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The deadline for EPA's receipt of final
FY97 applications is June 23, 1997.
Once the application deadline has
passed, EPA will process the formula
funding calculations and determine the
initial formula ceiling allocations. Final
negotiations for the award of
cooperative agreements can then
proceed, but all FY97 agreements must
be executed no later than September 30,
1997.

List of Subjects

Environmental protection,
Cooperative Agreements, Lead, Training
and accreditation.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Notice of Availability of Regional Environmental Stewardship Program Grants

AGENCY: Environmental Protection
Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of Availability of
Regional Pesticide Environmental
Stewardship Program Grants.

SUMMARY: EPA is announcing the
availability of approximately \$498
thousand in fiscal year 1997 grant/
cooperative agreement funds under
section 20 of the Federal Insecticide,
Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA)
as amended, (the Act), for grants to
States and all Federally recognized
Native American Tribes. The grant
dollars are targeted at State and Tribal
programs that address reduction of the
risks associated with pesticide use in

agricultural and non-agricultural
settings in the United States. EPA's
Office of Pesticide Programs is offering
the following grant opportunities to
interested and qualified parties.

DATES: In order to be considered for
funding during the FY97 award cycle,
all applications must be received by the
appropriate EPA regional office on or
before June 6, 1997. EPA will make its
award decisions by June 27, 1997.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
Your EPA Regional Pesticide
Environmental Stewardship Program
Coordinator. Contact names for the
coordinators are listed under Unit IV. of
this document.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Availability of FY 97 Funds

With this publication, EPA is
announcing the availability of
approximately \$498 thousand in grant/
cooperative agreement funds for FY97.
The Agency has delegated grant making
authority to the EPA Regional Offices.
Regional offices are responsible for the
solicitation of interest, the screening of
proposals, and the selection of projects.
Grant guidance will be provided to all
applicants along with any
supplementary information the Regions
may wish to provide.

All applicants must address the
criteria listed under Unit III.B. of this
document. In addition, applicants may
be required to meet any supplemental
Regional criteria. Interested applicants
should contact their Regional PESP
coordinator listed under Unit IV. of this
document for more information.

II. Eligible Applicants

In accordance with the Act, eligible
applicants for purposes of funding
under this grant program include the 50
States, the District of Columbia, the U.S.
Virgin Islands, the Commonwealth of
Puerto Rico, any territory or possession
of the United States, any agency or
instrumentality of a State including
State universities, and all Federally
recognized Native American tribes. For
convenience, the term "State" in this
notice refers to all eligible applicants.
Local governments, private universities,
private nonprofit entities, private
businesses, and individuals are not
eligible. The organizations excluded
from applying directly are encouraged
to work with eligible applicants in
developing proposals that include them
as participants in the projects. Contact
your EPA Regional PESP coordinator for
assistance in identifying and contacting
eligible applicants. EPA strongly
encourages this type of cooperative
arrangement.

III. Activities and Criteria

A. General

The goal of PESP is to reduce the risks
associated with pesticide use in
agricultural and non-agricultural
settings in the United States. The
purpose of the grant program is to
support the establishment and
expansion of Integrated Pest
Management (IPM) as a tool to be used
to accomplish the goals of PESP. The
grant program is also designed to
research alternative pest management
practices, demonstrate unique
application techniques, research control
methods for pest complexes, produce
educational materials for better pest
identification or management, and other
activities that further the goals of PESP.
EPA specifically seeks to build State
and local IPM capabilities or to test, at
the State level, innovative approaches
and methodologies that use application
or other strategies to reduce the risks
associated with pesticide use. Funds
awarded under the grant program
should be used to support the
Environmental Stewardship Program
and its goal of reducing the risk/use of
pesticides. State projects might focus
on, for example:

- Developing multimedia activities,
including but not limited to: promoting
local IPM activities, user-community
awareness of new innovative techniques
for using pesticides, providing technical
assistance to pesticide users; collecting
and analyzing data to target outreach
and technical assistance opportunities;
conducting outreach activities;
developing measures to determine and
document progress in pollution
prevention; and identifying regulatory
and non-regulatory barriers or
incentives to pollution prevention and
developing plans to implement
solutions, where possible.

- Institutionalizing IPM as an
environmental management priority,
establishing prevention goals,
developing strategies to meet those
goals, and integrating the ethic within
both governmental and
nongovernmental institutions of the
State or region.

- Initiating demonstration projects
that test and support innovative
pesticide use practices, approaches and
methodologies including measuring
progress towards meeting the goal of
75% implementation of IPM by the year
2000.

B. Criteria

Proposals will be evaluated based on
the following criteria:

1. Qualifications and experience of the applicant relative to the proposed project.

- Does the applicant demonstrate experience in the field of the proposed activity?

- Does the applicant have the properly trained staff, facilities, or infrastructure in place to conduct the project?

2. Consistency of applicant's proposed project with the risk reduction goals of the PESP.

3. Provision for measuring and documenting the project's results quantitatively and qualitatively (evaluation).

- Is the project designed in such a way that it is possible to measure and document the results quantitatively and qualitatively?

- Does the applicant identify the method that will be used to measure and document the project's results quantitatively and qualitatively?

- Will the project assess or suggest a new means of measuring progress in reducing risk/use of pesticides in the United States.

4. Likelihood that the project can be replicated in other areas by other organizations to benefit other communities or that the product may have broad utility to a widespread audience. Can this project, taking into account typical staff and financial restraints, be replicated by similar organizations in different locations to address a problem that exists in other communities?

C. Program Management

Awards of FY 1997 funds will be managed through the EPA Regional Offices.

D. Contacts

Interested applicants are requested to contact the appropriate EPA Regional PESP coordinator listed under Unit IV. of this document to obtain specific instructions and guidance for submitting proposals.

IV. Regional Pesticide Environmental Stewardship Program Contacts

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Region III: (Delaware, Maryland, Pennsylvania, Virginia, West Virginia,

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Ozone, Particulate Matter and Regional Haze Implementation Programs Subcommittee Meeting

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: On September 11, 1995 (60 FR 47172), the EPA announced the

establishment of the Ozone, Particulate Matter and Regional Haze Implementation Programs Subcommittee under the Clean Air Act Advisory Committee (CAAAC). The CAAAC was established on November 8, 1990 (55 FR 46993) pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) (5 U.S.C. app I). The purpose of the Subcommittee is to provide advice and recommendations on integrated approaches for implementing potentially new national ambient air quality standards (NAAQS) for ozone and particulate matter, as well as a regional haze program.

DATES: Notice is hereby given that the Subcommittee for Development of Ozone, Particulate Matter and Regional Haze Implementation Programs will hold its next public meeting on Tuesday, June 10, 1997 (from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.) and Wednesday, June 11, 1997 (from 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.).

ADDRESSES: The public meeting will be held at the Omni Durham Hotel, 201 Foster Street, Durham, North Carolina 27701, telephone (919) 683-6664.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For further information on the Subcommittee for Development of Ozone, Particulate Matter and Regional Haze Implementation Programs, please contact Mr. William F. Hamilton, Designated Federal Officer, at 919-541-5498, or by mail at U.S. EPA, Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards, MD-12, Research Triangle Park, NC 27711. When a draft agenda is developed, a copy can be downloaded from the: (1) Ozone/Particulate Matter/Regional Haze FACA Bulletin Board, which is located on the Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards Technology Transfer Network (OAQPS TTN); (2) the OAQPS TTN Web Site (<http://tnwww.rtpnc.epa.gov>); or (3) by contacting Ms. Denise M. Gerth at 919-541-5550.

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National Advisory Council for Environmental Policy and Technology Reinvention Criteria Committee; Public Meeting

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).