

COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION

Federal Register Notice Requesting Nominations for the Subcommittee on Convergence in Agricultural Commodity Markets Under the Agricultural Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

ACTION: Notice requesting nominations for the Subcommittee on Convergence in Agricultural Commodity Markets under the Agricultural Advisory Committee.

SUMMARY: The Commodity Futures Trading Commission (CFTC or Commission) is calling for nominations to the Subcommittee on Convergence in Agricultural Commodity Markets (Subcommittee on Convergence or Subcommittee) under the auspices of the Agricultural Advisory Committee. The Subcommittee on Convergence was established to identify the causes of poor cash-futures convergence in select agricultural commodity markets and advise the Commission on actions to remedy the situation. Nominations are sought for highly qualified representatives from government agencies, industry, exchanges, and groups representing interests or organizations involved with or affected by the convergence issues. Individuals seeking to be nominated to the Subcommittee on Convergence should possess demonstrable expertise in a related field or represent a stakeholder of interest in the issue. Prospective nominees should be open to participating in an open public-private forum.

DATES: The final deadline for nominations is 14 days from the publication date of this notice.

ADDRESSES: Nominations should be sent to Andrei Kirilenko, Office of the Chief Economist, U.S. Commodity Futures Trading Commission, 1155 21st Street, NW., Washington, DC 20581.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Andrei Kirilenko, (202) 418-5587; fax: (202) 418-5660; e-mail: akirilenko@cftc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Subcommittee on Convergence will conduct at least three sessions: On the causes, potential remedies, and suggested actions to remedy poor convergence. The sessions will be held during the first half of 2009 either in person or via telephone and will be open to the public. The Subcommittee will present a report with its findings and recommendations to the members

of the Agricultural Advisory Committee and the Commission, at which time the Commission and Chair of the Agricultural Advisory Committee will determine what further actions warrant consideration. Subcommittee participants will not be compensated or reimbursed for travel and per diem expenses.

Each nomination submission should include the proposed member's name and organizational affiliation; a brief description of the nominee's qualifications and interest in serving on the Subcommittee on Convergence; the organization, group, or government agency the nominee would represent on the subcommittee; and the curriculum vitae or resume of the nominee. Self-nominations are acceptable. The following contact information should accompany each submission: The nominee's name, address, phone number, fax number, and e-mail address if available.

There are no capital costs and no operating or maintenance costs associated with this notice.

Dated: March 3, 2009.

David Stawick,

Secretary of the Commission.

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CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION

Notice of Availability of Draft Guidance Regarding Which Children's Products Are Subject to the Requirements of CPSIA Section 108; Correction

AGENCY: Consumer Product Safety Commission.

ACTION: Notice; correction.

SUMMARY: The Consumer Product Safety Commission published a document in the *Federal Register* of February 23, 2009, concerning a request for comments on a Notice of Availability of Draft Guidance Regarding Which Children's Products are Subject to the Requirements of CPSIA Section 108. The document omitted a Web site link.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Todd Stevenson, 301-504-6836.

Correction

In the *Federal Register* of February 23, 2009, in FR Doc. E9-3808, on page 8060, in the third column, at the end of the sentence at paragraph O., correct the Web site link to read: Web site (<http://www.cpsc.gov/about/cpsia/phthalates.pdf>)

Dated: March 3, 2009.

Todd Stevenson,

Director, Office of the Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army, Corps of Engineers

Intent To Prepare a Draft and Final Second Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement for Reach 1A on the Herbert Hoover Dike Major Rehabilitation Project, Martin and Palm Beach Counties

AGENCY: Department of the Army, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, DOD.

ACTION: Notice of intent.

SUMMARY: The purpose of the project is to reconstruct and rehabilitate Reach 1A of the Herbert Hoover Dike to prevent catastrophic failure of the system to retain the waters of Lake Okeechobee. On July 8 2005, the Jacksonville District, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) issued a Final Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (FSEIS) for the Major Rehabilitation actions proposed for Herbert Hoover Dike (HHD), Reach One. Herbert Hoover Dike is the levee that completely surrounds Lake Okeechobee. On September 23, 2005, a Record of Decision was signed adopting the preferred alternative as the Selected Plan for Reach One.

As plans and specifications were developed for Reach 1, it became apparent that the cut-off wall with seepage berm alternative would not work for all of Reach 1. The alternative for Reach 1A will be a combination of one or more of the following features dependent on the geology and adjacent land factors with the cut-off wall: Seepage Berm, Relief Trench, Soil Replacement Wedge, Relief Wells, Drainage Feature and Sand Columns. Reach 1A of the HHD extends for approximately 4.6 miles within Martin and Palm Beach Counties, from the St. Lucie Canal at Port Mayaca, south to the 10A culvert. The final full design of the cutoff wall and landside rehabilitation feature will include lands outside of the existing ROW. Therefore it is necessary to update the July 2005 SEIS for Reach 1A to include these new landside rehabilitation features and any impacts to lands outside of the existing ROW. Two separate draft and final SEIS's will be developed for the four Subreaches: An SEIS for Subreach 1A will be completed first and a second SEIS for

Subreaches 1B, 1C, and 1D will be completed when designs (anticipated late 2009) are available. This study is a cooperative effort between the Corps and the South Florida Water Management District (SFWMD).

ADDRESSES: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Planning Division, Environmental Branch, P.O. Box 4970, Jacksonville, FL 32232-0019.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. William Porter at (904) 232-3206 or e-mail at William.L.Porter2@usace.army.mil.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: a. The proposed action will be the selected plan described in the July 2005 Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (SEIS) with the additional action of implementing the landside rehabilitation features as needed based on geology and adjacent land factors. The proposed action will not affect the Regulation Schedule for Lake Okeechobee. Land may have to be acquired outside of the existing right-of-way (ROW) and this SEIS will account for any impacts that result due to acquisition of additional real estate.

b. Alternatives to be considered separately for each subdivision of Reach 1 are dependent upon the geology and adjacent land factors with the cut-off wall. Reach 1 is divided into Subreaches A, B, C and D. The alternatives to be implemented include one or more of the following features: Seepage Berm, Relief Trench, Soil Replacement Wedge, Relief Wells, Sand Column and Drainage Feature.

c. A scoping letter will be used to invite comments on alternatives and issues from Federal, State, and local agencies, affected Indian tribes, and other interested private organizations and individuals. A scoping letter was sent in October 2007 in anticipation of writing a single EIS for Reach 1. An additional scoping letter will be sent out in March 2009 to address the change in the process of completing the Reach 1 Environmental Impact Statements. A scoping meeting is not anticipated.

d. A public meeting will be held after release of each of the Draft Second Supplemental EIS's. The public meeting is anticipated to be held in late 2009 for Reach 1A in Clewiston, FL. The exact location, date, and times will be announced in a public notice and local newspapers.

e. A Major Rehabilitation Evaluation Report (MRR) was approved by Congress in the Water Resources Development Act (WRDA) 2000 that addressed the need to repair the aging dike.

Dated: February 23, 2009.

Eric P. Summa,

Chief, Environmental Branch.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Office of Elementary and Secondary Education; Overview Information; William F. Goodling Even Start Family Literacy Programs—Grants for Federally Recognized Indian Tribes and Tribal Organizations

Notice inviting applications for new awards for fiscal year (FY) 2009.

Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) Number: 84.258A.

DATES: Applications Available: March 9, 2009.

Deadline for Transmittal of Applications: May 4, 2009.

Full Text of Announcement

I. Funding Opportunity Description

Purpose of Program: The William F. Goodling Even Start Family Literacy Programs (Even Start), including the grants for Indian tribes and Tribal organizations, are intended to help break the cycle of poverty and illiteracy by improving the educational opportunities of low-income families by integrating early childhood education, adult literacy or adult basic education, and parenting education into a unified family literacy program. These programs are implemented through cooperative activities that: Build on high-quality existing community resources to create a new range of educational services; promote the academic achievement of children and adults; assist children and adults from low-income families in achieving challenging State content and student achievement standards; and use instructional programs based on scientifically based reading research and addressing the prevention of reading difficulties for children and adults, to the extent such research is available. A description of the required 15 program elements for which funds must be used is included in the application package.

Priorities: Under this competition we are particularly interested in applications that address the following priorities.

Invitational Priorities: For FY 2009 and any subsequent year in which we make awards from the list of unfunded applicants from this competition, these priorities are invitational priorities. Under 34 CFR 75.105(c)(1) we do not give an application that meets these invitational priorities a competitive or

absolute preference over other applications.

These priorities are:

Invitational Priority 1—Intensity

Applications that propose to operate full-time programs of high intensity that offer a minimum of the following hours in each of the following four core instructional components:

- Adult Education—60 hours per month.
- Early Childhood Education (birth through 3 years of age)—60 hours per month.
- Early Childhood Education (3 to 4 years of age)—65 hours per month.
- Parenting Education and Interactive Literacy Activities between Parents and Children—20 hours per month.

Scientifically based research on increasing the effectiveness of early childhood education programs serving children from low-income families tells us that children who participate more intensively in early childhood education score higher on standardized literacy measures. For example, the Third National Even Start Evaluation: Program Impacts and Implications for Improvement showed that “children who participated more intensively in early childhood education scored higher on standardized literacy skills. Further, parents who participate more intensively in parenting education have children who score higher on standardized literacy measures.”¹ In other words, children who spend more time in high-quality early childhood education programs learn more than children who spend less time in those programs. The purpose of this invitational priority is to encourage family literacy programs supported with Even Start funds to provide services that are of a sufficient intensity to maximize language and early literacy gains for children enrolled in those programs.¹

Invitational Priority 2—Early Childhood Education Services in a Group Setting

Applications that propose to offer center-based early childhood education services.

The research in early childhood education, such as the Third National Even Start Evaluation, shows that educational services for young children that are provided in a center are more likely to be intensive and, therefore, more likely to result in significant

¹ Ricciuti, A.E., St. Pierre, R.G., Lee, W., Parsad, A. & Rimdzius, T. *Third National Even Start Evaluation: Follow-Up Findings From the Experimental Design Study*. U.S. Department of Education, Institute of Education Sciences, National Center for Education Evaluation and Regional Assistance. Washington, DC: 2004. p. 8–9.