

Commission; U.S. Department of Commerce, Economic Development Administration; Department of Housing and Urban Development; Kentucky Highlands Empowerment Zone; and Kentucky Tobacco Settlement money. In accordance with 40 CFR 1501.5, Lead Agencies, the RUS is the lead Agency for the EIS and the U.S. Forest Service is the Cooperating Agency.

The Draft EIS was published May 26, 2000 for a 45-day comment period. In addition, two public meetings were held in McKee, Kentucky on June 27, 2000 to solicit comments from the public and other interested parties.

Comments received from agencies and the public on the Draft EIS and revision of the water needs analysis led to the reassessment of various reservoir and non-reservoir alternatives for meeting Jackson County's projected water needs. As a result of this reassessment, two types of alternatives are now considered to be reasonable for meeting those needs. The action proposed by the Jackson County Empowerment Zone Community, Incorporated (EZ), Jackson County Fiscal Court, and the Jackson County Water Association (JCWA) consists of either the construction of a roller-compacted concrete (RCC) dam to create a reservoir within Jackson County, Kentucky, and the construction of a raw water transmission main from the proposed reservoir to the existing JCWA Treatment Plant, or the construction of a water transmission pipeline from an existing surface water resource in a neighboring county to Jackson County for the purposes of importing additional water. For the dam and reservoir alternatives, a 300-foot buffer zone surrounding the reservoir horizontally from the normal pool level has been proposed to protect the water quality of the reservoir by restricting development and certain land uses in this area. Along with the dam, a water intake structure and a pump house would be constructed to pump water out of the reservoir. Proposed recreational development around the reservoir may include a boat ramp, boat dock, public beach, hiking trails, picnic areas, and a primitive campground.

In the Draft EIS both the Rural Utilities Service and the Jackson County Empowerment Zone asserted that their preferred alternative for meeting the purpose and need of the proposed action was the War Fork and Steer Fork proposal. After comparing project costs, user rates impacts, future growth prospects of Jackson County and the surrounding area, and evaluating other relevant information with regard to the reasonable alternatives considered in

the EIS, RUS has identified the War Fork and Steer Fork, 3.5 MGD reservoir as their preferred alternative. The Jackson County Empowerment Zone concurs.

The War Fork and Steer Fork dam site is located about 0.5 miles southwest of Turkey Foot in eastern Jackson County. The dam would be situated on War Fork, 0.75 miles north of the confluence with Steer Fork. The dam would be about 87 to 107 feet tall, 760 to 790 feet long, and 102 to 122 feet wide, creating a reservoir with an average yield of 3.5 mgd of raw water. At a normal pool elevation of 980 feet above mean sea level (MSL), the surface area of this reservoir would be about 116 acres. At a potential maximum flood elevation of 1,000 feet above MSL, the surface area of the reservoir would be approximately 162 acres. The total acreage for a reservoir at maximum flood level at this site, with a 300-foot buffer extending from normal pool level, would be about 337 acres of land. As much of this land is currently part of the Daniel Boone National Forest, land acquisition at this site would require a land exchange with the U.S. Forest Service. The War Fork and Steer Fork reservoir site has been identified as the Lead Agency's Preferred Alternative.

With this notice, RUS invites any affected Federal, State, and local Agencies and other interested persons to comment on the Final EIS.

Dated: May 24, 2001.

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## **COMMITTEE FOR PURCHASE FROM PEOPLE WHO ARE BLIND OR SEVERELY DISABLED**

### **Procurement List Proposed Additions**

**AGENCY:** Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled.

**ACTION:** Proposed Additions to Procurement List.

**SUMMARY:** The Committee is proposing to add to the Procurement List services to be furnished by nonprofit agencies employing persons who are blind or have other severe disabilities.

**COMMENTS MUST BE RECEIVED ON OR BEFORE:** July 2, 2001.

**ADDRESS:** Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled, Jefferson Plaza 2, Suite 10800,

1421 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, Virginia 22202-3259.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Patrick T. Mooney (703) 603-7740.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This notice is published pursuant to 41 U.S.C. 47(a) (2) and 41 CFR 51-2.3. Its purpose is to provide interested persons an opportunity to submit comments on the possible impact of the proposed actions.

If the Committee approves the proposed additions, all entities of the Federal Government (except as otherwise indicated) will be required to procure the services listed below from nonprofit agencies employing persons who are blind or have other severe disabilities.

I certify that the following action will not have a significant impact on a substantial number of small entities. The major factors considered for this certification were:

1. The action will not result in any additional reporting, recordkeeping or other compliance requirements for small entities other than the small organizations that will furnish the services to the Government.

2. The action will result in authorizing small entities to furnish the services to the Government.

3. There are no known regulatory alternatives which would accomplish the objectives of the Javits-Wagner-O'Day Act (41 U.S.C. 46-48c) in connection with the services proposed for addition to the Procurement List. Comments on this certification are invited. Commenters should identify the statement(s) underlying the certification on which they are providing additional information.

The following services have been proposed for addition to Procurement List for production by the nonprofit agencies listed:

#### **Services**

Janitorial/Custodial

U.S. Army Reserve Center, Bullville, Route 17K, Bullville, New York

NPA: Occupations, Inc., Middletown, New York

Mailroom Operation

Department of Health and Human Services, Program Support Center Headquarters, Dallas, Texas

NPA: Dallas Lighthouse for the Blind, Inc., Dallas, Texas

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