

the hours of 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., EST, at the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Office of Refugee Resettlement, ACF Mailroom, Second Floor (near loading dock), Aerospace Center, 901 D Street, SW, Washington, DC 20024, between Monday and Friday (excluding Federal holidays). The address must appear on the envelope/package containing the application with the note "Attention: Shirley B. Parker, ORR Grants Officer." ACF cannot accommodate transmission of applications by fax or through other electronic media. Therefore, applications transmitted to ACF electronically will not be accepted regardless of date or time of submission and time of receipt.

3. Late applications. Applications that do not meet the criteria above are considered late applications. ACF shall notify each late applicant that its application will not be considered in the current competition.

4. Extension of deadlines. ACF may extend an application deadline when circumstances such as acts of God (floods, hurricanes, etc.) occur, or when there is widespread disruption of the

mail service, or in other rare cases. Determinations to extend or waive deadline requirements rest with ACF's Chief Grants Management Officer.

Reporting Requirements

Grantees under this program announcement will be required to provide quarterly program narrative reports, describing outcomes and activities under the grant. Grantees will also be required to submit semi-annual financial reports using the Financial Status Report (SF-269). A final financial and narrative report shall be due 90 days after the end of the Grant Project Period (i.e., after the final budget period).

Dated: June 3, 1999.

Lavinia Limón,

Director, Office of Refugee Resettlement.

Attachment A—The 1999 HHS Poverty Guidelines

One Version of the [U.S.] Federal Poverty Measure

[Information Contracts/References—Poverty Guidelines & Thresholds—Also History of U.S. Poverty Lines]

There are two slightly different versions of the federal poverty measures:

- The poverty thresholds, and
- The poverty guidelines.

The poverty thresholds are the original version of the federal poverty measure. They are updated each year by the Census Bureau (although they were originally developed by Mollie Orshansky of the Social Security Administration). The thresholds are used mainly for statistical purposes—for instance, preparing estimates of the number of Americans in poverty each year. (In other works, all official poverty population figures are calculated using the poverty thresholds, not the guidelines.)

The poverty guidelines are the other version of the federal poverty measure. They are issued each year in the **Federal Register** by the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS). The guidelines are a simplification of the poverty thresholds for use of administrative purposes—for instance, determining financial eligibility for certain federal program. (The full text of the **Federal Register** notice with the 1999 poverty guidelines is available here.)

1999 HHS POVERTY GUIDELINES

Size of family unit	48 contiguous states, and DC	Alaska	Hawaii
1	\$8,240	\$10,320	\$9,490
2	11,060	13,840	12,730
3	13,880	17,360	15,970
4	16,700	20,880	19,210
5	19,520	24,400	22,450
6	22,340	27,920	25,690
7	25,160	31,440	28,930
8	27,980	34,960	32,170
For each additional person, add	2,820	3,520	3,240

Source: *Federal Register*, Vol. 64, No. 52, March 18, 1999, pp. 13428–13430.

(The separate poverty guidelines for Alaska and Hawaii reflect Office of Economic Opportunity administrative practice beginning in the 1966–1970 period. Notice that the poverty thresholds—the original version of the poverty measure—have never had separate figures for Alaska and Hawaii.)

Programs using the guidelines (or percentage multiples of the guidelines—for instance, 130 percent of the guidelines) in determining eligibility include Head Start, the Food Stamp Program, the National School Lunch Program, and the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program. Note that is general, public assistance programs (Aid to Families with Dependent Children and its block grant successor Temporary Assistance for Needy Families, and Supplemental Security Income) do NOT use the poverty guidelines in determining eligibility. The Earned Income Credit program also does NOT use the poverty guidelines to determine eligibility.

The poverty guidelines (unlike the poverty thresholds) are designated by the year in which they are issued. For instance, the guidelines issued in March 1999 are designated the 1999 poverty guidelines. However, the 1999 HHS poverty guidelines only reflect price changes through calendar year 1998; accordingly, they are approximately equal to the Census Bureau poverty thresholds for calendar year 1998. (The 1998 thresholds will be issued in final form about September or October 1999; a preliminary version of the 1998 thresholds is now available from the Census Bureau.)

The poverty guidelines are sometimes loosely referred to as the "Federal poverty level" (FPL), but that term is ambiguous, and should be avoided in situation (e.g., legislative or administrative) where precision is important.

Go to the page of *Information Contracts and References* on the Poverty Guidelines, the Poverty Thresholds, and the

Development and History of U.S. Poverty Lines.

Return to the *Poverty Guidelines, Research, and Measurement* main page.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Aquatic Nuisance Species Task Force Meeting

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a meeting of the Ballast Water and

Shipping Committee of the Aquatic Nuisance Species Task Force. Meeting topics are identified in the SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION.

DATES: The Ballast Water and Shipping Committee will meet from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, June 23, 1999.

ADDRESSES: The Ballast Water and Shipping Committee Meeting will be held in Room 2415, U.S. Coast Guard Headquarters, 2100 Second Street, SW., Washington, DC 20593-0001.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: LT Mary Pat McKeown, Chair, Ballast Water and Shipping Committee, at 202-267-0500 or mmckeown@comdt.uscg.mil or Executive Secretary, Aquatic Nuisance Species Task Force, at 703-358-1718.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. App. D), we announce a meeting of the Ballast Water and Shipping Committee of the Aquatic Nuisance Species Task Force. The Task Force was established by the Nonindigenous Aquatic Nuisance Prevention and Control Act of 1990 (16 U.S.C. 4701-4741).

Topics to be addressed include an update on efforts to compile a directory of ballast water research and technologies, factors to be considered in evaluating treatment technologies and management practices, and the nature and process for developing strategic national priorities for ballast water management research and development. Time permitting, presentations will be made describing specific ballast water management technologies and practices.

Minutes of the meeting will be maintained by the Executive Secretary, Aquatic Nuisance Species Task Force, Suite 851, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Arlington, Virginia 22203-1622 and the Chair of the Ballast Water and Shipping Committee at Environmental Standards Division, Office of the Operations and Environmental Standards, U.S. Coast Guard (G-MSO-4), 2100 Second Street, SW, Room 1309, Washington, DC 20593-0001. Minutes for the meetings will be available at these locations for public inspection during regular business hours, Monday through Friday.

Dated: June 1, 1999.

Rowan W. Gould,

Acting Co-Chair, Aquatic Nuisance Species Task Force, Acting Assistant Director—Fisheries.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[AK-910-1410-00]

Alaska Resource Advisory Council Meeting

SUMMARY: The BLM Alaska Resource Advisory Council will meet Monday, July 12, 1999, from 9:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. and Tuesday, July 13, 1999, from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. The Council will continue the process of defining standards for management of natural resources on public lands in Alaska. As part of this process, the Council will take public comment on resource issues of concern.

The meeting will be held at the BLM Northern Field Office, 1150 University Avenue, Fairbanks, Alaska. The entire meeting is open to the public with public comment taken from 1-2 p.m. Monday, July 12. Written comments may be submitted at the meeting or mailed to the address below.

ADDRESSES: Inquiries about the meeting should be sent to External Affairs, Bureau of Land Management, 222 W. 7th Avenue, #13, Anchorage, AK 99513-7599.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Teresa McPherson, (907) 271-5555.

Dated: May 25, 1999.

Brenda Zenan,

Acting State Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[CO-038; COC 62982]

Realty Action; Bureau Motion Recreation and Public Purposes (R&PP) Act Classification; Colorado

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The following public lands near the community of Pagosa Springs, Archuleta County, Colorado have been examined and found suitable for classification for lease and/or conveyance under the provisions of the Recreation and Public Purposes Act, as amended (43 U.S.C. *et seq.*).

New Mexico Principal Meridian, Colorado

T.35 N., R.2 W.,

Sec. 9, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$

Containing 40 acres more or less.

This action is a motion by the Bureau of Land Management to make available

lands identified in the San Juan Resource Management Plan not needed for Federal purposes and having potential for disposal to support community expansion. Lease or conveyance of the lands for recreational or public purpose use is consistent with current BLM land use planning and would be in the public interest. Detailed information concerning this action is available for review at the office of the Bureau of Land Management, San Juan Field Office, 15 Burnett Court, Durango, Colorado 81301.

The lease or conveyance of the lands will be subject to the following terms, conditions, and reservations:

1. Provisions of the Recreation and Public Purposes Act and to all applicable regulations of the Secretary of the Interior.

2. All valid existing rights documented on the official public land records at the time of lease/patent issuance.

3. All minerals shall be reserved to the United States, together with the right to prospect for, mine, and remove the minerals.

4. Any other reservations that the authorized officer determines appropriate to ensure public access and proper management of Federal lands and interest therein.

Upon publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**, the lands will be segregated from all forms of appropriation under the public land laws, including the general mining laws, except for lease or conveyance under the Recreation and Public Purposes Act and leasing under the mineral leasing laws.

For a period of 45 days from the date of publication of this notice, interested persons may submit written comments regarding the classification of the public lands as being suitable for disposal under the R&PP Act, to the San Juan Field Office Manager, San Juan Field Office, 15 Burnett Court, Durango, Colorado 81301. Any adverse comments will be reviewed by the State Director. In the absence of any adverse comments, the classification will become effective 60 days from the date of publication of this notice.

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT: Charlie Higby, phone (970) 247-4874.

Dated: May 27, 1999.

Kent Hoffman,

Associate Field Office Manager.

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