Federal Regulations [CFR] parts 230 and 325, Appendices B and C). The Corps, Omaha District, Regulatory Branch is the lead federal agency responsible for the Final SEIS and information contained in the SEIS serves as the basis for a decision regarding issuance of a Section 404 Permit modification. It also provides information for local and state agencies having jurisdictional responsibility for affected resources.

**DATES:** The 30-day Notice of Availability of the Final SEIS ends on December 17, 2007.

**ADDRESSES:** Send written comments regarding the Proposed Action and Final SEIS to Rodney Schwartz, Senior Project Manager, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Omaha District—Regulatory Branch, 12565 West Center Road, Omaha, NE 68144-3869 or via e-mail: [rodney.j.schwartz@usace.army.mil](mailto:rodney.j.schwartz@usace.army.mil). Requests to be placed on or removed from the mailing list should also be sent to this address.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Rodney Schwartz, Senior Project Manager, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers at 402-221-4143; Fax 402-221-4939.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The purpose of the Final SEIS is to provide decision-makers and the public with information pertaining to the Proposed Action and alternatives, and to disclose environmental impacts and identify mitigation measures to reduce impacts. PWSD proposes to enlarge the Rueter-Hess Reservoir from the currently permitted design of 16,200 AF by 55,800 AF for a total storage capacity of approximately 72,000 AF. This is considered the site's maximum storage capacity based on the site's topography. The proposed expanded reservoir pool would inundate approximately 1,140 acres (an additional 672 acres). PWSD would maintain a 5,000-AF emergency reserve pool in the reservoir (elevation 6,110 feet) to be used as needed to provide a reliable water supply for its customers. The proposed design involves raising the currently permitted dam (embankment) by 61 feet, to a crest elevation of 6,220 feet, using a downstream raise concept. The final dam is proposed to be a 196-foot-high and 7,675-foot-long zoned earth embankment.

The purpose for the enlarged reservoir is to provide sufficient storage of Denver Basin groundwater, and the associated reuse water from initial Denver Basin use, for selected South Metro Denver area water providers, and to assist in sustaining the Denver Basin aquifers. The additional water to be stored in a proposed expanded Rueter-Hess Reservoir would come from existing sources (i.e., Denver Basin groundwater and associated reusable return flows). The reservoir would be used to manage supplies during off-peak times and use this water during peak times to reduce the need for instantaneous production from Denver Basin wells. In addition to the proposal to expand the reservoir, new pipelines would be installed to deliver the water to and from the new Project Participants (Town of Castle Rock, Castle Pines North Metropolitan District and Stonegate Metropolitan District).

In addition to the Proposed Action, the Final SEIS analyzes two alternatives: (1) The Reduced-Capacity Reservoir (47,000 AF) Alternative, and (2) the No Action Alternative. The Reduced-Capacity Reservoir Alternative dam would be located along the same axis as the Proposed Action, but would be smaller in length (7,160 feet) and height (179 feet). The reservoir would have a surface area of 934 acres at normal pool.

The No Action Alternative assumes that PWSD and the other Project Participants would continue their current operations of primarily providing water to their customers with Denver Basin groundwater by drilling additional wells to meet peak summertime demands. PWSD would construct the currently permitted Rueter-Hess Reservoir (16,200 AF) to obtain firm annual yield for the PWSD, focusing on meeting peak summertime demands. Stonegate would have some storage capacity (1,200 AF) in the currently permitted reservoir. Castle Rock and Castle Pines North would not have surface water storage available to meet their needs; therefore, their ability to capture and reuse their reusable return flows would be limited. Castle Rock and Castle Pines North would extract and use their reuse water only as it is being generated from their advanced wastewater treatment plants and lawn irrigation.

Copies of the Final SEIS will be available for review at:

1. Parker Library, 10851 South Crossroads Drive, Parker, CO 80134.
2. Philip S. Miller Library, 100 S. Wilcox, Castle Rock, CO 80104.
3. Parker Water and Sanitation District, 19801 East Mainstreet, Parker, CO 80138.
4. U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Denver Regulatory Office, 9307 S. Wadsworth Boulevard, Littleton, CO 80128.
5. Electronically at <https://www.nwo.usace.army.mil/html/od-tl/eis-info.htm>.

Copies may also be obtained from the Corps' third-party contractor, URS Corporation, Attn: Rachel Badger, 8181 East Tufts Avenue, Denver, CO 80237; 303-740-2778; Fax 303-694-3946; [rachel\\_badger@urscorp.com](mailto:rachel_badger@urscorp.com).

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## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

### Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

**AGENCY:** Department of Education.  
**SUMMARY:** The IC Clearance Official, Regulatory Information Management Services, Office of Management invites comments on the submission for OMB review as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

**DATES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before December 17, 2007.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments should be addressed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Education Desk Officer, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street, NW., Room 10222, Washington, DC 20503. Commenters are encouraged to submit responses electronically by email to [oira\\_submission@omb.eop.gov](mailto:oira_submission@omb.eop.gov) or via fax to (202) 395-6974. Commenters should include the following subject line in their response "Comment: [insert OMB number], [insert abbreviated collection name, e.g., "Upward Bound Evaluation"]]. Persons submitting comments electronically should not submit paper copies.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35) requires that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) provide interested Federal agencies and the public an early opportunity to comment on information collection requests. OMB may amend or waive the requirement for public consultation to the extent that public participation in the approval process would defeat the purpose of the information collection, violate State or Federal law, or substantially interfere with any agency's ability to perform its statutory obligations. The IC Clearance Official, Regulatory Information Management Services, Office of Management, publishes that notice containing proposed information collection requests prior to submission of these requests to OMB. Each proposed information collection, grouped by office, contains the following: (1) Type of review requested, e.g. new, revision, extension, existing or reinstatement; (2) Title; (3) Summary of the collection; (4) Description of the need for, and proposed use of, the information; (5) Respondents and frequency of collection; and (6) Reporting and/or Recordkeeping burden. OMB invites public comment.

Dated: November 7, 2007.

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#### Office of Postsecondary Education

*Type of Review:* Extension.

*Title:* Designation As An Eligible Institution under the Title III, Part A Strengthening Institutions Program and the Title V, Developing Hispanic-Serving Institutions Program Application Guide.

*Frequency:* Annually.

*Affected Public:* Not-for-profit institutions.

*Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:*

*Responses:* 1,200.

*Burden Hours:* 8,400.

*Abstract:* Collection of information is necessary in order for the Secretary of Education to designate an institution of higher education (IHE) eligible to apply for funding under Title III, Part A and Title V of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended (HEA). An institution must apply to the Secretary to be designated as an eligible institution.

The programs authorized include the Strengthening Institutions Program (SIP), the American Indian Tribally Controlled Colleges and Universities (TCCU), and the Alaskan Native and Native Hawaiian-Serving Institutions (ANNH) Programs. Title V authorizes the Hispanic-Serving Institutions Program. These programs award discretionary grants to eligible institutions of higher education as that they might increase their self-sufficiency by improving academic programs, institutional management and fiscal stability.

This information collection is being submitted under the Streamlined Clearance Process for Discretionary Grant Information Collections (1890-0001). Therefore, the 30-day public comment period notice will be the only public comment notice published for this information collection.

Requests for copies of the information collection submission for OMB review may be accessed from <http://edicsweb.ed.gov>, by selecting the "Browse Pending Collections" link and by clicking on link number 3518. When you access the information collection, click on "Download Attachments" to view. Written requests for information should be addressed to U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., Potomac Center, 9th Floor, Washington, DC 20202-4700. Requests may also be electronically mailed to [ICDocketMgr@ed.gov](mailto:ICDocketMgr@ed.gov) or faxed to 202-245-6623. Please specify the complete title of the information collection when making your request.

Comments regarding burden and/or the collection activity requirements should be electronically mailed to [ICDocketMgr@ed.gov](mailto:ICDocketMgr@ed.gov). Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339.

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## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

### Notice of Proposed Information Collection Requests

**AGENCY:** Department of Education.

**SUMMARY:** The IC Clearance Official, Regulatory Information Management Services, Office of Management, invites comments on the proposed information collection requests as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

**DATES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before January 15, 2008.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. chapter 35) requires that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) provide interested Federal agencies and the public an early opportunity to comment on information collection requests. OMB may amend or waive the requirement for public consultation to the extent that public participation in the approval process would defeat the purpose of the information collection, violate State or Federal law, or substantially interfere with any agency's ability to perform its statutory obligations. The IC Clearance Official, Regulatory Information Management Services, Office of Management, publishes that notice containing proposed information collection requests prior to submission of these requests to OMB. Each proposed information collection, grouped by office, contains the following: (1) Type of review requested, e.g. new, revision, extension, existing or reinstatement; (2) Title; (3) Summary of the collection; (4) Description of the need for, and proposed use of, the information; (5) Respondents and frequency of collection; and (6) Reporting and/or recordkeeping burden. OMB invites public comment. The Department of Education is especially interested in public comment addressing the following issues: (1) Is this collection necessary to the proper functions of the Department; (2) will this information be processed and used in a timely manner; (3) is the estimate of burden accurate; (4) how might the Department enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (5) how might the Department minimize the burden of this collection on the respondents, including through the use of information technology.