

Ecosystem by preventing or limiting the spread of aggressive, non-native plant species that displace native vegetation.

(2) Eliminate new invaders before they become established.

(3) Prevent or limit the spread of established weeds into areas containing little or no infestation.

(4) Reduce weed seed sources on trail heads and dispersed campsites, along main roads and trails, within powerline corridors, and in wildlife forage habitat (i.e. dry sites).

(5) Protect sensitive and unique habitats including research natural areas, wetlands, and sensitive plant populations.

The treatment sites are in scattered locations across the district. Small infestations that are discovered in addition to the 46 sites would be treated within the scope of the Final EIS and Record of Decision. The Idaho Panhandle National Forests Land and Resource Management Plan provides guidance for management activities within the potentially affected area through its goals, objectives, standards and guidelines, and management area direction. The Forest Plan directs that forest pests be managed by an integrated pest management approach.

The decision to be made is what actions, if any, should be taken to control weeds in the Pend Oreille Ecosystem, where treatment should be applied, and what types of treatment should be used.

The Forest Service will consider a range of alternatives. One of these will be the "no action" alternative in which none of the proposed treatment activities would be implemented. Additional alternatives will represent the range of control methods currently available for treatment of weeds, including non-chemical methods.

Public participation is an important part of the analysis and will play an important role in developing the alternatives. The initial scoping process (40 CFR 1501.7) will occur during February, March, and April, 1997. The mailing list for public scoping will be developed from responses to this NOI, and to a Scoping Notice sent out to interested individuals, organizations and agencies. In addition, the public is encouraged to visit with Forest Service officials during the analysis and prior to the decision. The Forest Service will also be seeking information, comments, and assistance from Federal, State, and local agencies and other individuals or organizations who may be interested in or affected by the proposed actions.

Comments from the public and other agencies will be used in preparation of

the Draft EIS. The scoping process will be used to:

1. Identify potential issues.

2. Identify major issues to be analyzed in depth.

3. Eliminate minor issues or those which have been covered by a relevant previous environmental analysis.

4. Identify alternatives to the proposed action.

5. Identify potential environmental effects of the proposed action and alternatives (i.e., cumulative effects).

Some public concerns have already been identified from initial interdisciplinary review of the weed control proposal. The following significant issues have been identified so far:

1. Current and potential impacts of the spread of noxious weeds on the physical, biological, and ecological environment within the Sandpoint Ranger District.

2. Potential effectiveness, economics and impacts on natural resources of various weed control methods.

3. Potential effects on human health from the application of herbicides.

This list will be verified, expanded, or modified based on public scoping and interdisciplinary review of this proposal.

The draft environmental impact statement is expected to be filed with the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and available for public review in June, 1997. At that time, the EPA will publish a Notice of Availability of the draft environmental impact statement in the Federal Register. The comment period on the draft environmental impact statement will be 45 days from the date the Environmental Protection Agency publishes the notice of availability in the Federal Register.

The Forest Service believes, at this early stage, it is important to give reviewers notice of several court rulings related to public participation in the environmental review process. First, reviewers of draft environmental impact statements must structure their participation in the environmental review of the proposal so that it is meaningful and alerts an agency to the reviewer's position and contentions (*Vermont Yankee Nuclear Power Corp. v. NRDC*, 435 U.S. 519, 553 (1978)). Also, environmental objections that could be raised at the draft environmental statement stage but that are not raised until after completion of the final environmental statement may be waived or dismissed by the courts (*City of Angoon v. Hodel*, 803 F.2d 1016, 1022 (9th Cir. 1986) and *Wisconsin Heritages, Inc. v. Harris*, 490 F. Supp. 1334, 1338 (E.D. Wis. 1980)). Because of

these court rulings, it is very important that those interested in this proposed action participate by the close of the 45-day scoping comment period so that substantive comments and objections are made available to the Forest Service at a time when it can meaningfully consider them and respond to them in the final environmental impact statement.

To assist the Forest Service in identifying and considering issues and concerns regarding the proposed action, comments on the draft environmental impact statement should be as specific as possible. It is also helpful if comments refer to specific pages or chapters of the draft statement. Comments may also address the adequacy of the draft environmental impact statement or the merits of the alternatives formulated and discussed in the statement. Reviewers may wish to refer to the Council on Environmental Quality Regulations for implementing the procedural provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act at 40 CFR 1503.3 in addressing these points.

I am the responsible official for this environmental impact statement. My address is Sandpoint Ranger District, 1500 Hwy 2, Suite 110, Sandpoint, ID 83864.

Dated: January 21, 1997.

David S. Dillard,  
District Ranger.

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#### **Deschutes Provincial Interagency Executive Committee (PIEC), Advisory Committee**

**AGENCY:** Forest Service, USDA.

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Deschutes PIEC Advisory Committee will meet on February 13, 1997 at Rock Springs Conference Center, 7 miles north of Bend, OR on Highway 20. The meeting will start at 9:30 am., and finish at 5:00 pm. Agenda items include: (1) Introduction of new members, (2) Review of scientific documents for the Eastside Ecosystem project, (3) Reports from subcommittees, and (4) Open public forum. All Deschutes Province Advisory Committee meetings are open to the public.

#### **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Harry Hoogesteger, Province Liaison, USDA, Fort Rock Ranger District, 1230 N. E. 3rd, Bend, Oregon 97701, 541-383-4704.

Dated: January 24, 1997.  
 Sally Collins,  
*Deschutes National Forest Supervisor.*  
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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 has received proposals 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:** March 3, 1997.

**ADDRESSES:** Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled, Crystal Square 3, Suite 403, 1735 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, Virginia 22202-3461.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Beverly Milkman (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 does not appear to have a severe economic impact on current contractors for the services.
3. The action will result in authorizing small entities to furnish the services to the Government.
4. 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 the Procurement List for production by the nonprofit agencies listed:

#### *Administrative Services*

Naval Training Center, Great Lakes, Illinois  
 NPA: GWS, Inc., Milwaukee, Wisconsin

#### *Food Service Attendant*

U.S. Coast Guard Station, Miami Beach, Florida  
 NPA: Goodwill Industries of South Florida, Inc., Miami, Florida

#### *Janitorial/Custodial*

Major Bias USARC, Huntington, West Virginia  
 NPA: Goodwill Industries of KYOWVA, Inc., Huntington, West Virginia

#### *Switchboard Operation*

Holloman Air Force Base, New Mexico  
 NPA: New Mexico Industries for the Blind, Albuquerque, New Mexico

#### *Switchboard Operation*

Cannon Air Force Base, New Mexico  
 NPA: ENMRSH, Inc., Clovis, New Mexico  
 Beverly L. Milkman,  
*Executive Director.*

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### Procurement List Additions

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

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

**SUMMARY:** This action adds to the Procurement List commodities and services to be furnished by nonprofit agencies employing persons who are blind or have other severe disabilities.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** March 3, 1997.

**ADDRESSES:** Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled, Crystal Square 3, Suite 403, 1735 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, Virginia 22202-3461.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Beverly Milkman (703) 603-7740.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On November 1, 8, 15 and December 13, 1996, the Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled published notices (61 F.R. 56511, 57849, 58510 and 65520) of proposed additions to the Procurement List.

After consideration of the material presented to it concerning capability of qualified nonprofit agencies to provide the commodities and services and impact of the additions on the current or most recent contractors, the Committee has determined that the commodities and services listed below are suitable for procurement by the Federal Government under 41 U.S.C. 46-48c and 41 CFR 51-2.4.

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 commodities and services to the Government.
2. The action will not have a severe economic impact on current contractors for the commodities and services.
3. The action will result in authorizing small entities to furnish the commodities and services to the Government.
4. 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 commodities and services proposed for addition to the Procurement List.

Accordingly, the following commodities and services are hereby added to the Procurement List:

#### *Commodities*

Office and Miscellaneous Supplies  
 (Requirements for Fort Campbell, Kentucky)  
 Cloth, Cleaning, Aircraft Solvent  
 7920-01-180-0557

#### *Services*

##### *Administrative Services*

General Services Administration, PBS,  
 Tucson Field Office, Tucson, Arizona

##### *Administrative Services*

GSA Field Offices at the following Los Angeles, California locations:  
 888 S. Fugeroa  
 300 N. Los Angeles Street  
 312 N. Spring Street

##### *Administrative Services*

Honolulu Property Management Office,  
 Prince Kuhio Federal Building, 300 Ala Moana Boulevard, Honolulu, Hawaii

##### *Laundry Service*

Puget Sound Naval Shipyard Galley and Bachelor Officers' Quarters (BOQ), Bremerton, Washington

This action does not affect current contracts awarded prior to the effective