

also a communications tool that brings together diverse stakeholder groups, builds capacity and aims to raise awareness on the status and trends of the environment.

Experts are expected to have a thorough understanding in one or more of the following areas: Environmental science; environment and development priorities, challenges and policy; and environmental management or governance. UNEP will select nominees by matching expertise to specific roles, paying due regard to disciplinary, gender and geographical balance. Details of the GEO-5 nominating process may be found online at <http://www.unep.org/geo/nominations/> and <http://www.globalchange.gov/globalenvironmentoutlook>. To access the nominations form on the UNEP Web site, please use *Username*: geo5_2012 and *Password*: nominee. Nominations may be made on <http://www.unep.org/geo/nominations/>. For nominations to be considered within the U.S. Government nomination process, they must also be submitted to the United States Department of State. GEO-5 will review the nominations from all participating governments, individuals and organizations and make final decisions on nominees.

Selection as a U.S. Government nominee does not guarantee selection by GEO-5 itself. Participants in the GEO process volunteer their time. Nominated individuals should agree in advance to fulfill the role for which they are nominated, should they be selected to do so by GEO. Nomination by the U.S. Government to GEO-5 does not imply a commitment by the U.S. Government to provide financial support for participation.

UNEP may provide travel and subsistence costs for non-Federal participants if requested by the participant, subject to the availability of resources. Additional guidance on compensation of expenses and remuneration of services will be available on the UNEP Web site.

How to Recommend Experts

1. Refer to the GEO-5 Web site <http://www.unep.org/geo/nominations/> for detailed background information on the 5th Assessment Report. To access the nominations form on the UNEP Web site, please use *Username*: geo5_2012 and *Password*: nominee. The document on GEO-5 nominations identifies the substantive areas covered in each of the chapters of the report. It is important to note that the time commitment required to carry out different roles in the GEO-5 process varies greatly.

2. Make sure that any of the experts that you wish to recommend are willing to serve in the role for which they are nominated.

3. Nominations to be considered within the U.S. Government nomination process must be submitted to the U.S. Department of State, Office of Environmental Policy no later than May 12, 2010. Complete the GEO-5 nomination form, one for each nominee, including an up-to-date CV, identification of the relevant chapters, and the role for which the individual is being nominated. Send this information by e-mail to rosenmanrg@state.gov by May 12. Please note that partial nomination packages will not be considered.

What happens next?

In a process coordinated through the U.S. Department of State, Bureau of Oceans and International Environmental and Scientific Affairs, Office of Environmental Policy, technical experts and managers of relevant science and technology programs within the U.S. government will make and review recommendations and forward a slate of nominees to GEO-5 on the basis of their qualifications. Submission of a nomination to the State Department does not guarantee that the nomination will be forwarded by the U.S. Government to UNEP.

For Further Information

Richard Rosenman of the Office of Environmental Policy, U.S. Department of State, is serving as the coordinator of this nomination process. Mr. Rosenman can be reached at 1-202-647-1126, e-mail rosenmanrg@state.gov.

Disclaimer: This Public Notice is a request for nominations, and is not a request for applications. No granting or money is directly associated with this request for suggestions for GEO-5. There is no expectation of U.S. Government resources or funding associated with any nominations.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Highway Administration

Environmental Impact Statement: Winnebago County, IL and Rock County, WI

AGENCY: Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of Intent.

SUMMARY: The FHWA is issuing this notice to advise the public that an environmental impact statement will not be prepared for the corridor extending from the intersection of Wisconsin Route 213 and Nye School Road northwest of Beloit, Rock County, Wisconsin to the interchange of Rockton Road and I-90 southeast of South Beloit, Winnebago County, Illinois.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Norman R. Stoner, P.E., Division Administrator, Federal Highway Administration, 3250 Executive Park Drive, Springfield, Illinois 62703, Phone: (217) 492-4600. George F. Ryan, P.E., Region Two Engineer, District 2, Illinois Department of Transportation, 819 Depot Avenue, Dixon, Illinois 61021, Phone: (815) 284-2271.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The FHWA, in cooperation with the Illinois Department of Transportation, published a notice of intent to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) in the **Federal Register** dated October 26, 1995 (Volume 60, Number 207, pp. 54910-54911) to study a proposal to construct a highway on new alignment over a distance of approximately eight miles to better serve the transportation needs of the Beloit and Janesville Urbanized Areas.

Due to public opposition, lack of regional support and a change in the conditions in the region that warranted the study, this project has been cancelled and no further project activities will occur.

Comments or questions concerning this notice should be directed to FHWA or the Illinois Department of Transportation at the addresses provided above.

Issued on: April 30, 2010.

Norman R. Stoner,

Division Administrator, Springfield, Illinois.

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