

OMB Number: 1290-0003.

Frequency: On occasion.

Affected Public: Individuals or households; business or other for-profit; not-for-profit institutions; farms; Federal Government; and State, Local, or Tribal Government.

Number of Respondents: 2,333,736.

Number of Annual Responses: 3,719,308.

Estimated Time Per Response: 2 minutes.

Total Burden Hours: 111,579.

Total Annualized Capital/Startup Costs: \$0.

Total Annual Costs (operating/maintaining systems or purchasing services): \$0.

Description: The President's Management Agenda for E-Government (February 27, 2002) sets forth a strategy for simplifying the delivery of services to citizens. The President's agenda outlines a Federal E-Government Enterprise Architecture that will transition the management and delivery of government services from a bureaucracy-centered to a citizen-centered paradigm. To this end, the Department of Labor serves as the managing partner of the Administration's "GovBenefits" (formerly "Eligibility Assistance Online") strategy for assisting citizens in identifying and locating information on benefits sponsored by the Federal government. This tool will greatly reduce the burden on citizens attempting to locate services available from many different government agencies by providing one-stop access to information on obtaining those services.

From time to time, the precise questions or content may require modification to accommodate additions to the GovBenefits portal as well as new or revised services.

Respondents answer a series of questions to the extent necessary for locating relevant information on Federal benefits.

Responses are used by the respondent to expedite the identification and retrieval of sought after information and resources pertaining to benefits sponsored by the Federal government.

Ira L. Mills,

Departmental Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment and Training Administration

Solicitation for Grant Applications (SGA) for H-1B Technical Skills Training Grants

AGENCY: Employment and Training Administration (ETA), Labor.

ACTION: Notice; cancellation.

SUMMARY: The Employment and Training Administration published a document in the **Federal Register** of April 13, 2001, concerning the availability of grant funds for H-1B Technical Skills Training Grants unemployed and employed American workers. This document is being cancelled. A new SGA for the H-1B Technical Skills Training Grants will be announced within 30 days from the cancellation date.

EFFECTIVE DATES: This cancellation is effective November 4, 2002.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ella Freeman, Grants Management Specialist, Division of Federal Assistance, Telephone (202) 693-3301. (This is not a toll-free number). You must specifically ask for Ella Freeman.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Department is canceling the Solicitation for Grant Applications (SGA) for H-1B Technical Skills Training Grants. These grants are financed by a user fee paid by employers to bring foreign workers into the U.S. on a temporary basis to work in high skill or speciality occupations.

Dated: October 11, 2002.

Signed in Washington, DC, this 15th day of October, 2002.

James W. Stockton,
Grant Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment Standards Administration; Wage and Hour Division

Minimum Wages for Federal and Federally Assisted Construction; General Wage Determination Decisions

General wage determination decisions of the Secretary of Labor are issued in accordance with applicable law and are based on the information obtained by the Department of Labor from its study of local wage conditions and data made available from other sources. They specify the basic hourly wage rates and fringe benefits which are determined to

be prevailing for the described classes of laborers and mechanics employed on construction projects of a similar character and in the localities specified therein.

The determinations in these decisions of prevailing rates and fringe benefits have been made in accordance with 49 CFR part 1, by authority of the Secretary of Labor pursuant to the provisions of the Davis-Bacon Act of March 3, 1931, as amended (46 Stat. 1494, as amended, 40 U.S.C. 276a) and of other Federal statutes referred to in 29 CFR Part 1, Appendix, as well as such additional statutes as may from time to time be enacted containing provisions for the payment of wages determined to be prevailing by the Secretary of Labor in accordance with the Davis-Bacon Act. The prevailing rates and fringe benefits determined in these decisions shall, in accordance with the provisions of the foregoing statutes, constitute the minimum wages payable on Federal and federally assisted construction projects to laborers and mechanics of the specified classes engaged on contract work of the character and in the localities described therein.

Good cause is hereby found for not utilizing notice and public comment procedure thereon prior to the issuance of these determinations as prescribed in 5 U.S.C. 553 and not providing for delay in the effective date as prescribed in that section, because the necessity to issue current construction industry wage determinations frequently and in large volume causes procedures to be impractical and contrary to the public interest.

General wage determination decisions, and modifications and supersedeas decisions thereto, contain no expiration dates and are effective from their date of notice in the **Federal Register**, or on the date written notice is received by the agency, whichever is earlier. These decisions are to be used in accordance with the provisions of 29 CFR parts 1 and 5. Accordingly, the applicable decision, together with any modifications issued, must be made a part of every contract for performance of the described work within the geographic area indicated as required by an applicable Federal prevailing wage law and 29 CFR part 5. The wage rates and fringe benefits, notice of which is published herein, and which are contained in the Government Printing Office (GPO) document entitled "General Wage Determinations Issued Under The Davis-Bacon and Related Acts," shall be the minimum paid by contractors and subcontractors to laborers and mechanics.