

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE**Federal Bureau of Prisons****Notice of Intent to Prepare a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) for Development of a Medium/High-Security Federal Correctional Facility in Terre Haute, Indiana**

AGENCY: U.S. Department of Justice, Federal Bureau of Prisons.

ACTION: Notice of Intent to Prepare a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS).

SUMMARY:**Proposed Action**

The United States Department of Justice, Federal Bureau of Prisons has determined that additional medium/high-security federal correctional facilities are needed in its system.

The DEIS will focus upon a 1,000-acre (approximately) tract of land currently controlled by the Federal Bureau of Prisons in Terre Haute, Indiana.

This notice also initiates the Federal Bureau of Prisons' responsibilities under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended.

The Federal Bureau of Prisons proposes to build and operate a medium/high-security federal correctional facility in Terre Haute, Indiana. The facility would provide secure correctional habitation for approximately 1,000–1,200 inmates. The Federal Bureau of Prisons proposes to build the facility adjacent to the existing United States Penitentiary, Terre Haute, on a portion of the land currently controlled by the Federal Bureau of Prisons. The site appears to be of sufficient size to provide space for inmate housing, correctional programs, administrative services and other support areas such as parking and perimeter security.

The Process

In the process of evaluating the site, several aspects will receive detailed examination including: utilities, traffic patterns, noise levels, visual intrusion, threatened and endangered species and socioeconomic impacts. Possible archeological and cultural resources will be studied and documented pursuant to the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended.

Alternatives

In developing the DEIS, the options of "no action" and other "alternatives" for the proposed facility will be fully and thoroughly examined.

Scoping Process

During the preparation of the DEIS, there will be opportunities for public involvement in order to determine the issues to be examined. A public Scoping Meeting will be held at the Terre Haute South High School Cafeteria, 3737 South 7th Street, Terre Haute, Indiana, at 7:00 p.m. on May 17, 2000. The meeting will be well publicized and will be held at a time which will make it possible for the public and interested agencies or organizations to attend. In addition, the Federal Bureau of Prisons will host an agency Scoping Meeting on May 3, 2000, and sponsor other meetings with the public as required.

DEIS Preparation

Public notice will be given concerning the availability of the DEIS for public review and comment.

Address

Questions concerning the proposed action and the DEIS may be directed to: David J. Dorworth, Chief, Site Selection and Environmental Review Branch, Federal Bureau of Prisons, 320 First Street, NW, Washington, DC 20534, telephone (202) 514-6470, telefacsimile (202) 616-6024, email: siteselection@bop.gov.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR**Office of the Secretary****Women in Apprenticeship and Nontraditional Occupations DOL FY 2000 Budget, Training and Employment Services (TES) 1600174**

AGENCY: Women's Bureau, Department of Labor.

ACTION: Notice of Availability of Funds and Solicitation for Grant Applications (SGA 00-03).

SUMMARY: All information required to submit a proposal is contained in this announcement. Applicants for grant funds should read this notice in its entirety and respond as directed. Grant proposals that are not completed as directed will be judged nonresponsive and will not be evaluated.

The Women's Bureau (WB), U.S. Department of Labor (DOL) announces the Solicitation for Grant Applications (SGA) authorized under the Women in Apprenticeship and Nontraditional

Occupations (WANTO) Act of 1992. The major provisions of the WANTO legislation are to "assist business in providing women with opportunities in apprenticeship and nontraditional occupations." The WANTO grant program funds Community-Based Organizations (CBOs) to provide technical assistance (TA) to employers and labor unions (E/LUs) that will "enable business to meet the challenge of Workforce 2000." The challenge is greater than the shortage of skilled workers in construction trades, and it is especially acute in recruiting and retaining workers with technology skills in nonconstruction industries with increasing inputs of technological innovation that interfaces with computer-based information technology, e.g., telecommunications, utilities, manufacturing, transportation, and services.

The Women's Bureau co-administers WANTO with the DOL's Bureau of Apprenticeship and Training (BAT), with the WB having responsibility for implementing the grant process. Congress first appropriated funds for WANTO in Fiscal Year (FY) 1994, under JTPA (Title IV-D). JTPA expires on June 30, 2000, and will be superseded by the Workforce Investment Act (WIA) on July 1, 2000. WANTO (FY) 2000 is funded by DOL (FY) 2000 Budget: Training and Employment Services (TES) 1600174.

The Department of Labor will competitively award grants to CBOs who represent the best from the segment of CBOs actively involved in pre-apprenticeship and skills training, advocacy, technical assistance to employers/labor unions, mentorship, and other support services to increase the participation of women in apprenticeship and skilled, high-pay nontraditional occupations (A/NTO). These CBOs must provide TA to E/LUs to prepare them to successfully recruit, train, and retain women in apprenticeable and other skilled high-pay nontraditional occupations. In addition, TA must include strategic planning with E/LUs for identifying sources of support services—child care, transportation, and necessary transitional costs—to ensure the successful transition of women to apprenticeship and other skilled high-pay workplaces. As a result, the Department expects employers and labor unions "to expand the employment and self-sufficiency options of women."

Further, the Department will give priority consideration to proposals in the following order: (1) CBOs in the 32 States previously unserved by WANTO, (2) CBOs working to employ women