APO materials or conversion to judicial protective order is hereby requested. Failure to comply with the regulations and the terms of an APO is a sanctionable violation.

This administrative review and notice are in accordance with section 751(a)(1) of the Act (19 U.S.C. 1675(a)(1)).

Dated: October 4, 1996. Robert S. LaRussa,

Acting Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

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# National Institute of Standards and Technology

# National Database for Weights and Measures; Proposed Data Collection; Comment Request

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104–13 (44 U.S.C.3506(c)(2)(A)).

**DATES:** Written comments must be submitted on or before December 10, 1996.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Linda Engelmeier, Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 5327, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC, 20230.

# FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Requests for additional information on the information collection instrument(s) and instructions should be directed to Deborah McGann Ripley, Office of Weights and Measures, National Institute of Standards and Technology, Bldg. 820, Mail Stop 223, Gaithersburg, MD 20899, telephone (301) 975–4406, fax (301) 926–4026, E-mail dripley@nist.gov.

# SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

## I. Abstract

NIST, in conjunction with The National Conference on Weights and Measures (NCWM), seeks to establish a standard core of data to be collected which would be used to assess the effectiveness of weights and measures programs, the economic impacts of its joint program with the state weights and measures agencies, and to share information and data thus enabling jurisdictions to make marketplace and

cost-benefit analysis. The respondents will be State Weights and Measures Inspectors. The results will be used by NCWM and state weights and measures agencies for program evaluation purposes.

#### II. Method of Collection

State inspectors will enter their inspection data into a database residing on a server at NIST either by direct access to the database through the Internet, by mailing in a disk or using e-mail to transmit the data to NIST to append to database.

#### III. Data

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*OMB Number:* None. *Form Number:* None.

Type of Review: New Collection.

Affected Public: State Employees.

Estimated Number of Respondents:

Estimated Time Per Response: 2 Hours.

Estimated Total Annual Cost: \$8,000.  $(80 \times \$100$  per hour fully burdened cost of a senior level technical manager.)

#### **IV. Requests for Comments**

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden (including hours and cost) of the proposed collection of information: (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

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

Dated: September 25, 1996.

Linda Engelmeier,

Acting Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Office of Management and Organization.

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# National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[Docket No. 960910251-6251-01]

#### RIN 0648-ZA24

Announcement of Graduate Research Fellowships in the National Estuarine Research Reserve System for Fiscal Year 1997

AGENCY: Sanctuaries and Reserves Division (SRD), Office of Ocean and Coastal Resource Management (OCRM), National Ocean Service (NOS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Department of Commerce (DOC).

**ACTION:** Notice.

SUMMARY: The Sanctuaries and Reserves Division of the Office of Ocean and Coastal Resource Management is soliciting applications for graduate fellowship funding within the National Estuarine Research Reserve System. This notice sets forth funding priorities, selection criteria, and application procedures.

The National Estuarine Research Reserve System (NERRS) of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) announces a new program of Graduate Research Fellowships. A maximum of 42 Graduate Research Fellowships will be competitively awarded to qualified graduate students whose research occurs within the boundaries of at least on Reserve. Fellowships will start no earlier than June 1, 1997.

postmarked no later than November 29, 1996. Notification regarding the awarding of fellowships will be issued on or about March 1, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Dr. Dwight Trueblood, Science Coordinator, NOAA/ Sanctuaries and Reserves Division, 1305 East-West Highway, N/ORM2, SSMC4, 12th Floor, Silver Spring, MD 20910, Attn: FY97 NERRS Research. Phone: 301–713–3145 ext. 174 Fax: 301–713– 4362, internet:

dtruebloodocean.nos.noaa.gov. See Appendix I for National Estuarine Research Reserve addresses.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For further information on research opportunities under the National Estuarine Research Reserve System, contact the on-site personnel listed in Appendix I. For application information, contact the Science Coordinator of the Sanctuaries and Reserves Division (see Addresses above).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

# I. Authority and Background

Section 315 of the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972, as amended (CZMA), 16 U.S.C. § 1461, establishes the National Estuarine Research Reserve System (NERRS). 16 U.S.C. § 1461(e)(1)(B) authorizes the Secretary of Commerce to make grants to any coastal state or public or private person for purposes of supporting research and monitoring within a national estuarine reserve that are consistent with the research guidelines developed under subsection (c). This program is listed in the Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) under "Coastal Zone Management Estuarine Research Reserve," Number 11.420.

# II. Information on Established National Estuarine Research Reserves

The NERRS consists of estuarine areas of the United States which are designated, developed, and managed for research and educational purposes. Each National Estuarine Research Reserve (Reserve) within the NERRS is chosen to reflect regional differences and to include a variety of ecosystem types in accordance with the classification scheme of the national program as presented in 15 CFR part 921.

Each Reserve is suited to support a wide range of beneficial uses of ecological, economic, recreational, and aesthetic value which are dependent upon maintenance of a healthy ecosystem. Each site provides habitat for a wide range of ecologically and commercially important species of fish, shellfish, birds, and other aquatic and terrestrial wildlife. Each Reserve has been designed to ensure its effectiveness as a conservation unit and as a site for long-term research and monitoring. As part of a national system, the Reserves collectively provide an excellent opportunity to address research questions and estuarine management issues of national significance. For a detailed description of the sites, contact the individual site Managers and/or Research Coordinators listed in Appendix I.

# III. Availability of Funds

Funds are expected to be available on a competitive basis to any qualified graduate student to provide funds for graduate research within National Estuarine Research Reserves. Because NOAA has substantial involvement in NERRS research, funds are normally awarded through a cooperative agreement. NOAA may be involved in the award in the following manner:

The Sanctuaries and Reserves Division (SRD), Office of Ocean and Coastal Resource Management, reserves the right to immediately halt activity under this award if it becomes obvious that award activities are not fulfilling the mission of the National Estuarine Research Reserve System. While day-to-day management is the responsibility of the recipient, frequent guidance and direction is provided by the Federal Government for the successful conduct of this award. Noncompliance with a Federally approved project may result in immediate halting of the award.

SRD generally will review and approve each stage of work before the next begins to assure quality scientific progression and results that will produce viable information on which to form valid, productive coastal management decisions.

All staff at NERRS sites are ineligible to submit an application for a fellowship under this Announcement. Federal funds requested must be matched by the applicant by at least 30% of the *TOTAL cost, not the Federal share, of the project.* For \$15,000 in Federal fellowship funds, the required match is \$6,430. It is anticipated that fellowships receiving funding under this announcement will begin by June 1, 1997.

# IV. Purpose and Priorities

The NERR Graduate Research Fellowship program is intended to fund high quality research focused on improving coastal zone management while providing students with hands-on training in conducting ecological monitoring. These fellowships will provide graduate students with funds (\$15,000/annum) to conduct their own research projects while also providing hands-on management-related training in ecological monitoring.

Research projects proposed in response to this announcement must: address coastal management issues identified as having local, regional, or national significance; relate them to the "Scientific Areas of Support" described below; and be conducted within one or more designated NERR sites. Funding is intended to provide any combination of research support, salary, tuition, supplies, or other costs as needed. As part of the ecological monitoring education program, students will be asked to provide up to 15 hours per week of assistance to the Reserve in which they are conducting research; fellows conducting multi-site projects may fulfill this requirement at one or a combination of sites but for no more than a total of 15 hours per week. This program will be designed with the onsite Reserve staff and may include onsite monitoring or research assistance, or performing additional sampling or

analyses for the Reserve; this training may take place throughout the school year or may be concentrated during a specific season. Students are encouraged, but not required, to incorporate these training activities into their own research programs.

# Scientific Areas of Support

NERRS specific research priorities are provided below. Proposed research projects submitted in response to this announcement must address one of the following topics:

- Investigate the effects of non-point source pollution on estuarine ecosystems:
- Investigate evaluative criteria and/ or methods for estuarine ecosystem restoration;
- Investigate the importance of biodiversity and effects of invasive species on estuarine ecosystems;
- Investigate mechanisms for sustaining resources within estuarine ecosystems.

Note: It is highly recommended that applicants contact the host Reserve (see Appendix I) for site-specific and regional research priorities and to discuss the training opportunities at the site.

# V. Guidelines for Application Preparation, Review, and Reporting Requirements

Applicants for SRD research fellowships must follow the guidelines presented herein. Applications not adhering to these guidelines will be returned to the applicant without further review.

Applications for graduate fellowships in the NERRS are solicited annually for award the following fiscal year. Application due dates and other pertinent information are contained in this announcement of research opportunities. Applicants must submit an original and two (2) copies of each application and all supporting documents (curricula vitae, literature referenced, etc.), excluding transcripts and letters of reference.

Fellowships may be funded for up to three years; funding for years two and three will be made available based on funding availability and on satisfactory progress of research as determined by the NERR Research Coordinator or Reserve Manager in consultation with the student's faculty advisor. The amount of the award is \$15,000/annum; this may be used for any combination of salary, living expenses, tuition, fees and/or research supplies, and this must be matched by at least 30 percent of the award total. The student will be asked to work with the Research Coordinator or Reserve Manager to develop an

ecological monitoring education program for up to 15 hours per week. The recipient must submit an annual technical report to the host Reserve and SRD before the end of each funding cycle on the research accomplishments to-date. The awardee must acknowledge NERRS support in all relevant scientific presentations and publications. Awardees are strongly encouraged to publish their results in peer-reviewed literature and make presentations at scientific meetings.

# A. Applications

Students admitted to or enrolled in a full-time Master's or Doctoral program at U.S. accredited universities are eligible to apply. Students should have completed a majority of their course work at the beginning of their fellowship and have an approved thesis research program.

Applicants are required to submit: (1) an academic résumé or a curriculum vitae that includes all graduate and undergraduate institutions (department or area of study, degree, and year of graduation), all publications (including undergraduate and graduate theses), awards or fellowships, and work/ research experience; (2) a cover letter from the applicant indicating current academic status, research interests, and career goals, and the results of any discussion with NERR staff regarding the ecological monitoring training program; (3) a titled research proposal, not to exceed *seven (7) double-spaced* pages (in a font no smaller than 12-point courier), that includes an Abstract, Introduction, Methods and Materials, Project Significance, and Bibliography; (4) a proposed budget (see Section B, Proposal Content, below for specific guidelines); (5) a letter of support from the applicant's graduate advisor indicating the advisor's contribution (financial and otherwise) to the applicant's graduate studies; (6) an official copy of all undergraduate and graduate transcripts; and (7) two letters of reference (from other than the applicant's graduate advisor) in separate sealed envelopes. One original and two (2) copies of the information requested above, excluding the transcripts and letters of reference, must be submitted to the SRD Science Coordinator at the address in the Addresses section, postmarked no later than November 29, 1996. Incomplete applications and applications postmarked November 30, 1996 or later, will be returned without review.

Receipt of all applications will be acknowledged and a copy sent to the appropriate Reserve staff.

# B. Proposal Content

The 7-page proposal should contain the sections described below. Note that the 7 double-spaced page limit includes only the abstract and project description; the title page, budget, curriculum vitae, literature cited and other sections are not included in the 7 pages.

1. Title page. A title page must be provided which lists student name, address and telephone number, project title, name of graduate institution, name of institution providing matching funds and amount of matching funds, name of faculty advisor, site where research is to be conducted, and number of years of requested support.

2. Abstract. A one-page abstract must be included. The abstract should state the research objectives, scientific methods to be used, and the significance of the project to a particular Reserve and the NERRS program.

3. Project description. The main body of the proposal should be a detailed statement of the work to be undertaken, and include the following components:

(a) Introduction. This section should introduce the research setting and environment. It should include a brief review of pertinent literature, and describe the research problem in relation to relevant coastal management issues and the research priorities. This section should also present the primary hypothesis upon which the project is focused, as well as any additional or component hypotheses which will be addressed by the research project.

(b) Methods. This section should state the method(s) to be used to accomplish the specific research objectives including a systematic discussion of what, when, where, and how the data are to be collected, analyzed, and reported. Field and laboratory methods should be scientifically valid and reliable and accompanied by a statistically sound sampling scheme. Methods chosen should be justified and compared with other methods employed for similar work.

Techniques should allow the testing of the hypotheses, but also provide baseline data that may be used in answering related ecological and management questions concerning the Reserve environment. Methods should be described concisely and techniques should be reliable enough to allow comparison with those made at different sites and times by different investigators. If the project is envisioned as the initial phase of a long-term effort (e.g., a monitoring program), the methods selected must be stable enough that it is unlikely that they will change

drastically over the next 10–15 years. The methods must have proven their utility and sensitivity as indicators for natural or human-induced change.

Analytical methods and statistical tests applied to the data should be documented, thus providing a rationale for choosing one set of methods over alternatives. Quality control measures also should be documented (e.g., statistical confidence levels, standards of reference, performance requirements, internal evaluation criteria). The proposal should indicate by way of discussion how data are to be synthesized, interpreted and integrated into final work products, and how and where the data are to be catalogued and stored for ready retrieval at later dates.

A map clearly showing the study location and any other features of interest *must* be included. Use a U.S. Geological Survey topographic map, or an equivalent, in constructing the location map for the proposal. Consultation with Reserve personnel to identify existing maps is strongly recommended.

(c) Project Significance. This section should discuss how the proposed research effort will enhance or contribute to improving the state of knowledge of the estuary and assist coastal zone management decision making, i.e., why is the proposed research important and how can the results be used to manage coastal resources? This section must also discuss the relation of the proposed research to the research priorities stated in this research announcement. In addition, the applicant must provide a clear discussion of how the proposed research addresses state and national estuarine and coastal resource management issues and how the results can be utilized by policy makers. Applicability of research findings to other sites in the NERRS should be given special mention.

4. Milestone schedule. A milestone schedule is required with the proposal, and is especially important for multiple year fellowships. This schedule should show, in table form, anticipated dates for completing field work and data collection, data analysis, progress reports, the final technical report and other related activities. Use "Month 1, Month 2," rather than June, July, etc., in preparing these charts.

5. Personnel and project management. The proposal must include a complete description of how the project will be managed, including the name and expertise of faculty advisors and other team members. Evidence of ability to successfully complete the proposed

research should be supported by reference to similar efforts performed.

6. Literature cited. This section should provide complete references for current literature, research, and other appropriate published and unpublished documents cited in the text of the

proposal.

7. Budget. The amount of Federal funds requested (\$15,000 per fellowship per year) must be matched by the applicant by at least 30% of the total project cost (i.e., \$6,430 match for \$15,000 in Federal funds). Cash or the value of goods and services, except land, directly benefiting the research project may be used to satisfy the matching requirements. Overhead costs may also be used as match; overhead for these awards are limited to 10 percent of total requested Federal funds. Funds from other Federal agencies and NERRS staff salaries supported by Federal funds may not be used as match. General guidelines for the non-Federal share are contained in 15 CFR Part 24 and OMB Circular A-110. SRD recommends that the applicant work with their institution's research office to develop their budget (see section D, below).

The applicant may request funds under any of the categories listed below as long as the costs are reasonable and necessary to perform research. The budget should contain itemized costs with appropriate narratives justifying proposed expenditures. Budget categories are to be broken down as follows, clearly showing both Federal and non-Federal shares side by side:

- -Salary. The rate of pay (hourly, monthly, or annually) should be indicated. Salaries requested must be consistent with the institution's regular practices. The submitting organization may request that salary data remain confidential information.
- Fringe benefits. Fringe benefits (i.e., social security, insurance, retirement) may be treated as direct costs as long as this is consistent with the institution's regular practices.
- Equipment. While not their primary purpose, fellowship funds may be approved for the purchase of major equipment only if the following conditions are met: (a) a lease versus purchase analysis has been conducted by the applicant or the applicant's institution and the findings determine that purchase is the most economical method of procurement; and (b) the equipment does not exist at the recipient's institution or the Reserve site and is essential for the successful completion of the project.

The justification must discuss each of these points along with the purpose

- of the equipment and a justification for its use, and include a list of equipment to be purchased, leased, or rented by model number and manufacturer, where known. At the termination of the fellowship, disposition of equipment acquired costing \$5,000 or more with a life expectancy of 2 years or more will be determined by the NOAA Property Administrator.
- —Travel. The type, extent, and estimated cost (broken down by transportation, lodging and per diem) of travel should be explained and justified in relation to the proposed research; the justification should also identify the person traveling. Travel expense is limited to round trip travel to field research locations and should not exceed 40 percent of total costs.
- Other direct costs. Other anticipated costs should be itemized under the following categories:
- · Materials and Supplies. The budget should indicate in general terms the types of expendable materials and supplies required and their estimated costs;
- Research Vessel or Aircraft Rental. Include purpose, unit cost, duration of use, user, and justification;
- Laboratory Space Rental. Funds may be requested for use of laboratory space at research establishments away from the student's institution while conducting studies specifically related to the proposed effort;
- Telecommunication Services and Reproduction Costs. Include expenses associated with telephone calls, facsimile, copying, reprint charges, film duplication, etc.;
- Computer Services. The cost of unusual or costly computer services may be requested and must be justified.
- —Indirect costs. Overhead costs under NERRS fellowship awards are limited to 10% of award amount.
- 8. Requests for reserve support services. On-site Reserve personnel sometimes can provide limited logistical support for research projects in the form of manpower, equipment, supplies, etc. Any request for Reserve support services, including any services provided as match, should be approved by the Reserve Manager or Research Coordinator prior to application submission and be included as part of the application package in the form of written correspondence. Reserve resources which are supported by Federal funds are not eligible to be used as match.
- 9. Coordination with other research in progress or proposed. SRD encourages collaboration and cost-sharing with

other investigators to enhance scientific capabilities and avoid unnecessary duplication of effort. Applications should include a description of how the research will be coordinated with other research projects that are in progress or proposed, if applicable.

10. Permits. The applicant must apply for any applicable state or Federal permits. A copy of the permit application and supporting documentation should be attached to the application as an appendix. SRD must receive notification of the approval of the permit application before funding can be approved.

#### C. Application Review and Evaluation

All applications will be evaluated by the Sanctuaries and Reserves Division staff, a host Reserve scientific panel of no less than three reviewers from the scientific community, and the appropriate Research Coordinator and/ or Reserve Manager. Criteria for selection include: (1) academic excellence based on the applicant's transcripts and two letters of reference; and (2) the quality of proposed research and its applicability to the NERRS Scientific Areas of Support and specific Reserve research and resource management goals. No more than two Fellowships will be awarded at any one time for any one Reserve. Final funding recommendations will be made by the Chief of the Sanctuaries and Reserves Division, based upon scientific review and programmatic considerations.

# D. Fellowship Awards

Awards are normally made to the fellow's graduate institution through the use of a cooperative agreement. Applicants whose projects are recommended for funding will be required to complete all necessary Federal financial assistance forms (SF-424, SF-424A, SF-424B, CD-511, and SF-LLL, OMB Control Numbers 0348-0043, 0348–0044, and 0348–0046) which will be provided by SRD with the letter of fellowship notification. Therefore, SRD recommends that all applicants work with their graduate institution during the development of their application to ensure concurrence on budgetary issues (e.g. the use of salary and fringe benefits as match).

### VI. Other Requirements

Recipients and subrecipients are subject to all Federal laws and Federal and DOC policies, regulations, and procedures applicable to Federal financial assistance awards.

All non-profit and for-profit applicants are subject to a name-check review process. Name checks are

intended to reveal if any key individuals associated with the applicant have been convicted of or are presently facing criminal charges such as fraud, theft, perjury, or other matters which significantly reflect on the applicant's management honesty or financial integrity.

No award of Federal funds shall be made to an applicant who has an outstanding delinquent Federal debt until either: (1) The delinquent account is paid in full; (2) A negotiated repayment schedule is established and at least one payment is received; or (3) Other arrangements satisfactory to the Department of Commerce are made.

Unsatisfactory performance under prior Federal awards may result in an application not being considered for funding. In addition, any recipients who are past due for submitting acceptable final reports under any previous SRD-funded research will be ineligible to be considered for new awards until final reports are received, reviewed and deemed acceptable by SRD.

A false statement on an application is grounds for denial or termination of funds and grounds for possible punishment by a fine or imprisonment as provided in 18 U.S.C. 1001.

If an application is selected for funding, the Department of Commerce (DOC) has no obligation to provide any additional future funding in connection with that award. Renewal of an award to increase funding or extend the period of performance is at the total discretion of DOC. However, funding priority will be given to the additional years of multiyear proposals upon satisfactory completion of the first year of research.

Applications under this program are subject to Executive Order 12372, "Intergovernmental Review of Federal Programs."

All primary applicants must submit a completed Form CD–511, "Certifications Regarding Debarment, Suspension and Other Responsibility Matter; Drug-Free Workplace Requirements and Lobbying," and the following explanations are hereby

1. Nonprocurement Debarment and Suspension. Prospective participants (as defined at 15 CFR Part 26, Section 105) are subject to 15 CFR Part 26, "Nonprocurement Debarment and

Suspension," and the related section of the certification form prescribed above applies;

2. Drug-Free Workplace. Grantees (as defined at 15 CFR Part 26, Section 605) are subject to 15 CFR Part 26, Subpart F, "Governmentwide Requirements for Drug-Free Workplace (Grants)" and the

related section of the certification form prescribed above applies;

- 3. Anti-Lobbying. Persons (as defined at 15 CFR Part 28, Section 105) are subject to the lobbying provisions of 31 U.S.C. 1352, "Limitation on the use of appropriated funds to influence certain Federal contracting and financial transactions," and the lobbying section of the certification form which applies to applications/bids for grants, cooperative agreements, and contracts for more than \$100,000, and loans and loan guarantees for more than \$150,000, or the single family maximum mortgage limit for affected programs, whichever is greater; and
- 4. Anti-Lobbying Disclosures. Any applicant that has paid or will pay for lobbying using any funds must submit an SF-LLL, "Disclosure of Lobbying Activities," as required under 15 CFR Part 28, Appendix B.
- 5. Lower Tier Certifications. Recipients shall require applicants/ bidders for subgrants, contracts, subcontracts, or other lower tier covered transactions at any tier under the award to submit, if applicable, a completed CD-512, "Certifications Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion—Lower Tier Covered Transactions and Lobbying, and disclosure form SF-LLL, "Disclosure of Lobbying Activities." The original form CD-512 is intended for the use of recipients. SF-LLL submitted by any tier recipient or subrecipient should be submitted to DOC in accordance with the instructions contained in the award document.

Buy American-Made Equipment or Products: Applicants are hereby notified that any equipment or products authorized to be purchased with funding provided under this program should be American-made to the extent feasible.

Indirect Costs: The total dollar amount of the indirect costs proposed in an application under this program must not exceed the indirect cost rate negotiated and approved by a cognizant Federal agency prior to the proposed effective date of the award or 100 percent of the total proposed direct costs dollar amount in the application, whichever is less.

Preaward Activities: If applicants incur any costs prior to an award being made, they do so solely at their own risk of not being reimbursed by the Government. Notwithstanding any verbal or written assurance that may have been received, there is no obligation on the part of DOC to cover preaward costs.

#### VII. Classification

This notice has been determined to be "not significant" for purposes of E.O. 12866.

This action is categorically excluded from the requirement to prepare an environmental assessment by NOAA Administrative Order 216–6.

This notice does not contain policies with federalism implications sufficient to warrant preparation of a federalism assessment under Executive Order 12612.

This notice does not contain a collection of information subject to the Paperwork Reduction Act.

(Federal Domestic Assistance Catalog Number 11.420 Coastal Zone Management Estuarine Research Reserves)

Dated: September 27, 1996.

David L. Evans,

Acting Deputy Assistant Administrator, Ocean Services and Coastal Zone Management.

# Appendix I. NERRS On-Site Staff

#### Alabama

Mr. L.G. Adams, Manager, Weeks Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve, 11300 U.S. Highway 98, Fairhope, AL 36532, (334) 928–9792

#### California

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Mr. Ed Navarro, Acting Manager, Tijuana River National Estuarine Research Reserve, 301 Caspian Way, Imperial Beach, CA 92032, (619) 575–3613 (site), (619) 642– 4209 (Navarro)

#### Delaware

Ms. Sarah Cooksey, Manager, Dr. William Meredith, Research Coordinator, Delaware National Estuarine Research Reserve, Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control, Division of Soil and Water Conservation, P.O. Box 1401, Dover, DE 19903, (302) 739–3451 (Cooksey), (302) 739–3493 (Meredith), wmeredith@state.de.us

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Mr. Gary Lytton, Manager, Dr. Todd Hopkins, Research Coordinator, Rookery Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve, 10 Shell Island Road, Naples, FL 33942, (813) 775–8845, thopkins@naplesnet.com

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#### Maine

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#### Maryland

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#### New Hampshire

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#### New York

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# North Carolina

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#### Oregon

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#### Puerto Rico

Ms. Carmen Gonzalez, Manager, Jobos Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve, Dept. of Natural Resources, Call Box B, Aguirre, PR 00704, (809) 853–4617, cgonzalez@ocean.nos.noaa.gov

#### Rhode Island

Mr. Allan Beck, Manager, Narragansett Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve, Dept. of Environmental Management, Box 151, Prudence Island, RI 02872, (401) 683–5061

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# COMMITTEE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TEXTILE AGREEMENTS

Adjustment of Import Limits for Certain Cotton, Wool, Man-Made Fiber, Silk Blend and Other Vegetable Fiber Textiles and Textile Products
Produced or Manufactured in Taiwan

October 8, 1996.

**AGENCY:** Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements (CITA).

**ACTION:** Issuing a directive to the Commissioner of Customs adjusting limits.

## **EFFECTIVE DATE:** October 11, 1996.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jennifer Aldrich, International Trade Specialist, Office of Textiles and Apparel, U.S. Department of Commerce, (202) 482–4212. For information on the quota status of these limits, refer to the Quota Status Reports posted on the bulletin boards of each Customs port or call (202) 927–6719. For information on embargoes and quota re-openings, call (202) 482–3715.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Authority: Executive Order 11651 of March 3, 1972, as amended; section 204 of the Agricultural Act of 1956, as amended (7 U.S.C. 1854).

The current limits for certain categories are being adjusted, variously, for swing, special shift and carryover.

A description of the textile and apparel categories in terms of HTS numbers is available in the CORRELATION: Textile and Apparel Categories with the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (see Federal Register notice 60 FR 65299, published on December 19, 1995). Also see 61 FR 3004, published on January 30, 1996.

The letter to the Commissioner of Customs and the actions taken pursuant to it are not designed to implement all of the provisions of the bilateral agreement, but are designed to assist only in the implementation of certain of its provisions.

Troy H. Cribb,

Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements

October 8, 1996.

Commissioner of Customs, Department of the Treasury, Washington, DC 20229.

Dear Commissioner: This directive amends, but does not cancel, the directive issued to you on January 24, 1996, by the Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements. That directive concerns imports of certain cotton, wool, man-made fiber, silk blend and other vegetable fiber textiles and textile products, produced or manufactured in Taiwan and exported during the twelve-month period which began on January 1, 1996 and extends through December 31, 1996.

Effective on October 11, 1996 you are directed to adjust the limits for the following categories, as provided under the terms of the current bilateral textile agreement concerning textile products from Taiwan: