DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Rural Housing Service

Guaranteed Rural Rental Housing Low Loan-to-Cost Ratio

AGENCY: Rural Housing Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Rural Housing Service announces the low loan-to-cost ratio required for loans guaranteed under Option Three (Continuous Guarantee) of the Guaranteed Rural Rental Housing Program (GRRHP). The GRRHP is authorized by section 538 of the Housing Act of 1949, as amended (42 U.S.C. 1490p–2) and operates under 7 CFR part 3565. The low loan-to-cost ratio is defined at 50 percent in order for a loan to be eligible for a single continuous guarantee for construction and permanent loans pursuant to 7 CFR part 3565.52. The Rural Housing Service is not modifying the lease-up reserves and percent of guarantee previously established for this program.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Monica Cole, Financial and Loan Analyst, USDA Rural Development Guaranteed Rural Rental Housing Program, Multi-Family Housing Guaranteed Loan Division, U.S. Department of Agriculture, South Agriculture Building, Room 1263–S, STOP 0781, 1400 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20250–0781. Email: monica.cole@wdc.usda.gov. Telephone: (202) 720–1251. This number is not toll-free. Hearing or speech-impaired persons may access that number by calling the Federal Information Relay Service toll-free at (800) 877–8339.


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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Deschutes and Ochoco National Forests Resource Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Deschutes and Ochoco National Forests Resource Advisory Committee will meet in Bend, Oregon. The purpose of the meeting is to review proposed projects and make recommendations under Title II (Pub. L. 112–141) of the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000 (Act) as originally enacted in Pub. L. 106–393.

DATES: The meeting will be held September 24, 2012 from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the office of the Central Oregon Intergovernmental Council, 334 NE Hawthorne Avenue, Bend, OR 97701. Send written comments to John Allen as Designated Federal Official, for the Deschutes and Ochoco National Forests Resource Advisory Committee, c/o Forest Service, USDA, Deschutes National Forest, 63005 Deschutes Market Road., Bend, OR 97701 or electronically to japallent@fs.fed.us.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The meeting is open to the public. Committee discussion is limited to Forest Service staff and Committee members. However, persons who wish to bring Title II matters to the attention of the Committee may file written statements with the Committee staff before the meeting. A public input session will be provided and individuals who made written requests by September 17, 2012 will have the opportunity to address the Committee at the session.


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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Rural Housing Service

Request for Proposals (RFP): Farm Labor Housing Technical Assistance Grants

AGENCY: Rural Housing Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This Request for Proposal (RFP) announces an availability of funds and the timeframe to submit proposals for Farm Labor Housing Technical Assistance (FLH–TA) grants.

Section 516(i) of the Housing Act of 1949, as amended (Act), authorizes the Rural Housing Service (RHS) to provide financial assistance (grants) to eligible private and public non-profit agencies to encourage the development of domestic and migrant farm labor housing projects. This RFP requests proposals from qualified private and public non-profit agencies to provide technical assistance to groups who qualify for FLH loans and grants.

Work performed under these grants is expected to result in an increased submission of quality applications for FLH loans and grants under the section 514 and 516 programs and as a result an increase in the availability of decent, safe, and sanitary housing for farm laborers.

DATES: The deadline for receipt of all applications in response to this RFP is 5:00 p.m., Eastern Daylight Time, on November 5, 2012. The application closing deadline is firm as to date and hour. RHS will not consider any application that is received after the closing deadline. Applicants intending to mail applications must provide sufficient time to permit delivery on or before the closing deadline. Acceptance by a post office or private mailer does not constitute delivery. Facsimile (FAX), Cash on Delivery (COD), and postage due applications will not be accepted.

ADDRESSES: Applications should be submitted to the USDA—Rural Housing Service; Attention: Mirna Reyes-Bible, Finance and Loan Analyst, Multi-Family Housing Preservation and Direct Loan Division, STOP 0781 (Room 1243–S), USDA Rural Development, 1400 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20250–0781. RHS will date and time stamp incoming applications to evidence timely receipt and, upon request, will provide the applicant with a written acknowledgement of receipt.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mirna Reyes-Bible, Finance and Loan