

the agency form number, if applicable; (6) what members of the public will be affected by the proposal; (7) how frequently information submissions will be required; (8) an estimate of the total number of hours needed to prepare the information submission including number of respondents, frequency of response, and hours of response; (9) whether the proposal is new, an extension, reinstatement, or revision of an information collection requirement; and (10) the name and telephone number of an agency official familiar with the proposal and of the OMB Desk Officer for the Department.

This Notice also lists the following information:

*Title of Proposal:* HOPE VI—In Depth Assessment of Family and Neighborhood Outcomes—Wave Two and Three of Panel Study.

*OMB Approval Number:* 2577–0236.

*Form Numbers:* None.

*Description of the Need for the Information and its Proposed Use:* Wave Two and Three of Panel Study to learn how housing choices and outcomes for original residents are affected by revitalization efforts at selected HOPE VI sites.

*Respondents:* Individuals or households, State, Local or Tribal Government.

*Frequency of Submission:* Twice.

*Reporting Burden:* Number of Respondents 887; Annual Responses 0.8 × Hours per response 1 = Burden hours 710.

*Total Estimated Burden Hours:* 710.

*Status:* Reinstatement, with change.

*Authority:* Section 3507 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. 35, as amended.

Dated: February 4, 2003.

**Wayne Eddins,**

*Departmental Reports Management Officer,  
Office of the Chief Information Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR–4491–N–09]

### Notice of Intent To Prepare Draft Environmental Impact Statement for Park Lake Homes, King County, WA

**AGENCY:** Office of the Assistant Secretary for Community Planning and Development, HUD.

**ACTION:** Notice of intent.

**SUMMARY:** HUD gives notice to the public that King County Housing Authority (KCHA) acting under its State

Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) authority, and the King County Department of Development and Environmental Services (DDES), as the Responsible Entity in accordance with 24 CFR 58.2, intends to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for redevelopment of the Park Lake Homes public housing community. This notice is in accordance with regulations of the Council on Environmental Quality. Federal agencies having jurisdiction by law, special expertise, or other special interest should report their interests and indicate their readiness to aid in the EIS effort as a “Cooperating Agency.”

A Draft EIS will be prepared for the proposed action described herein. Comments relating to the Draft EIS are requested and will be accepted by the contact person listed below. When the Draft EIS is completed, a notice will be sent to individuals and groups known to have an interest in the Draft EIS and particularly in the environmental impact issues identified therein. Any person or agency interested in receiving a notice and making comment on the Draft EIS should contact the person listed below within 30-days after publication of this notice.

*Lead Agencies:* This EIS will be a joint NEPA and Washington SEPA document intended to satisfy requirements of federal and state environmental statutes. In accordance with specific statutory authority and HUD’s regulations at 24 CFR part 58 (Environmental Review Procedures for Entities Assuming HUD Environmental Responsibilities), HUD has allowed NEPA authority and NEPA lead agency responsibility to be assumed by the King County DDES in cooperation with the KCHA, as the SEPA lead agency.

**ADDRESSES:** All interested agencies, groups, and persons are invited to submit written comments on the project named in this notice, and the Draft EIS to the contact person shown below. The office of the contact person should receive comments and all comments so received will be considered prior to the preparation and distribution of the Draft EIS. Particularly solicited is information on reports or other environmental studies planned or completed in the project area, major issues and dates that the EIS should consider, and recommended mitigation measures and alternatives associated with the proposed project. Federal agencies having jurisdiction by law, special expertise or other special interest should report their interest and indicate their readiness to aid in the EIS effort as a “Cooperating Agency.”

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Greg Borba, Planning Supervisor, King County Department of Development and Environmental Services, 900 Oaksdale Avenue SW., Renton, WA 98055–1219; Phone: (206) 296–7118; FAX: (206) 296–7051; e-mail: [greg.borba@metrokc.gov](mailto:greg.borba@metrokc.gov).

### A. Background

KCHA, acting under its SEPA authority, and the King County DDES, acting under authority of section 104(g) of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (42 U.S.C. 5304(g)) and HUD’s regulations at 24 CFR part 58, in cooperation with other interested agencies, will prepare an EIS to analyze potential impacts of redevelopment of the Park Lake Homes public housing community. This EIS will be a joint NEPA and Washington SEPA document intended to satisfy requirements of federal and state environmental statutes.

Park Lake Homes is KCHA’s oldest and largest public housing development. Built in 1942 to serve as temporary housing for World War II defense workers, structures have been renovated several times. The KCHA received a HOPE VI grant award from HUD in November 2001, to initiate planning for the revitalization of this public housing development.

The proposed project would involve redevelopment of the existing approximately 95-acre Park Lake Homes public housing community located in the White Center area of unincorporated King County, Washington. The proposed redevelopment is consistent with requirements for a mixed-use, mixed-income housing project as described in the HOPE VI grant. The project site currently contains 569 residential units, a community center, a maintenance shop, a Head Start School, and a secondary building containing a food bank and administrative offices. The residential units are in primarily single story duplex structures.

Many or all of the current buildings on the site are to be demolished in phases, unless renovation for community services use is feasible. The existing Jim Wiley Community Center Building will likely be renovated. In addition, much of the existing infrastructure would be demolished, abandoned, or replaced, also in phases. The site would be redeveloped to provide approximately 900 dwelling units including an estimated 500 units of rental housing and 400 units of for-sale housing. It is anticipated that the rental housing would include approximately 300 units of housing to serve households of very low income and approximately 200 units of

workforce housing (50%–60% of the area median income). Approximately 34,000 square feet of additional community space would also be developed to provide a range of community uses (*i.e.*, social services, educational facilities, library, neighborhood services, commercial uses).

All existing low-income housing is planned to be replaced either on-site or elsewhere in King County through construction of public housing units on-site and project based Section 8 vouchers in existing or new housing complexes. Existing residents would be displaced and assisted with benefits according to the provisions of the Uniform Relocation Act (42 U.S.C. 4601 *et seq.*). Where possible, displaced residents in good standing would be allowed to return to the public housing units once redevelopment is completed.

### B. Need for the EIS

The proposed project may constitute an action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment and an EIS will be prepared on this project by KCHA and the King County DDES in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*). Responses to this notice will be used to, (1) determine significant environmental issues, (2) identify data that the EIS should address, and (3) identify agencies and other parties that will participate in the EIS process and the basis for their involvement.

### C. Scoping

A public EIS scoping meeting will be held on February 26, 2003, at 6 p.m. The EIS scoping meeting will provide an opportunity for the public to learn more about the project and provide input to the environmental process. At the meeting, the public will be able to view graphics illustrating preliminary planning work and talk with King County DDES and KCHA staff, and members of the consultant team providing technical analysis to the project. Translators will be available. Written comments and testimony concerning the scope of the EIS will be accepted at this meeting.

The scoping meeting will be held at the Park Lake Homes Jim Wiley Community Center, which is located at 9800 8th Ave. SW., Seattle, WA 98106.

### D. EIS Issues

The lead agencies have preliminarily identified the following environmental elements for discussion in the EIS: earth (geology, soils, topography); air quality; water (surface water movement/

quantity, runoff/absorption, flooding, groundwater movement/quantity/quality); plants and animals; energy use; noise; land use and socioeconomic factors (land use patterns, relationship to plans/policies and regulations; population; housing and displacements); environmental justice (disproportionately high and adverse effects on minority and low income populations); historic and cultural resources; aesthetics, light and glare; parks and recreation; public services and utilities (fire, police, parks/recreation, communications, water, stormwater, sewer, solid waste); and transportation (transportation systems, parking, movement/circulation, traffic hazards).

Questions may be directed to the individual named in this notice under the heading **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

Dated: February 4, 2003.

**Nelson R. Bregon,**

*Acting General Deputy Assistant Secretary for Community Planning and Development.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Fish and Wildlife Service

#### **Notice of Availability of a Draft Habitat Conservation Plan and Receipt of an Application for an Incidental Take Permit for the City and County of Denver's Board of Water Commissioners, Denver, CO**

**AGENCY:** Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of availability and receipt of application.

**SUMMARY:** This notice advises the public that the City and County of Denver, acting by and through its Board of Water Commissioners (Denver Water) has applied to the Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) for an Incidental Take Permit (ITP) pursuant to section 10(a)(1)(B) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (Act). The permit would authorize the loss and modification of habitat associated with Denver Water's Operations and Maintenance (O&M) activities and the incidental take of Preble's meadow jumping mouse (*Zapus hudsonius preblei*) ("Preble's"), federally listed as threatened. The permit would be in effect for 30 years from the date of issuance.

The Service received Denver Water's ITP Application that includes a proposed Habitat Conservation Plan (HCP) and Environmental Assessment

(EA) for the Preble's on Denver Water properties. The proposed HCP/EA is available for public comments. It fully describes the proposed O&M activities and the measures Denver Water would undertake to avoid, minimize, and mitigate project impacts to the Preble's.

The Service requests comments on the HCP/EA for the proposed issuance of an ITP. Pursuant to notice requirements under section 10(c) of the Act and the National Environmental Policy Act regulations (40 CFR 1406.6), all comments on the HCP/EA and permit application will become part of the administrative record and will be available to the public.

**DATES:** Written comments on the permit application and the HCP/EA should be received on or before April 11, 2003.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments regarding the permit application and the HCP/EA should be addressed to LeRoy Carlson, Field Supervisor, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Colorado Field Office, 755 Parfet Street, Suite 361, Lakewood, Colorado 80215.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Kathleen Linder, Fish and Wildlife Biologist, Colorado Field Office, telephone (303) 275–2370.

### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

#### **Document Availability**

Individuals wishing copies of the HCP/EA and associated documents for review should immediately contact the above office. Documents also will be available for public inspection by appointment, during normal business hours, at the Lakewood, Colorado, Field Office (See **ADDRESSES** above).

#### **Background**

Section 9 of the Act and Federal Regulation prohibits the "take" of a species listed as endangered or threatened. Take is defined under the Act, in part, as to kill, harm, or harass a federally listed species. However, the Service may issue permits to authorize "incidental take" of listed species under limited circumstances. Regulations governing permits for threatened species are promulgated in 50 CFR 17.32.

The applicant's plan to conduct O&M activities necessary for Denver Water to meet its mission of providing a safe and high quality water supply to its customers covers properties that may constitute Preble's habitat in Boulder, Jefferson, and Douglas Counties in Colorado. Such activities would include repair and maintenance of infrastructures and facilities (*e.g.*, conduits, siphons), ditch/canal maintenance, road repair and maintenance, construction of new