

reducing duplication of effort for applicants. The Service Site application is submitted by AmeriCorps programs who want to host an AmeriCorps Leader. The Service Site application questions have also been slightly modified to provide additional clarity on the proposed role of the Leader and support mechanisms available to the Leader.

DATES: The Corporation for National and Community Service, AmeriCorps Leaders Program Office will consider written comments on the AmeriCorps Leaders Program Leader and Site Applications received within 60 days from the date of publication. The Corporation for National Service is particularly interested in comments which:

- Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Corporation, including whether the information will have practical utility;
- Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- Enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submissions of responses.

ADDRESSES: Send comments to Julie Catlett, Deputy Director, AmeriCorps Leaders Program, Corporation for National and Community Service, 1201 New York Avenue, N.W., Room 9710-B, Washington, D.C., 20525

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Julie Catlett (202) 606-5000, Extension 164.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose of the Revisions

(1) AmeriCorps Leaders Program Leader Application and Reference Forms—as part of a Corporation-wide effort to reduce duplication of effort, the AmeriCorps Leaders Program has agreed to utilize the Part A AmeriCorps Application for basic recruitment information gathering. Therefore, some revision of our application was necessary to accommodate to the new Part A. The AmeriCorps Leaders Program developed the Part B portion to attain more detailed information on the applicant's leadership experiences,

skills, and references. There is also a section added to assist the AmeriCorps Leaders Program in finding an appropriate Service Site match for the Leader.

(2) AmeriCorps Leaders Program Site Application—

- **Contact Information—**Contact Information was rephrased and separated to distinguish between the person authorized to submit the application and the person who will ultimately supervise the AmeriCorps Leader.

- **Program Description—**Additional question added to request the Grant Identification Number of the program to assist in determining the eligibility of the program. Questions removed were the Number of Participants as this information was deemed extraneous and Amount of Time in Operation as this question became irrelevant to selection.

- **Program's Need for an AmeriCorps Leader—**This set of three questions has been combined and rephrased to encourage programs to view this program as a learning experience for the Leader, rather than an extra set of hands for their program. Therefore, parts A and B have been combined and programs must now justify why their program is best suited to providing a leadership service-learning experience that not only educates the Leader but also satisfies the needs of the program. Part C has been separated out as a new question to emphasize the importance of building sustainability into the proposal.

- **Job Description—**Programs are now required to document how AmeriCorps Leaders will carry out their shared responsibilities to the national service arena with support documentation from State Commissions and/or Parent Organizations indicating they support the activities. The responsibilities of the Leader have been rephrased and clarified to emphasize that the AmeriCorps Leaders Program is a service leadership training program and that the experiences and responsibilities of the Leader in a Service Site should be complementary to their training curriculum and designed to enhance the growth of the Leader while meeting the needs of the program.

- **Recruitment and Selection of a Leader—**The section regarding nomination has been cut, programs are now only able to nominate one candidate and the candidate is required to sign the Site application if they intend to return to that program. This will immediately indicate Leaders and Sites who are "instant matches." The section regarding the Leader's experience in one of the issue areas

listed has been broadened to allow for the changing emphasis of AmeriCorps programs.

- **Support for the Leader—**One question has been added regarding both in-kind and financial support of the AmeriCorps Leader. The question seeks to ensure that the Site is prepared to functionally support the AmeriCorps Leader by providing an appropriate place to work and access to office equipment and supplies, and to financially support the Leader's activities should the description of the Leader's responsibilities indicate such a financial need. (An example would be providing reimbursement for travel expenses if the Leader is required to visit Members across a state.) The section on supervision has been eliminated, the only information required will be the contact information on the first page.

These documents are available in alternate format upon request (202-606-5000 ext. 164).

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for Office of Management and Budget approval of the information collection request; they will also become a matter of public record.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army

Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Fort Bliss Mission and Master Plan, Fort Bliss, Texas

AGENCY: U.S. Army Air Defense Center and Fort Bliss, Fort Bliss, Texas, Department of the Army.

ACTION: Notice of intent.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Army is updating the Installation Master Plan for Fort Bliss, Texas, and New Mexico. As a part of its efforts to manage military training and to provide effective stewardship of installation lands, the Army will prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) on the overall missions and activities at Fort Bliss in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), Public Law 91-190 (42 U.S.C. 4341). It will evaluate potential impacts from existing mission activities and reasonably foreseeable mission and activity changes projected for Fort Bliss

as the installation adopts revisions to the installation's Master Plan, the Integrated Natural Resources Management Plan, Cultural Resources Management Plan, and the Range Modernization Plan.

Fort Bliss has approximately 1.1 million acres of land in Texas and New Mexico comprising a complex of facilities and ranges to support training and test activities of the U.S. Army and other organizations. The main components of this complex include the main cantonment area (which houses most support facilities), Biggs Army Airfield, and three military training ranges: South Fort Bliss, Dona Ana Range, and McGregor Range.

The installation is the home of the Army Air Defense Artillery (ADA) Center and Fort Bliss, the Army Air Defense Artillery School, and over 30 tenant units. It is among the largest Army posts in the continental United States (CONUS) and is the only troop training installation in CONUS capable of supporting long-range missile firings.

The following organizations are currently located or anticipated for stationing on the installation:

- The Test and Experimentation Command's Air Defense Artillery Test Directorate provides the ADA Center with an independent organization capable of conducting air defense weapons experimentation, force development, and operational testing.
- Joint Task Force Six provides assistance and support to various law enforcement agencies with drug interdiction missions.
- The U.S. Army Sergeants Major Academy trains enlisted leaders.
- The William Beaumont Army Medical Center, a part of the Army Medical Command, provides full-service medical treatment for all military services in Arizona, New Mexico, and West Texas.
- Fort Bliss is the home station for the German Air Force Command in the United States and Canada, and the German Air Defense School.
- Four ADA Brigades aligned under the U.S. Army Forces Command are scheduled to be stationed at Fort Bliss.

Alternatives: The EIS will identify existing mission activities and reasonably foreseeable mission and activity changes projected for Fort Bliss through the installation's Master Plan, Integrated Natural Resources Management Plan, Cultural Resources Management Plan, and Range Modernization Plan. The EIS will describe the existing environment, cultural and natural resources, social, economic, and environmental justice conditions and impacts to those existing

conditions associated with the overall mission of Fort Bliss. The EIS will consider reasonable alternatives including the status quo, implementation of the Master Plan, and full mobilization of active Army and reserve forces planned for Fort Bliss as described in the installation's Mobilization Plan.

Significant issues that will be addressed are current and planned Fort Bliss activities that could potentially impact over 1.1 million acres of the installation. Within this area are at least 13,900 known archaeological sites, 2,000 of which may be eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places, and potentially five federally listed endangered or threatened species. Implementation of the Master Plan will also result in demolition and new construction of facilities throughout the main cantonment area.

Additional significant issues that must be considered but will be covered with their own environmental documentation are: Continued withdrawal of land from public domain (McGregor Range) for military training; and the U.S. Air Force's Holloman Air Force Base proposal to locate a target area on McGregor Range.

Scoping: Scoping meetings in connection with this EIS will be held in three communities: Las Cruces and Alamogordo, New Mexico, and El Paso, Texas. Meeting times and locations will be published in local newspapers. These meetings will provide the opportunity for the public to become aware of the EIS and for the Army to gather public input regarding the scope of the study. Those unable to attend the scheduled scoping meetings may submit written comments regarding the scope of the EIS throughout the scoping period. A mailing list has been prepared for public scoping and review throughout the process of preparation of this PEIS. This list includes local, state and Federal agencies with jurisdictions or other interests in the project. In addition, the mailing list includes all adjacent property owners, affected municipalities and other interested parties such as conservation organizations. Anyone wishing to be added to the mailing list should contact the person identified below.

For Further Information: Please direct written questions or comments concerning the scope of the Fort Bliss Mission and Master Plan EIS to: Mr. Keith Landreth, Chief of the Cultural/Natural Resource Division, Directorate of Environment, U.S. Army Air Defense Center and Fort Bliss, ATTN: ATZC-

DOE-C, Fort Bliss, Texas 79916; telephone (915) 568-3782.

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Corps of Engineers

Cancellation of Notice of Intent to Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement for a Municipal Solid-Waste Landfill Proposed by Resource Investments, Inc. in Pierce County, Washington

AGENCY: Seattle District, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, DoD.

ACTION: Cancellation notice.

SUMMARY: The Seattle District, Corps of Engineers hereby cancels its Notice of Intent to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) as published in FR, Vol. 59, No. 74, page 18373, 18 April 1994. A Draft EIS was finalized in December 1995 for the proposed municipal solid waste landfill.

The Notice is canceled because the permit application for the proposed landfill was denied on 30 September 1996 and completion of the Final EIS is not required. The basis for permit denial was that Resource Investments, Inc. failed to clearly demonstrate that there are no less environmentally damaging practicable alternatives for achieving the project purpose; and that the proposed landfill represents an unacceptable risk to public health and safety due to the potential contamination of the Central Pierce County Aquifer System.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Questions can be forwarded to Mr. James Green, Regulatory Branch, Operations Divisions, Seattle District, Corps of Engineers, Post Office Box 3755, Seattle, WA 98124-3755, Phone (206) 764-3495.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: None.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Intent to Establish the Advisory Committee on Appliance Energy Efficiency Standards

AGENCY: Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of intent to establish.