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Alfred V. Almanza,
Acting Administrator.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

White River National Forest; Eagle County, CO El Jebel Administrative Sites, Upper and Lower Parcels, Conveyance Project

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of intent to prepare an environmental impact statement.

SUMMARY: The Forest Service is proposing to convey two adjacent parcels of land, and the associated water rights and mineral estate in El Jebel, Colorado pursuant to the Forest Service Facility Realignment and Enhancement Act of 2005 Public Law 109-54; 16 U.S.C. 580d note, as amended by Public Law 112-74, Title IV, Sec. 421. The property is proposed to be sold as two parcels. The Lower Parcel is approximately 40 acres and is predominantly riparian in nature and the Upper Parcel is approximately 30 acres and consists of three residences, one mobile home pad, horse pastures, and outdoor equipment storage. A conservation easement or deed restriction intended to protect the wetlands, floodplains, aquatic, botanical, wildlife resources, and future public access may be placed on the Lower Parcel at the time of sale. The property may be sold directly to an identified purchaser or may be sold under competitive bidding procedures. The method of sale will be determined at a later date. Conveying the parcel will help the Forest Service to streamline its administrative sites and create a more efficient pattern of land ownership in Eagle County. The proposal includes a project-specific forest plan amendment.

DATES: Comments concerning the scope of the analysis must be received by January 23, 2017. The draft environmental impact statement (EIS) is expected to be available for public review in summer 2017 and the final EIS is expected in winter 2018.

ADDRESSES: Send written comments to Scott Fitzwilliams, Forest Supervisor c/

o Carole Huey, White River National Forest, 900 Grand Avenue, Glenwood Springs, CO 81601. Comments may also be submitted via <https://cara.ecosystem-management.org/Public/CommentInput?Project=50663>, email to clhuey@fs.fed.us, or via facsimile to (970) 945-3266.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Additional information related to the project can be obtained from the project Web page: <http://www.fs.fed.us/nepa/fs-usda-pop.php/?project=50663> or Carole Huey, Lands and Conveyance Program Manager, White River National Forest, 900 Grand Avenue, Glenwood Springs, CO 81601. Ms. Huey can be reached by phone at (970) 945-3219 or by email at clhuey@fs.fed.us.

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Responsible Official: The Responsible Official is James S. Bedwell, Director of Recreation, Lands, and Minerals for the Rocky Mountain Region.

Nature of Decision To Be Made: Based on the analysis that will be documented in the forthcoming EIS, the Responsible Official will decide whether or not to implement, in whole or in part, the Proposed Action or another alternative that may be developed by the Forest Service as a result of scoping.

Scoping Process: This notice of intent initiates the scoping process, which guides the development of the EIS. The Forest Service is soliciting comments from Federal, State and local agencies and other individuals or organizations that may be interested in or affected by implementation of the proposed project. Public questions and comments regarding this proposal are an integral part of this environmental analysis process. Input provided by interested and/or affected individuals, organizations and governmental agencies will be used to identify alternative actions and resource issues that will be analyzed in the EIS.

Comments should be provided prior to the close of the comment period and should clearly articulate the reviewer's concerns and contentions. A public open house meeting will discuss the proposed action on December 8, 2016 from 5:30-7:00 p.m., (Mountain Standard Time) at the Eagle County Community Center located at 0020 Eagle County Drive, El Jebel, CO 81623. The meeting will be held in the Mt. Sopris Room.

Comments received in response to this solicitation, including names and

addresses of those who comment, will be part of the public record for this proposed action. Comments submitted anonymously will be accepted and considered, however anonymous commenters would not have standing to file an objection. Those who submit comments will have eligibility to file an objection following the procedure laid out in 36 CFR 218.8. There will be an additional opportunity to comment when the Notice of Availability of the Draft EIS is published in the **Federal Register**.

For objection eligibility, each individual or representative from each entity submitting written comments must either sign the comment or verify identity upon request. Individuals and organizations wishing to be eligible to object must meet the information requirements in 36 CFR 218.5.

Dated: December 1, 2016.

James S. Bedwell,

Director of Recreation, Lands and Minerals, Rocky Mountain Region (R-2), USDA Forest Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Rural Utilities Service

Announcement of Grant Application Deadlines and Funding Levels

AGENCY: Rural Utilities Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of Solicitation of Applications (NOSA), Household Water Well System Grant Program.

SUMMARY: The Rural Utilities Service (RUS) announces its Household Water Well System (HWWS) Grant Program application window for fiscal year (FY) 2017. RUS will make grants to qualified private non-profit organizations to establish lending programs for homeowners to borrow up to \$11,000 to construct or repair household water wells for an existing home. The HWWS Grant Program is authorized under 7 U.S.C. 1926e. Regulations may be found at 7 CFR part 1776.

This year RUS will assign administrative discretion points to applications that:

1. Direct loans to rural areas where according to the American Community Survey data by census tracts show that at least 20 percent of the population is living in poverty.

2. Direct loans to areas which lack running water, flush toilets, and modern sewage disposal systems, and areas which have open sewers and high rates of disease caused by poor sanitation, in

particular, colonias or Substantially Underserved Trust Areas.

3. Direct loans to rural areas impacted by severe drought.

DATES: The deadline for completed applications for a HWWS grant is February 6, 2017. Applications in either paper or electronic format must be postmarked or time-stamped electronically on or before the deadline. Late applications will be ineligible for grant consideration.

ADDRESSES: Submit applications to the following addresses:

1. *Electronic applications:* <http://www.grants.gov/>. Submit electronic applications through *Grants.gov*, following the instructions on that Web site.

2. *Paper applications:* Water Programs Division, Rural Development, Rural Utilities Service, STOP: 1570, Room 2234-S, 1400 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20250-1570.

Obtain application guides and materials for the HWWS Grant Program electronically or in paper format from the following addresses:

1. *Electronic copies:* <http://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/household-water-well-system-grants/>;

2. *Paper copies:* Water Programs Division, Rural Utilities Service, STOP: 1570, Room 2234-S, 1400 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20250-1570 or call (202) 720-9583.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Derek Jones, Community Programs Specialist, Water and Environmental Programs, Rural Utilities Service, Rural Development, U.S. Department of Agriculture, STOP 1570, Room 2234-S, 1400 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20250-1570; Telephone: (202) 720-9640, fax: (202) 690-0649, email: derek.jones@wdc.usda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Overview

Federal Agency: Rural Utilities Service, USDA.

Funding Opportunity Title: HWWS Grant Program.

Announcement Type: Grant—Solicitation of Applications.

Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) Number: 10.862.

Due Date for Applications: February 6, 2017.

Items in Supplementary Information

I. Funding Opportunity: Description of the HWWS Grant Program.

II. Award Information: To be determined.

III. Eligibility Information: Who is eligible, what kinds of projects are eligible, what criteria determine basic eligibility.