

receiving comments regarding the best way to support the work of the State VR agencies in the Client Assistance Program (84.263D); assisting and supporting individuals with disabilities pursuing self-employment, business ownership, and telecommuting (84.263E); and field-initiated projects related to VR (84.263F); and whether the activities identified reflect the greatest needs in the field.

#### Clarity of the Regulations

Executive Order 12866 and the Presidential memorandum "Plain Language in Government Writing" require each agency to write regulations that are easy to understand.

The Secretary invites comments on how to make these proposed priorities easier to understand, including answers to questions such as the following:

- Are the requirements in the proposed regulations clearly stated?
- Do the proposed regulations contain technical terms or other wording that interferes with their clarity?
- Does the format of the proposed regulations (grouping and order of sections, use of headings, paragraphing, etc.) aid or reduce their clarity?
- Would the proposed regulations be easier to understand if we divided them into more (but shorter) sections?
- Could the description of the proposed regulations in the

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section of this preamble be more helpful in making the proposed regulations easier to understand? If so, how?

- What else could we do to make the proposed regulations easier to understand?

To send any comments that concern how the Department could make these proposed regulations easier to understand, see the instructions in the **ADDRESSES** section.

#### *Regulatory Flexibility Act*

**Certification:** The Secretary certifies that this proposed regulatory action would not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities. The U.S. Small Business Administration Size Standards define "small entities" as for-profit or nonprofit institutions with total annual revenue below \$7,000,000 or, if they are institutions controlled by small governmental jurisdictions (that are comprised of cities, counties, towns, townships, villages, school districts, or special districts), with a population of less than 50,000.

The small entities that this proposed regulatory action would affect are public or private nonprofit agencies and organizations, including Indian Tribes and institutions of higher education that

may apply. We believe that the costs imposed on an applicant by the proposed priorities would be limited to paperwork burden related to preparing an application and that the benefits of these proposed priorities would outweigh any costs incurred by the applicant. There are very few entities who could provide the type of technical assistance required under the proposed priorities. For these reasons these proposed priorities would not impose a burden on a significant number of small entities.

**Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995:** The proposed priorities contain information collection requirements that are approved by OMB under OMB control number 1820-0018.

**Intergovernmental Review:** This program is subject to Executive Order 12372 and the regulations in 34 CFR part 79. One of the objectives of the Executive order is to foster an intergovernmental partnership and a strengthened federalism. The Executive order relies on processes developed by State and local governments for coordination and review of proposed Federal financial assistance.

This document provides early notification of our specific plans and actions for this program.

#### Assessment of Educational Impact

In accordance with section 411 of the General Education Provisions Act, 20 U.S.C. 1221e-4, the Secretary particularly requests comments on whether these proposed regulations would require transmission of information that any other agency or authority of the United States gathers or makes available.

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*Commissioner, Rehabilitation Services Administration. Delegated the authority to perform the functions and duties of the Assistant Secretary for the Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

### 34 CFR Chapter III

[Docket ID ED-2019-OSERS-0044]

#### **Proposed Waiver and Extension of the Project Period for a Grant That Provides Rehabilitation Short-Term Training to the Client Assistance Program (CAP)**

**AGENCY:** Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services (OSERS), Department of Education.

**ACTION:** Proposed waiver and extension of project period.

**SUMMARY:** The Secretary proposes to waive the requirements in the Education Department General Administrative Regulations that generally prohibit project periods exceeding five years and project period extensions involving the obligation of additional Federal funds. The proposed waiver and extension would enable the Rehabilitation Short-Term Training to the CAP under Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) number 84.246K to receive funding for an additional performance period of one year, not to exceed September 30, 2021.

**DATES:** We must receive your comments on or before May 27, 2020.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit your comments through the Federal eRulemaking Portal or via postal mail, commercial delivery, or hand delivery. We will not accept comments submitted by fax or by email or those submitted after the comment period. To ensure that we do not receive duplicate copies, please submit your comments only once. In addition, please include the Docket ID at the top of your comments.

- **Federal eRulemaking Portal:** Go to [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) to submit your comments electronically. Information on using *Regulations.gov*, including instructions for accessing agency documents, submitting comments, and viewing the docket, is available on the site under "How to use *Regulations.gov*" in the Help section.

- **Postal Mail, Commercial Delivery, or Hand Delivery:** If you mail or deliver

your comments about the proposed waiver and extension, address them to Felipe Lulli, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue SW, Room 5101, Potomac Center Plaza, Washington, DC 20202-2800.

*Privacy Note:* The Department's policy is to make all comments received from members of the public available for public viewing in their entirety on the Federal eRulemaking Portal at [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov). Therefore, commenters should be careful to include in their comments only information that they wish to make publicly available.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Contact Felipe Lulli, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue SW, Room 5101, Potomac Center Plaza, Washington, DC 20202-2800. Telephone: 202-245-7425. Email: [felipe.lulli@ed.gov](mailto:felipe.lulli@ed.gov).

If you use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) or a text telephone (TTY), call the Federal Relay Service (FRS), toll free, at 1-800-877-8339.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Invitation to Comment:* We invite you to submit comments regarding this proposed waiver and extension.

We invite you to assist us in complying with the specific requirements of Executive Orders 12866, 13563, and 13771 and their overall requirement of reducing regulatory burden that might result from this proposed waiver and extension. Please let us know of any further ways we could reduce potential costs or increase potential benefits while preserving the effective and efficient administration of the program.

During and after the comment period, you may inspect all public comments about this proposed waiver and extension in Room 5059, 550 12th Street SW, Washington, DC, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Eastern Time, Monday through Friday of each week, except Federal holidays.

*Assistance to Individuals with Disabilities in Reviewing the Rulemaking Record:* On request, we will provide an appropriate accommodation or auxiliary aid to an individual with a disability who needs assistance to review the comments or other documents in the public rulemaking record for this proposed waiver and

extension. If you want to schedule an appointment for this type of aid, please contact the person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

**Background**

We are proposing to extend the Rehabilitation Short-Term Training—Client Assistance Program (CAP) for an additional year to assess and enhance the Department's CAP training and technical assistance approaches in light of (a) the expanded quality employment opportunities for individuals with disabilities promoted by the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) (29 U.S.C. 3101 *et seq.*); (b) promising employment initiatives advanced by the Rehabilitation Service Administration's (RSA's) Vocational Rehabilitation Technical Assistance Centers, consistent with WIOA; and (c) new training delivery platforms and methodologies that could be applied to this CAP training program. In short, the waiver and extension will allow RSA to design a new, innovative training program that, consistent with WIOA, would maximize the capacity of CAP personnel to inform, advise, and advocate for individuals with disabilities and facilitate their access to expanded quality employment opportunities in their States through services and supports available under the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended by WIOA (Rehabilitation Act). These services and supports may include (a) pre-employment transition services and the limitations on the use of subminimum wages under sections 113 and 511 of the Rehabilitation Act; (b) career-focused credentials attainment and measurable skill gains; and (c) career exploration and career advancement strategies such as work-based learning, apprenticeships, customized employment, and career pathways.

The Rehabilitation Act authorizes the Short-Term Training Program under section 302 (29 U.S.C. 772) to train CAP personnel authorized under section 112 of the Rehabilitation Act (29 U.S.C. 732).

In September 2015, RSA awarded a 60-month grant to the National Disability Rights Network under the Rehabilitation Short-Term Training to the CAP to provide training and technical instruction to the 57 CAP grantees on the statutory and regulatory

requirements governing the provision of vocational rehabilitation (VR) and other services under the Rehabilitation Act. The National Disability Rights Network's capacity-building activities address CAP management and operations, individual and systems advocacy, data collection and reporting, and specific provisions such as pre-employment transition services and limitations on the use of subminimum wages. Its training and technical instruction vehicles include an annual VR orientation meeting, a fiscal management conference, webinars, on-site visits, ongoing web resources and alerts, specialized institutes, and an annual conference, among other activities. The current project period ends on September 30, 2020.

**Waivers and Extensions**

The Department will not be running a Rehabilitation Short-Term Training to the CAP competition in FY 2020. Rather, the Department will be including the CAP as one of the topic areas under the Innovative Rehabilitation Training program. The Department has concluded that it would not be in the public interest to have a lapse in the critically needed resources currently provided by the Rehabilitation Short-Term Training to the CAP. Allowing training and technical instruction to lapse while the Department establishes its innovative CAP training program would reduce the capacity of the 57 CAP grantees nationwide to provide information to, and advocate on behalf of, individuals with disabilities seeking or receiving services from the VR and other programs under the Rehabilitation Act critical to their achievement of high-quality employment, independent living, and self-sufficiency.

For these reasons, the Secretary proposes to waive the requirements in 34 CFR 75.250, which prohibit project periods exceeding five years, and the requirements in 34 CFR 75.261(a) and (c)(2), which allow the extension of a project period only if the extension does not involve the obligation of additional Federal funds. The waiver would allow the Department to issue a one-time FY 2020 continuation award to the Rehabilitation Short-Term Training to the CAP, as follows.

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Any activities carried out during the year of this continuation award must be

consistent with the scope, goals, and objectives of the grantee's application as

approved in the FY 2015 competition.

The requirements for continuation awards are set forth in 34 CFR 75.253.

### Regulatory Flexibility Act Certification

The Secretary certifies that the proposed waiver and extension of the project period would not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities. The only entity that would be affected by the proposed waiver and extension of the project period is the current grantee and any other potential applicant.

The Secretary certifies that the proposed waiver and extension would not have a significant economic impact on these entities because the extension of an existing project period imposes minimal compliance costs, and the activities required to support the additional year of funding would not impose additional regulatory burdens or require unnecessary Federal supervision.

### Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995

This notice of proposed waiver and extension of the project period does not contain any information collection requirements.

### Intergovernmental Review

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*Commissioner, Rehabilitation Services Administration, Delegated the authority to perform the functions and duties of the Assistant Secretary for the Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

### 40 CFR Part 52

[EPA-R04-OAR-2019-0638; FRL-10008-00-Region 4]

### Air Plan Approval; North Carolina; Miscellaneous Permit Provisions Revisions

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Proposed rule.

**SUMMARY:** The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is proposing to approve State Implementation Plan (SIP) revisions submitted by the State of North Carolina, through the North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality, Division of Air Quality (DAQ), with letters dated September 18, 2009, September 16, 2016, and July 10, 2019. These SIP revisions amend several of North Carolina's rules regarding construction and operating permits. This action is being proposed pursuant to the Clean Air Act (CAA or Act).

**DATES:** Comments must be received on or before May 27, 2020.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit your comments, identified by Docket ID No. EPA-R04-OAR-2019-0638 at [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov). Follow the online instructions for submitting comments. Once submitted, comments cannot be edited or removed from [Regulations.gov](http://Regulations.gov). EPA may publish any comment received to its public docket. Do not submit electronically any information you consider to be Confidential Business Information (CBI) or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. Multimedia submissions (audio, video, etc.) must be accompanied by a written comment. The written comment is considered the official comment and should include discussion of all points you wish to make. EPA will generally not consider comments or comment contents located outside of the primary submission (i.e., on the web, cloud, or

other file sharing system). For additional submission methods, the full EPA public comment policy, information about CBI or multimedia submissions, and general guidance on making effective comments, please visit [www2.epa.gov/dockets/commenting-epa-dockets](http://www2.epa.gov/dockets/commenting-epa-dockets).

### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Evan Adams, Air Regulatory Management Section, Air Planning and Implementation Branch, Air and Radiation Division, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 4, 61 Forsyth Street SW, Atlanta, Georgia 30303-8960. The telephone number is (404) 562-9009. Mr. Adams can also be reached via electronic mail at [adams.evan@epa.gov](mailto:adams.evan@epa.gov).

### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

#### I. What action is EPA proposing?

North Carolina has a SIP-approved combined construction and operating permit program for minor sources, and the program's regulations include requirements for obtaining preconstruction and operating permits for different types of minor sources. The program covers "true minor" sources, which have the potential to emit (PTE) certain pollutants below major source thresholds for new sources and modifications. The SIP-approved minor source permitting program also includes provisions for issuing permits that establish federally enforceable emission limits to restrict the PTE of certain pollutants below major source and major modification applicability thresholds, referred to as "synthetic minor" sources in the North Carolina SIP. These program rules also specify exemptions from the requirement to obtain construction and operating permits.

North Carolina's September 18, 2009,<sup>1,2</sup> submittal revises rule 15A North Carolina Administrative Code (NCAC) 02Q .0304, *Applications*, to make clarifying and ministerial edits. The September 16, 2016,<sup>3,4</sup> submittal revises 15A NCAC 02D .0101, *Definitions*, and 15A NCAC 02Q .0101, *Required Air Quality Permits*; .0103, *Definitions*; and .0104, *Where to Obtain and File Permit Applications*, to make

<sup>1</sup> EPA received the submittal on September 22, 2009.

<sup>2</sup> EPA received a supplemental submittal of corrected redline/strikeout changes for 02Q Section .0304 on June 7, 2019. See the docket for this action.

<sup>3</sup> EPA received the submittal on October 4, 2016.

<sup>4</sup> EPA notes Section 02Q .0203,—"Permit and Application Fees" was submitted as well. However, this Section is not approved into the SIP, and is not appropriate for the SIP. EPA will therefore not take action on this Section.