

use of favorable tides, and daylight transit only. Structural measures proposed include dredging to various depths in combination with dredged material placement at a range of sites. Three sets of alternative deepening plans were evaluated based on three different depths (30 feet mean lower low water [MLLW], 32 feet MLLW, and 35 feet MLLW) and three alternative sediment placement locations (beneficial use, deep ocean disposal at the San Francisco Deep Ocean Disposal Site, and an in-bay site), which resulted in a total of 16 alternatives considered including the no-action plan. The final array of four alternatives (including the No Action Alternative) from the alternative formulation process were carried forward for analysis in the EA.

The recommended plan (Proposed Action, Agency-Preferred Alternative) is the National Economic Development Plan (Alternative 6) to dredge the Central Basin to 32 feet MLLW plus two feet of overdepth and place all of the material at the San Francisco Deep Ocean Disposal Site. Approximately 237,700 cubic yards of material (including the two feet of overdepth) would be dredged.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army, Army Corps of Engineers

Notice of Intent To Prepare a Draft Environmental Impact Statement for the Proposed Centennial Reservoir Project, Nevada and Placer Counties, CA, Corps Permit Application Number SPK-2016-00030

AGENCY: Department of the Army, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, DoD.

ACTION: Notice of intent.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps), Sacramento District, as the lead Federal agency under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) will prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the proposed Centennial Reservoir Project (Proposed Action). On April 25, 2016, the Nevada Irrigation District (NID) (applicant) submitted a Department of the Army (DA) permit application under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act, to discharge dredged and/or fill material into waters of the United States (WOUS) for the construction of a new 110,000 acre-foot water supply reservoir. The Proposed

Action is located on the Bear River, downstream of Rollins Reservoir and upstream of Combie Reservoir, west of the Town of Colfax, Nevada and Placer Counties, California. NID's stated purpose for the Proposed Action is to provide drought and climate change-mitigation, meet projected future water supply needs, and improve water supply reliability for NID's customers.

DATES: Interested parties are invited to submit written comments on or before April 10, 2017. Written comments can be submitted at any time prior to publication of the Draft EIS.

ADDRESSES: Submit comments by email at CESPKCentennialReser@usace.army.mil, or by mail at 1325 J Street, Room 1350, Sacramento, CA 95814-2922.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Kara Hellige by telephone at 970-259-1604, or email at CESPKCentennialReser@usace.army.mil.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Two public scoping meetings will be held to present an overview of the Proposed Action and the Draft EIS process, and to afford all interested parties with an opportunity to provide comments. The first meeting will be held on March 1, 2017, from 4:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the Holiday Inn Auburn Hotel, 120 Grass Valley Highway, Auburn, CA 95603. The second public scoping meeting will be held on March 2, 2017, from 4:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at Gold Miners Inn/Holiday Inn Express & Suites, 121 Bank Street, Grass Valley, CA 95945. Project information will also be posted periodically on the internet at <http://www.spk.usace.army.mil/Missions/Regulatory/Permitting/Environmental-Impact-Statements/>. Parties interested in being added to the Corps' electronic mail notification list for the Proposed Action can obtain a request form at <http://www.spk.usace.army.mil/Media/Regulatory-Public-Notices/>. Please refer to Department of the Army number SPK-2016-00030 in any correspondence.

The proposed Centennial Reservoir project involves the construction of a new 110,000 acre-foot reservoir on the Bear River between the existing Rollins and Combie Reservoirs. The Proposed Action would extend upriver from just above the existing Combie Reservoir for slightly over six miles to a point west of the Town of Colfax, approximately two miles downstream of the existing Rollins Dam. The Proposed Action would include construction of a new dam and associated facilities and infrastructure. The anticipated water depth at the dam would be

approximately 255 feet and the height of the dam would be approximately 275 feet. NID anticipates that low impact public recreational opportunities (e.g., 5 mile per hour maximum speed on the reservoir, pedestrian trails, swimming, and kayaking) would also be included with the Proposed Action.

Approximately 2,200 acres of land would be affected through inundation and construction activities related to the project, which includes over 6 miles of river channel. The Proposed Action would permanently impact approximately 0.97 acre of WOUS for the construction of the dam and would permanently inundate approximately 190 acres of WOUS. Temporary impacts associated with the project have not yet been determined. Additional indirect impacts to WOUS may occur as a result of the Proposed Action. The Proposed Action will also require rerouting of Dog Bar Road along with other smaller roadways to maintain traffic flow within and between Nevada and Placer Counties. The Corps, as the lead agency responsible for compliance with NEPA, determined that the Proposed Action may result in significant direct, indirect, and cumulative impacts to the environment and that the preparation of an EIS is required. The Corps identified six Federal, state, and local agencies that may have jurisdiction by law over the Proposed Action and on June 10, 2016, invited these agencies as cooperating agencies on the EIS per 40 CFR 1501.6. To date, the US Environmental Protection Agency and the Bureau of Land Management have agreed to be cooperating agencies.

The Draft EIS will include alternatives to the Proposed Action that will meet NEPA requirements for a reasonable range of alternatives, and will also meet the requirements of the CWA Section 404(b)(1) Guidelines. A number of water supply operation alternatives, as well as alternative dam sites and types have been/are being considered. Additional alternatives include but may not be limited to: (1) Alternative storage sites within NID's service area (including expansion of existing storage reservoirs); and (2) water supply operations alternatives to improve the efficiency of existing water supply and conveyance infrastructure which may include but are not be limited to lining of existing water supply canals and rehabilitating aged infrastructure. The specific alternatives to be evaluated within the Draft EIS have not yet been developed, but will, at a minimum, include the No Action Alternative and the Proposed Action Alternative.

The Corps' public involvement program includes several opportunities

to provide verbal and written comments on the Proposed Action through the EIS process. Affected federal, state, and local agencies, Native American tribes, other interested private organizations and parties, and the general public are invited to participate. Potentially significant issues to be analyzed in depth in the Draft EIS include the loss of WOUS (including wetlands) and impacts related to: Aesthetics, air quality, agriculture and forestry resources, terrestrial and aquatic biological resources, cultural resources, environmental justice, geology and soils, greenhouse gas emissions, hazards and hazardous materials, hydrology and water quality, land use and planning, noise, public services, recreation, socioeconomics, transportation and traffic, and utilities and service systems. The EIS will also evaluate the cumulative and indirect effects of the Proposed Action, other developed alternatives, and other related projects in the study area.

The Corps will consult with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and National Marine Fisheries Service under Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act for proposed impacts to listed species. The Corps will also consult with Native American tribes and with the State Historic Preservation Officer to comply with the National Historic Preservation Act for proposed impacts to properties listed or potentially eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places, as appropriate.

A 45-day public review period will be provided for interested parties, individuals, and agencies to review and comment on the draft EIS. All interested parties are encouraged to respond to this notice and provide a current address if they wish to be notified of the draft EIS circulation.

The Draft EIS is expected to be available for public review and comment by January 2018.

Dated: January 31, 2017.

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Chief, Regulatory Division.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Navy

Notice of Intent To Grant Exclusive License; Superior Armor Systems, Inc.

AGENCY: Department of the Navy, DOD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Navy hereby gives notice of its intent to grant

to Superior Armor Systems, Inc. a revocable, nonassignable, exclusive license to practice in all fields of use, the Government-owned invention described in U.S. Patent Application No. 12/312,150 A1: Body Armor of Ceramic Ball Embedded Polymer and any continuations, divisionals or re-issues thereof.

DATES: Anyone wishing to object to the grant of this license must file written objections along with supporting evidence, if any, not later than February 27, 2017.

ADDRESSES: Written objections are to be filed with the Naval Surface Warfare Center, Dahlgren Division, Technical Partnering Office, Code 00T1, 17632 Dahlgren Road, Suite 201, Dahlgren, Virginia 22448-5154.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Lorraine Harting, Domestic Partnering Outreach Lead, Technical Partnering Office, 17632 Dahlgren Road, Suite 201, Dahlgren, Virginia 22448-5154. Due to U.S. Postal delays, please fax 540-653-6416, email: lorraine.harting@navy.mil or use courier delivery to expedite response.

Authority: 35 U.S.C. 207, 37 CFR part 404.

Dated: February 3, 2017.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Applications for New Awards; Upward Bound Math and Science Program

AGENCY: Office of Postsecondary Education, Department of Education.

ACTION: Notice.

Overview Information:
Upward Bound Math and Science Program.

Notice Inviting Applications for New Awards for Fiscal Year (FY) 2017.

Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) Number: 84.047M.

DATES:

Applications Available: February 10, 2017.

Deadline for Transmittal of Applications: March 22, 2017.

Deadline for Intergovernmental Review: May 22, 2017.

Full Text of Announcement

I. Funding Opportunity Description

Purpose of Program: The Upward Bound (UB) Program is one of the seven

programs known as the Federal TRIO Programs. The UB Program is a discretionary grant program that supports projects designed to provide students with the skills and motivation necessary to complete a program of secondary education and to enter into, and succeed in, a program of postsecondary education. There are three types of grants under the UB Program: UB; Veterans UB; and UB Math and Science (UBMS) grants.

In this notice we invite applications for UBMS grants only. The invitation to apply for UB grants has been announced and we will invite applications for Veterans UB grants in a forthcoming notice.

The UBMS Program supports projects designed to prepare high school students for postsecondary education programs that lead to careers in the fields of math and science.

UBMS grantees are required to provide the services listed in sections 402C(b) and (c) of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended (HEA) (20 U.S.C. 1070a-13). Grantees may also provide the permissible services in section 402C(d) of the HEA. UBMS Program grantees must also provide the services listed in 34 CFR 645.14(a) and may provide the services listed in 34 CFR 645.14(b).

Background

The Federal TRIO programs, including the UBMS Program, represent a national commitment to education for all students regardless of race, ethnic background, disability status, or economic circumstances. The Department has a strong interest in ensuring that groups traditionally underrepresented in postsecondary education, such as low-income students, first-generation college students, students with limited English proficiency, students with disabilities, homeless students, students who are in foster care or aging out of foster care, and other disconnected students, receive services provided by the UBMS Program.

The UBMS Program is a critical component of the Department's efforts to improve college readiness, access and completion for students who have been traditionally underrepresented in postsecondary education. To more strategically align UBMS grants with broader reform strategies intended to improve postsecondary access and completion, this notice includes a competitive preference priority that encourages applicants to propose activities that are supported by moderate evidence of effectiveness (as defined in this notice). The Department