2. The ability of the organization to provide training and technical assistance to multiple programs.

3. The qualifications and experience of key personnel who will provide the training and technical assistance.

4. The cost-effectiveness of the proposed activities and the degree to which the applicant proposes a reasonable estimate of the amount of services the organization will be able to provide with the requested amount of funds and the applicant's existing resources.

Applicable Regulations

Regulatory provisions governing this award are codified in 45 CFR part 2532.

Statutory Authority

Corporation authority to award this cooperative agreement is codified in 42 U.S.C. 12653.

Dated: March 26, 1997.

Barry W. Stevens,

Acting General Counsel. [FR Doc. 97–8175 Filed 3–31–97; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 6050–28–P

Availability of Funds for Grants to Support the Seniors for Schools Initiative

AGENCY: Corporation for National and Community Service.

ACTION: Notice of availability funds.

SUMMARY: The Corporation for National and Community Service ("Corporation") announces the availability of up to \$3,000,000 for grants to support its Seniors for Schools Initiative. The purpose of this initiative is to mobilize the time, talent, experience, and resources of seniors to tutor and mentor public school children in kindergarten through third grade. This initiative will (1) build on the experience of the Foster Grandparent Program and the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program; and (2) recruit adults over the age of 55, without regard to their economic status, to work in teams with young children in a variety of roles, including helping them to read independently by the end of the third grade.

DATES: All applications must be received by 6:00 p.m. Eastern Standard Time, May 15, 1997. Facsimiles will not be accepted.

ADDRESSES: Applications may be requested by contacting the appropriate Corporation State Office. A list of the Corporation's State Offices is provided below.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION: For further information, contact Tess Scannell at

(202) 606–5000, ext. 190. This notice may be requested in an alternative format for the visually impaired.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

The Corporation is a federal government corporation that encourages Americans of all ages and backgrounds to engage in community-based service. This service addresses the nation's educational, public safety, environmental, and other human needs to achieve direct and demonstrable results. In supporting service programs, the Corporation fosters civic responsibility, strengthens the ties that bind us together as a people, and provides educational opportunity for those who make a substantial commitment to service.

On August 27, 1996, President Clinton announced the America Reads Challenge, which includes a vital national service component. The goal of this campaign is to ensure that every child can read independently by the end of the third grade. To achieve this goal, the President has called for a substantial increase in the number of tutors and mentors available to young children.

Under the National and Community Service Act of 1990, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 12501 et seq., the Corporation may "support innovative and model programs." Under this authority, the Corporation intends to meet the America Reads Challenge by adopting the goals of this initiative and helping to mobilize thousands of volunteers to serve as tutors. One of the Corporation's efforts will be the Seniors for Schools Initiative, which will involve recruiting men and women over the age of 55, without regard to their economic status, to work in teams and make a significant commitment to help children learn to read. This initiative will place special emphasis on (1) demonstrating that the service activities performed by seniors directly affect student outcomes, especially those related to reading and literacy; and (2) developing effective mechanisms for attracting adults, age 55 years and older, to provide leadership and intensive, sustained service that helps meet critical community needs. The Seniors for Schools Initiative will build on the experience of the Foster Grandparent Program and Retired and Senior Volunteer Program—programs that have worked extensively with children in school settings for many years.

Eligible Applicants

Current Corporation grantees including AmeriCorps*VISTA projects sponsors; National Senior Service Corps project sponsors; and organizations that operate a Learn and Serve America: School or Community-Based program; a Learn and Serve America: Higher Education program; or an AmeriCorps*State, National, Indian Tribes or Territories program—are eligible to apply.

Estimated Number of Awards

The Corporation intends to fund eight to ten programs, each implementing the Seniors for Schools Initiative in a different community.

Suggested Amounts of Awards

The Corporation suggests that applicants limit their budget requests to no more than \$225,000.

Program Period of Performance

The program period for all grants is up to 24 months, contingent upon performance and availability of appropriations.

Selection Criteria

The Corporation will initially determine whether the organization is eligible and whether the application contains the information required in the application materials. After this initial screening, the Corporation will assess applications based on the following criteria:

1. The capacity of the applicant to implement the program and accomplish the purposes of the demonstration.

2. The cost-effectiveness of the proposed program and the program's ability to leverage significant additional resources from non-federal sources.

3. The geographic location of the program (to ensure that funded programs are geographically diverse and include programs in urban and rural areas).

Applicable Regulations

Regulations governing the Seniors for Schools Initiative are located in 45 CFR parts 2531 and 2540.

Program Authority

Corporation authority to make these grants is codified in 42 U.S.C. 12653.

Dated: March 26, 1997.

Barry W. Stevens,

Acting General Counsel.

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Alaska

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Arizona

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Navy

Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement for the Continued Use of the Pinecastle Target Range, Ocala National Forest, Marion County, Florida

SUMMARY: Per Section 102(2)(c) of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 as implemented in the Council on

Environmental Quality regulations (40 CFR parts 1500–1508), the Department of the Navy announces its intent to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Continued Use of the Pinecastle Target Range, Ocala National Forest, Marion County, Florida. The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Forest Service is a cooperating agency in the preparation of the EIS.

The 5,825-acre range, located on USDA Forest Service property in the Ocala National Forest, is operated by the Navy under a special use agreement from the USDA Forest Service. The agreement expires December 31, 1999, and the EIS will examine environmental impacts resulting from renewal of the agreement.

The objective of the EIS is to describe the existing conditions at the range, describe the alternatives for reuse or closure of the range, and evaluate the environmental impacts from various renewal or closure alternatives. A biological assessment and Section 7 consultation pursuant to the Endangered Species Act are being completed. Environmental issues that will be addressed in the EIS include air quality, water quality, noise, safety, wetland impacts, endangered species impacts, cultural resources impacts, and socioeconomic impacts.

The Navy will hold two scoping meetings to solicit input on significant issues that should be addressed in the EIS. The first meeting will be held on Thursday, April 17, 1997, from 5:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. at the Umatilla Community Center, 1 South Central Avenue, Umatilla, FL. The second meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 29, 1997, from 5:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. at the Ocala City Auditorium, 836 N.E. Sanchez Avenue, Ocala, FL. Navy representatives will accept comments from members of the public at the meeting. It is important that Federal, state, local agencies, and interested individuals take this opportunity to identify environmental concerns that should be addressed in the EIS.

ADDRESSES: Agencies and the public are encouraged to provide written comments in addition to, or, in lieu of, oral comments at the scoping meeting. To be most helpful, comments should clearly describe specific issues or topics which the EIS should address. Written comments must be postmarked by May 29, 1997 and should be mailed to Commanding Officer, Southern Division, Naval Facilities Engineering Command, P.O. Box 190010, North Charleston, South Carolina 29419–9010 (Attn: Mr. Tom Burst, Code 064TB). Written comments may be submitted to Mr. Burst via facsimile at (803) 820–7472.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Tom Burst at (803) 820–5590.

Dated: March 27, 1997.

M.A. Waters,

LCDR, JAGC, USN, Alternate Federal Register Liaison Officer. [FR Doc. 97–8194 Filed 3–31–97; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 3810–FF–P

Notice of Public Hearing for the Draft Environmental Impact Statement for Disposal and Reuse of the Naval Weapons Industrial Reserve Plant, Calverton, NY

SUMMARY: Per Council on Environmental Quality Regulations (40 CFR Parts 1500-1508), implementing procedural provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act, the Department of the Navy has prepared and filed, on March 14, 1997, with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) for the disposal and subsequent reuse of the Naval Weapons Industrial Reserve Plant (NWIRP), Calverton, New York. The DEIS addresses the environmental consequences of disposal of NWIRP Calverton, and implementation of the proposed Community Reuse Plan for the base prepared by the Calverton Air Facility Joint Planning and Redevelopment Commission, an entity established by the Riverhead Town Board. The DEIS evaluates environmental effects of three reuse alternatives which represent a reasonable range of alternative redevelopment intensities for the base if the decision is made to dispose of the property.

ADDRESSES: The Department of the Navy will hold a public hearing to inform the public of the DEIS findings and to solicit comments. The hearing will be held on Thursday, April 17, 1997, beginning at 7:30 p.m., at the Ramada East End, 1830 Route 25, Riverhead, New York. Please call the point of contact below or the Ramada Inn in the case of inclement weather.

Federal, state, local agencies and interested parties are invited and urged to attend or be represented at the hearing. Oral statements will be heard and transcribed by a stenographer; however, to assure the accuracy of the record, all statements should be submitted in writing. All statements, both oral and written, will become part of the public record on this action and will be given equal consideration.