September 7 are calculated from 09/14/2001, unless otherwise indicated.

EIS No. 010337, FINAL EIS, AFS, ID, Spruce Moose and Moose Lake Right-of-Way Analysis Area, Implementation, Timber Harvesting, Road Construction, Reforestation and Watershed Restoration, Clearwater National Forest, Lochsa Ranger District, Idaho County, ID , Wait Period Ends: October 09, 2001, Contact: Cynthia A. Lane (208) 926–4275. This FEIS should have appeared in the **Federal Register** on 09/07/2001. The 30-Day Wait Period is Calculated from 09/07/2001.

EIS No. 010338, FINAL EIS, FHW, TX, Tyler Loop 49 West, Construction from the TX–155 Highway to I–20 Highway, Funding, NPDES and COE Section 404 Permits, Smith County, TX , Wait Period Ends: October 15, 2001, Contact: Paul Clutts (512) 536–5968.

EIS No. 010339, FINAL EIS, AFS, MT, Asarco Rock Creek Copper and Silver Mining Construction and Operation Project, Plan of Operations Approval, Special Use Permit(s), Road Use Permit, Mineral Material Permit, Timber Sale Contract and COE Section 404 Permit Issuance, Kootenai National Forest, Sanders County, MT, Wait Period Ends: October 15, 2001, Contact: John McKay (406) 293–6211. This document is available on the Internet at: DEQ: http://www.deq.state.mt.us/eis.asp and KNF: http://www.fs.fed.us/r1/kootenai.

EIS No. 010340, FINAL EIS, NPS, OK, Washita Battlefield National Historic Site, General Management Plan, Implementation, Roger Mill County, OK, Wait Period Ends: October 15, 2001, Contact: Sarah Craighead (580) 497–2742.

EIS No. 010341, DRAFT EIS, AFS, OR, Shore 'Nuf Timber Sale, a proposal for Harvesting Timber on the Detroit Ranger District, Willamette National Forest, Linn and Marion Counties, OR, Comment Period Ends: October 29, 2001, Contact: Jim Romero (503) 854–4212.

EIS No. 010342, FINAL EIS, BLM, NV, Reno Clay Plant Project, Construct and Operate an Open-Pit Clay Mine and Ore Processing Facility, Plan-of-Operations, Oil-Dri Corporation of Nevada, Hungry Valley, Washoe County, NV, Wait Period Ends: October 15, 2001, Contact: Terri Knutson (775) 885–6156. This document is available on the Internet at: *www.nv.blm.gov/carson.*

EIS No. 010343, Final Supplemental, FHW, IL, FAP Route 340 Transportation Project, Construction from I–55 to I–80, Funding, US Coast Guard Permit and COE Section 404 Permit, Cook, Dupage and Will Counties, IL, Wait Period Ends: October 15, 2001, Contact: Norman R. Stoner (217) 492–4640.

EIS No. 010344, Final EIS, AFS, AK, Woodpecker Project Area, Timber Harvesting, Dispered Recreation Opportunities and Watershed Improvements, Implementation, Tongass National Forest, Petersburg Ranger District, Mitkof Islands, Petersburg, AK, Wait Period Ends: October 15, 2001, Contact: Cynthia Sever (907) 772–3871. This document is available on the Internet at: *www.fs.fed.us/r10/Tongass.*

EIS No. 010345, Final Supplemental, COE, NC, Manteo (Shallowbay) Bay Project, Enlarging andDeepening Basin at Wanchese, Dare County, NC,Wait Period Ends: October 22, 2001, Contact:Glenda Ashford (404) 562–5222.

EIS No. 010346, Draft Supplemental, COE, CA, American River Watershed Long-Term Study, UpdatedInformation, To Provide Flood Damage Reduction and Ecosystem Restoration, between Folsom Dam and the Sacramento River, Sacramento, Placer andSutter Counties, CA, Comment Period Ends: October 29, 2001,Contact: Veronica Petrovsky (916) 557–7245.

*EIS No. 010347, Draft EIS, COE, Programmatic EIS*Nationwide Permits Procedures Review and Examination,US Army Corps of Engineers Section 10 and 404 Permit Issuance,Comment Period Ends: October 29, 2001,Contact: Dr. Bob Brumbaugh (703) 428–7069.

Dated: September 18, 2001.

Joseph C. Montgomery,

Director, NEPA Compliance Division, Office of Federal Activities.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL–7062–7]

Notice of Request for Proposals for Projects To Be Funded From the FY 02 Wetland ProgramDevelopment Cooperative Agreement Allocation

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: EPA Region 6 is soliciting proposals from State agencies, local governments, and Tribes interested in applying for Federal assistance for the State/Tribal/Local Government Wetlands Protection Development Grant Program under the Clean Water Act section 104(b)(3), 33 U.S.C. 1254(b)(3) in the states of Arkansas, Louisiana, New Mexico, Oklahoma and Texas. EPA Region 6 estimates $1.2 million will be awarded to eligible applicants through assistance agreements. The State, Tribe or local government must provide a 25 percent (25%) match of the total costs of the project. 15 percent (15%) of the funding allocation will be targeted to support local and tribal initiatives.

DATES: EPA Region 6 will consider all proposals post marked by November 30, 2001. Proposals received after the due date will not be considered for funding, (no exceptions will be made). Once the proposal is approved for further funding consideration, applicants will be notified to submit a formal application.

ADDRESSES: Send proposals along with the cover sheet included in this notice to: Sondra McDonald (6WQ–AT), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 6, 1445 Ross Avenue, Dallas, Texas 75202–2733.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Sondra McDonald by telephone at 214–665–7187 or by E-mail at *Mcdonald.sondra@epa.gov.* This solicitation notice can also be found at the Assistance Program Branch, State/Tribal Programs Section web site: *www.epa.gov/earth1r6/6wq/at/sttribal.htm.* Or please refer to the National guidelines for the Wetlands Program Development Grants which are published in the September 5, 2001 **Federal Register** or can be viewed at the following web site: *http://www.epa.gov/owow/wetlands/initiative/#financial.*

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

What Is the Purpose of This Request for Proposals?

The purpose of Wetland Development Grants is to assist States, Tribes, and LocalGovernments with developing new wetland programs or refining existing wetland programs, andNOT for operational support of wetland programs. Reviewers will pay special attention to the project's longevity and self-sustaining ability. Additional points may be given to implementation projects that actually demonstrate protection, restoration or enhancement of wetlands. If a proposal does not meet EPA Headquarters or Region 6 priorities, the proposal will not be ranked. The following types of projects will be considered for funding:

Project Implementation

• *Clean Water Action Plan (CWAP):* Projects relating to meeting wetland goals set forth within the plan, namely a net increase of 100,000 acres per year by the year 2005.

Preference will be given to projects that seek to develop self-sustaining, naturally functioning wetland systems. (web page: www.cleanwater.gov)

• *Watershed Projects:*

a. Wetland components of established watershed plans

b. Coastal wetland protection/restoration especially within estuaries areas

• Targeted (but not limited) Wetland Types: projects relating to the protection/restoration of riparian areas, sea grasses, and bottomland hardwoods.

• *Stream Management:*

a. Alternatives to traditional engineering (i.e., such as development of natural stream patterned profiles instead of trapezoidal channels; use of vegetated natural materials for bank stabilization instead of harder structures like rip rap or concrete)

b. Utilizing alternative techniques such as applied fluvial geomorphology

c. Stream management education to include such activities as training and planning in urban/suburban areas

d. Formation of stream team (interagency workgroups designed to evaluate stream modification projects during planning phase) to work with local planning officials to protect/restore streams and wetlands by the use of demonstration projects

• *Continued Development and Implementation of Wetland Protection Programs:* Specifically projects that seek to develop and/or implement statewide/tribal-nationwide programs to assess and monitor overall wetland health and for programs that protect or restore wetlands with the active involvement of local communities. Also, State/Tribal development of wetland assessment/monitoring tools to be utilized in a formal program to assess and monitor overall wetland health

Education/Outreach

Recognizing the importance of public education in wetland protection and management,Region 6 has sought to help S/T/LG improve the public's access to, and education about wetland information. WPDG projects can be used to develop outreach programs, and can also be used to create innovative educational tools for the public. The production of outreach materials alone is not eligible for funding.

a. Programs which are designed to increase awareness and the importance of wetlands to local governments, general public, landowners, and private sector through the use of partnerships, training and/or seminars.

b. Programs which promote wetland education in schools, universities, and youth organizations.

c. Examples of past outreach/education projects funded through the WPDG include:

—conducting outreach and education efforts aimed at improving public understanding of wetland protection and regulatory efforts

—development of outreach programs to inform owners of potential wetland restoration sites of governmental assistance programs

—creating public education programs which promote wetland informatin for American Wetlands month

—creating programs for use of the internet and other technologies for educating the public about wetlands

Partnership Restoration Projects

a. Projects must involve diverse partnerships of ideally five organizations (private sector government, or non-government), that contribute funding, land, technical assistance workforce support, and/or other in-kind services.

b. Projects may be a discrete part of a larger restoration effort.

c. Preference will be given to projects that are part of a larger watershed or community stewardship effort; include specific provisions for long-term management and projection; and demonstrate the value of innovative, collaborative approaches to restoring the nation's waters.

d. Projects must include a strong on-the-ground wetland or riparian component, and should also include education, outreach and community stewardship.

e. Projects must demonstrate measurable ecological, educational, social and/or economic benefits resulting from the completion of the project.

f. Projects that are part of a mitigation requirement are NOT eligible for funding.

Schedule of Activites

September 7, 2001—Target Date for Region 6 to distribute grant solicitation notice.

August 20, 2001—October 1, 2001—Region 6 staff has set-aside this time to assist applicants in preparing more competitive proposals. Contact Donna Mullins 214–665–7576.

November 30, 2001—Proposals must be POSTMARKED by this date, or they will not be accepted. Certified mail is recommended, and keep documentation.

December 10, 2001—January 28, 2002—Review Committee evaluates proposals.

February 8, 2002—Letters are sent requesting formal applications from selected proposals.

March 15, 2002—Formal applications must be POSTMARKED by this date, or they will not be accepted. Certified mail is recommended and keep documentation.

March–July 2002—Awarding of grants and Congressional notification to recipients.

Proposal Format and Contents

A proposal is different from a work plan. To help clarify what constitutes a good proposal, below are the basics your proposal should include. In addition, Region 6 staff has set-aside August 20, 2001 through October 1, 2001 to assist applicants in preparing a more competitive proposal. Please contact Ms. Donna Mullins at 214–665–7576 to arrange for a pre-proposal meeting/review. If you are unsure of any section or criteria, please call Region 6 BEFORE you submit your package. Keep in mind this is a competitive process, and adherence to the proposal guidelines is part of the selection criteria. As a front cover for the proposal, please use the form below. The cover does not count as a page. The proposal should contain the following information, with a maximum of five (5) one sided pages:

1. Title;

2. Introduction with brief background, goals, and objectives;

3. Overview of project, listing each task and deliverable. Give specific information concerning the task, explaining how it will be accomplished, how it relates to the overall project, and how the progress will be monitored;

4. A site map (this will not count as one of the five pages);

5. Any use of contractors must be included and explained. Guidance precludes greater than a 50% pass through to contractors, and specifies significant involvement of grant recipient.

6. Proposed costs, broken down by task, including contractor's costs by task;

7. Identify measures of success, including clear milestones with expected dates. Include the number of wetland acres affected by project;

8. Include a public participation element (40 CFR part 25) in the proposal which reflects how public participation will be provided, encouraged, and assisted. Include a full description of its interagency and public participation

process. This process should go beyond the input stage and include information and methods of sharing throughout the project period;

9. There should be concrete demonstration of coordination/partnership among various agencies. This can be accomplished in various ways, including a written agreement with agencies outlining responsibilities and commitment to the project; and,

10. Region 6 requires a 25% match of the total project cost. The proposal needs to show the Federal assistance amount you are requesting from EPA, 25% minimum agency match, and the total amount for the project. Use the following formula: requested EPA amount divided by 75% equals the total amount for the project. Subtract the EPA amount from the total, and that is the minimum, required match. Your match may exceed 25%. (*Example:* EPA amount $50,000; project total is $66,667; required 25% match is $16,667).

11. Explain if your agency has a Quality Management Plan (QMP) approved by the EPA WaterQuality Protection Division. It must be updated and approved at the beginning of each Fiscal Year. If the project involves sampling or data collection, a Quality Assurance Project Plan (QAPP) will be required, and the QMP must be approved before money can be awarded.

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Use this form as a cover for your proposal

FY 2002 Proposal Cover Sheet for Federal Assistance with Wetlands Protection, State/Tribal/Local Government Agencies ***Please be certain you are a State/Tribal/Local Govt Agency. If you are unsure, research Code of Federal Regulations, Part 40, §31.3 and call before you submit your proposal.**		For EPA Region 6 use only Postmark Date: Proposal Number:
Applicant's Legal Name and Address		Name, Telephone No., Fax No., and E-Mail Address (if available) of Contact Person for the Proposal (name): (phone): (fax): (e-mail):
Title of Proposal		Which one, or more, of the Regional priorities does this project fulfill? If none, is there justification for project?
Estimated Funding Requested:		
a. Federal (what you request from EPA)	$	Type of Applicant: Circle one. A. State Agency B. Local Govt Agency (includes county, municipal, township, Interstate, Intermunicipal, special district) C. Indian Tribe
b. Applicant	$	
c. State	$	
d. Local	$	
e. Other	$	
f. Program Income	$	
g. TOTAL (match must be 25% of this total for project)	$	

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How the Proposals Are Reviewed and Ranked

The Selection Committee reviews each proposal with the following criteria in mind. Each area has a numerical value, with an opportunity for a narrative response. The points of each reviewer for each proposal are totaled, comments are added, then each proposal is given an average. The Committee meets to discuss each proposal and review the results of scoring. The proposals with the highest ranking, up to the estimated amount of funding, are selected. Upon approval of management, formal applications are then requested from the selected applicants.

Proposal Evaluation Criteria

- 1. Does the project meet one or more of the Regional priorities? If not, has the applicant justified the need for the project?
- 2. Does the project have transferability to other State/Tribes/Local governments?
- 3. Did applicant follow proposal guidelines? Did it address all components?
- 4. What is the applicant's past performance, if applicable?
- 5. Is the budget reasonable and appropriate?
- 6. What are the potential environmental results? Does it result in physical, natural restoration? Are the environmental results immediate or long term? How many acres of wetlands are enhanced, restored, created?
- 7. What is the outreach/educational value of the project?
- 8. What is the likelihood of success? Can the project be realistically accomplished?
- 9. Does the project have durable and sustainable characteristics; in other words, will it outlive the project period?
- 10. Is the project part of an approved State Wetlands Conservation Plan?

Jayne Fontenot,

Acting Director, Water Quality Protection Division.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[OPP–34239; FRL–6804–5]

Technical Briefing on Background, Methods, and Data Proposed for Use in the Organophosphate Pesticide Cumulative Exposure Assessment for Drinking Water; Notice of Public Meeting

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: EPA is announcing a public technical briefing for October 3, 2001, to further the public discussion on the methods and data proposed for use in the organophosphate pesticide cumulative exposure assessment for drinking water. The briefing will update stakeholders on the probabilistic method proposed for use in the drinking water assessment, the methods for estimating exposures to be used in the probabilistic assessment, and the data required by those methods. The Agency will provide preliminary data on usage and use patterns for stakeholder review.

DATES: The technical briefing will be held on Wednesday, October 3, 2001, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. On Thursday, October 4, 2001, from 9 a.m. to noon, EPA and USDA will hold a public meeting of the CARAT Workgroup on Cumulative Risk Assessment/Public Participation Process to discuss issues and questions regarding drinking water as a follow-up to the technical briefing.

ADDRESSES: Both the technical briefing and the follow-up meeting will be held at the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association Conference Center, 4301 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA (across from the Ballston Metro Stop).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: *For general information contact*: Terria Northern, Special Review and Reregistration Division (7508C), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460; telephone number: (703) 305–7093; fax number: (703) 308–8005; e-mail address: northern.terria&epa.gov.

For technical information contact: Laura Parsons, Special Review and Reregistration Division (7508C), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460; telephone number: (703) 305–5776; fax number: (703) 308–8005; e-mail address: parsons.laura&epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Does this Action Apply to Me?

This action is directed to the public in general. This action may, however, be of interest to persons who are concerned about implementation of the Food Quality Protection Act (FQPA). Passed in 1996, this law strengthens the nation's system for regulating pesticides on food. Participants may include environmental/public interest and consumer groups; industry and trade associations; pesticide user and grower groups; Federal, State, and local governments; food processors; academia; general public; etc. Since others may also be interested, the Agency has not attempted to describe all the specific entities that may be affected by this action. If you have any questions regarding the applicability of this action to a particular entity, consult the technical person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

II. How Can I Get Additional Information, Including Copies of this Document or Other Related Documents?

1. *Electronically*. You may obtain electronic copies of this document, and certain other related documents that might be available electronically, from the EPA Internet Home Page at http://www.epa.gov/. To access this document, on the Home Page select ''Laws and Regulations,'' ''Regulations and Proposed Rules,'' and then look up the entry for this document under the ''**Federal Register**—Environmental Documents.'' You can also go directly to the **Federal Register** listings at http://www.epa.gov/fedrgstr/.

To access information about the cumulative process, go directly to the Home Page for the Office of Pesticides at http://www.epa.gov/pesticides/cumulative.

2. *In person*. The Agency has established an administrative record for this meeting under docket control number OPP–34239. The administrative record consists of the documents specifically referenced in this notice, any public comments received during an applicable comment period, and other information related to the cumulative risk assessment of organophosphate pesticides. This administrative record includes the documents that are physically located in the docket, as well as the documents that are referenced in those documents. The public version of the administrative record, which includes printed, paper versions of any electronic comments that may be submitted during an applicable comment period, is available for inspection in the Public Information and Records Integrity Branch (PIRIB),