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- *Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number:* 93.230.

- *Program Contact:* For questions concerning program issues, contact: Edith Jungblut, Project Officer, Division of Practice and Systems Development, Center for Substance Abuse Treatment, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, Rockwall II, Suite 740, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857, (301) 443-6669.

For questions regarding grants management issues, contact: Christine Chen, Grants Management Officer, Division of Grants Management, OPS, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, Rockwall II, 6th Floor, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, Maryland 20857, (301) 443-8926.

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Dated: February 24, 2000.

Richard Kopanda,

Executive Officer, SAMHSA.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration

Fiscal Year (FY) 2000 Funding Opportunities

AGENCY: Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice of Funding Availability.

SUMMARY: The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) Center for Substance Abuse Treatment (CSAT) announces the availability of FY 2000 funds for grants for the following activity. This activity is discussed in more detail under Section 3 of this notice. This notice is not a complete description of the activity; potential applicants *must* obtain a copy of the Program Announcement, including Part I, Programmatic Guidance for Grants to Expand Substance Abuse Treatment Capacity in Targeted Areas of Need, and Part II, General Policies and Procedures Applicable to all SAMHSA Applications for Discretionary Grants and Cooperative Agreements, before preparing an application.

Activity	Application Deadline	Estimated funds available, FY 2000	Estimated number of awards	Project period
Targeted Capacity Expansion Program for Substance Abuse Treatment and HIV/AIDS Services.	June 13, 2000	\$16,000,000	30-40	Up to 3 years.

The actual amount available for awards and their allocation may vary,

depending on unanticipated program requirements and the number and

quality of applications received. FY 2000 funds for the activity discussed in

this announcement were appropriated by the Congress under Public Law No. 106-113. SAMHSA's policies and procedures for peer review and Advisory Council review of grant and cooperative agreement applications were published in the **Federal Register** (Vol. 58, No. 126) on July 2, 1993.

The Public Health Service (PHS) is committed to achieving the health promotion and disease prevention objectives of Healthy People 2000, a PHS-led national activity for setting priority areas. The SAMHSA Centers' substance abuse and mental health services activities address issues related to Healthy People 2000 objectives of Mental Health and Mental Disorders; Alcohol and Other Drugs; Clinical Preventive Services; HIV Infection; and Surveillance and Data Systems. Potential applicants may obtain a copy of Healthy People 2000 (Full Report: Stock No. 017-001-00474-0) or Summary Report: Stock No. 017-001-00473-1) through the Superintendent of Documents, Government Printing Office, Washington, DC 20402-9325 (Telephone: 202-512-1800).

SAMHSA will publish additional notices of available funding opportunities for FY 2000 in subsequent issues of the **Federal Register**.

General Instructions: Applicants must use application form PHS 5161-1 (Rev. 6/99; OMB No. 0920-0428). The application kit contains the two-part application materials (complete programmatic guidance and instructions for preparing and submitting applications), the PHS 5161-1 which includes Standard Form 424 (Face Page), and other documentation and forms. Application kits may be obtained from the organization specified for the activity covered by this notice (see Section 3).

When requesting an application kit, the applicant must specify the particular activity for which detailed information is desired. This is to ensure receipt of all necessary forms and information, including any specific program review and award criteria.

The PHS 5161-1 application form and the full text of the activity described in Section 4 are also available electronically via SAMHSA's World Wide Web Home Page (address: <http://www.samhsa.gov>).

Application Submission: Applications must be submitted to:

SAMHSA Programs, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, Suite 1040, 6701 Rockledge Drive MSC-7710, Bethesda, Maryland 20892-7710*

(*Applicants who wish to use express mail or courier service should change the zip code to 20817.)

Applications sent to an address other than the address specified above will be returned to the applicant without review.

Application Deadlines: The deadline for receipt of applications is listed in the table above. Competing applications must be received by the indicated receipt date to be accepted for review. An application received after the deadline may only be accepted if it carries a legible proof-of-mailing date assigned by the carrier and that date is not later than one week prior to the deadline date. Private metered postmarks are not acceptable as proof of timely mailing. Applications received after the deadline date will be returned to the applicant without review.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for activity-specific technical information should be directed to the program contact person identified for the activity covered by this notice (see Section 3).

Requests for information concerning business management issues should be directed to the grants management contact person identified for the activity covered by this notice (see Section 3).

Programmatic Information

1. Program Background and Objectives

SAMHSA's mission within the Nation's health system is to improve the quality and availability of prevention, early intervention, treatment, and rehabilitation services for substance abuse and mental illnesses, including co-occurring disorders, in order to improve health and reduce illness, death, disability, and cost to society.

Reinventing government, with its emphases on redefining the role of Federal agencies and on improving customer service, has provided SAMHSA with a welcome opportunity to examine carefully its programs and activities. As a result of that process, SAMHSA moved assertively to create a renewed and strategic emphasis on using its resources to generate knowledge about ways to improve the prevention and treatment of substance abuse and mental illness and to work with State and local governments as well as providers, families, and consumers to effectively use that knowledge in everyday practice.

2. Criteria for Review and Funding

2.1 General Review Criteria

Competing applications requesting funding under the specific project activity in Section 3 will be reviewed

for technical merit in accordance with established PHS/SAMHSA peer review procedures. Review criteria that will be used by the peer review groups are specified in the application guidance material.

2.2 Award Criteria for Scored Applications

Applications will be considered for funding on the basis of their overall technical merit as determined through the peer review group and the appropriate National Advisory Council review process. Availability of funds will also be an award criteria. Additional award criteria specific to the programmatic activity may be included in the application guidance materials.

3. Special FY 2000 SAMHSA Activities

Targeted Capacity Expansion Program for Substance Abuse Treatment and HIV/AIDS Services (Short Title: TCE/HIV Grant Program), number TI 00-005).

- **Application Deadline:** June 13, 2000.

- **Purpose:** The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration's (SAMHSA) Center for Substance Abuse Treatment (CSAT) announces the availability of funds for grants to enhance and expand substance abuse treatment and HIV/AIDS services in African American, Hispanic/Latino, and/or other racial/ethnic minority communities highly affected by the twin epidemics of substance abuse and HIV/AIDS. This Targeted Capacity Expansion Program for Substance Abuse Treatment and HIV/AIDS Services, or TCE/HIV, seeks to address gaps in substance abuse treatment capacity by increasing the accessibility and availability of substance abuse treatment and HIV/AIDS related services (including treatment for STDs, TB and hepatitis B and C) to African American, Hispanic/Latino, and/or other racial/ethnic minority substance abusers. This Guidance for Applicants (GFA) solicits applications for innovative targeted responses to the epidemic of substance abuse and related HIV/AIDS, and is consistent with Congressional report language.

Note: SAMHSA CSAT has two FY 2000 programs under which funding is available for substance abuse treatment and HIV/AIDS services.

The two programs are: PA 00-001—Grants to Expand Substance Abuse Treatment Capacity in Targeted Areas of Need, and this program, TI 00-005—Targeted Capacity Expansion Program for Substance Abuse Treatment and HIV/AIDS Services. The eligibility

requirements vary for each program; therefore, potential applicants must refer to the specific announcement to determine if they are eligible to apply.

- *Eligible Applicants:* Applications may be submitted by public and domestic private non-profit and for-profit entities, such as units of State or local government and grassroots and/or community-based organizations that have the capacity to provide substance abuse treatment services to African American, Hispanic/Latino, and/or other racial/ethnic minority communities. SAMHSA's CSAT encourages applications from substance abuse treatment programs that have a good record of reaching and serving hardcore, chronic drug users and their sex/needle-sharing partner(s) and facilitating their entry into substance abuse treatment. Targeted communities must be located in a metropolitan statistical area (MSA) with an annual AIDS case rate of, or greater than, 15/100,000 or in a State with an annual AIDS case rate of, or greater than, 10/100,000. SAMHSA CSAT's intention is to target areas at highest risk for HIV transmission. In the absence of consistent reporting of HIV data by all jurisdictions, the best indicator of the magnitude of the epidemic is AIDS case rates derived from CDC HIV/AIDS Surveillance Reports.

In addition to the basic requirements for eligibility, providers of services must be in compliance with all local, city, county, and/or State licensing and/or accreditation/certification requirements, and must also have been providing substance abuse treatment services for a minimum of two years prior to the date of the application. SAMHSA believes that only existing experienced providers have the infrastructure and expertise to provide services and to address emerging and unmet needs as quickly as possible.

- *Amount:* Approximately \$16.0 million will be available to support approximately 30–40 awards under this GFA in FY 2000. Awards are expected to range from \$100,000 to \$500,000 (direct and indirect costs) for projects directed to the following substance abusing populations in African American, Hispanic/Latino, and other racial/ethnic minority communities:

- Women, and women and their children
- Adolescents
- Injecting drug users including men who have sex with men and inject drugs (MSM)
- Men or women who have been released from prisons and jails

Prohibitions: Federal funds awarded under this GFA may not be used to carry

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- *Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number:* 93.230.

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Richard Kopanda,

Executive Officer, SAMHSA.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Endangered and Threatened Species Permit Application

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of receipt of application.

The following applicant has applied for a permit to conduct certain activities with endangered species. This notice is provided pursuant to section 10(c) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531, *et seq.*).

Permit Number TE023308-0

Applicant: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Twin Cities Field Office, Bloomington, Minnesota (Russ Peterson, Field Supervisor)

The applicant requests a permit to take (collect, hold in captivity, propagate, and release) endangered Higgins' eye pearlymussels (*Lampsilis higginsii*) from locations within their historic range in the States of Iowa, Minnesota, and Wisconsin (St. Croix River, Upper Mississippi River, Chippewa River, and Wisconsin River). The applicant proposes to propagate captive mussels at: (1) The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's Genoa National Fish Hatchery; (2) a temporary facility at the Upper Mississippi River, Pools 1-4 (River Mile 853-787); (3) a temporary facility at the lower Chippewa River (RM 0-15); and (4) a temporary facility at the lower Wisconsin River (RM 0-15). The applicant proposes to subsequently relocate host fish infected with glochidia (resulting from propagation) to a temporary facility in the lower Bad Axe River adjacent to the Genoa NFH. Artificially propagated and temporarily held specimens will be reintroduced into the wild at the Upper Mississippi River, Lower Chippewa River, and lower Wisconsin River. The Field Supervisor, Twin Cities Field Office, proposes to serve as project manager including, but not limited to, designation of individuals who meet issuance criteria to work under this permit. This permit is proposed for the enhancement of survival of the species in the wild (protection from zebra mussel (*Dreissena polymorpha*) infestation, in the interest of recovery.)

Written data or comments should be submitted to the Regional Director, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Ecological Services Operations, 1 Federal Drive, Fort Snelling, Minnesota 55111-4056, and must be received within 30 days of the date of this publication.

Documents and other information submitted with this application are available for review by any party who submits a written request for a copy of such documents to the following office within 30 days of the date of publication of this notice: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Ecological Services Operations, 1 Federal Drive, Fort Snelling, Minnesota 55111-4056. Telephone: (612/713-5350); FAX: (612/713-5292).

Dated: February 24, 2000.

Stanley L. Smith,

Acting Assistant Regional Director, Ecological Services, Region 3, Fort Snelling, Minnesota.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[CA-350-1020-DH]

Notice of Intent to Amend Redding Resource Management Plan

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Intent to Amend a Redding Resource Management Plan and Initiation of Public Scoping.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the Federal Land Policy and Management Act (Public Law 94-579), and the National Environmental Policy Act (Public Law 91-190), the Bureau of Land Management, Redding Field Office, will consider a proposal to amend the existing boundary of the Horseshoe Ranch Wildlife Area as delineated in the Redding Resource Management Plan.

DATES: Written scoping comments will be accepted until Friday, March 31, 2000. Written comments on the issues that should be addressed in this proposed Resource Management Plan amendment should be sent to the Bureau of Land Management, Redding Field Office, 355 Hemsted Drive, Redding, CA 96002, Attention: Ilene Emry.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Redding Field Office has received a proposal from the County of Siskiyou to review the existing boundary of the Horseshoe Ranch Area of the Klamath Management Area, Redding Resource Management Plan, dated July 27, 1993. The Horseshoe Ranch Area is located

along the California-Oregon border, east of Interstate 5. The current western boundary of the Horseshoe Ranch Area is Interstate 5. The County has proposed moving the boundary back to the 1983 Horseshoe Ranch Management Plan boundary. This was a joint plan between the BLM and California Department of State Fish and Game. The BLM and the California Department of Fish and Game have a successful cooperative management relationship at Horseshoe Ranch which protects the natural values while minimizing taxpayer costs.

This relationship is mirrored by the BLM and Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife on the north side of the state boundary. In the existing Redding Resource Management Plan, expansion of public land administration westward to Interstate 5 was to complement public management (Pacific Crest Trail, Soda Mountain Wilderness Study Area, existing public land ownership, etc.) in Oregon, enhance public accessibility, and provide more effective long term protection of the interstate deer herd.

The environmental analysis for the Redding Resource Management Plan Amendment will look at alternatives for the current Horseshoe Ranch Area Boundary, which will include no action, reduction, and expansion alternatives. These alternatives will be developed based on internal staff discussions, and public and agency input provided during this scoping process.

The Bureau of Land Management's scoping process will include: (1) identification of issues to be addressed; (2) identification of viable alternatives; and (3) notification of interested groups, individuals, Native American groups, and agencies to determine level of participation and obtain additional information.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Charles M. Schultz or Ilene Emry at (530) 224-2100, (530) 224-2172 (fax), or e-mail iemry@ca.blm.gov.

Charles M. Schultz,

Field Manager.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

Notice of Availability of a General Management Plan (GMP)/Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for Big South Fork National River and Recreation Area (National Area), Kentucky and Tennessee

AGENCY: National Park Service; Interior.