

SUMMARY: On June 4, 1998 the binational panel issued its decision in the review of the final antidumping duty administrative review respecting Certain Corrosion-Resistant Carbon Steel Flat Products from Canada, Secretariat File No. USA-97-1904-03. The panel affirmed in part and remanded in part the final determination for further action within 60 days. Copies of the panel decision are available from the U.S. Section of the NAFTA Secretariat.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

James R. Holbein, United States Secretary, NAFTA Secretariat, Suite 2061, 14th and Constitution Avenue, Washington, D.C. 20230, (202) 482-5438.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Chapter 19 of the North American Free-Trade Agreement ("Agreement") establishes a mechanism to replace domestic judicial review of final determinations in antidumping and countervailing duty cases involving imports from a NAFTA country with review by independent binational panels. When a Request for Panel Review is filed, a panel is established to act in place of national courts to review expeditiously the final determination to determine whether it conforms with the antidumping or countervailing duty law of the country that made the determination.

Under Article 1904 of the Agreement, which came into force on January 1, 1994, the Government of the United States, the Government of Canada and the Government of Mexico established *Rules to Procedure for Article 1904 Binational Panel Reviews* ("Rules"). These Rules were published in the **Federal Register** on February 23, 1994 (59 FR 8686). The panel review in this matter has been conducted in accordance with these Rules.

BACKGROUND: On May 12, 1997, Stelco, Inc. filed a First Request for Panel Review with the U.S. Section of the NAFTA Secretariat pursuant to Article 1904 of the North American Free Trade Agreement. Panel review was requested of the final antidumping duty Administrative review made by the International Trade Administration in the administrative review respecting Certain Corrosion-Resistant Carbon Steel Flat Products from Canada. This determination was published in the **Federal Register** on April 15, 1997 (62 FR 18448). The NAFTA Secretariat assigned Case Number USA-97-1904-03 to this request. The panel reviewed the complaints, briefs and other documents and heard oral argument in this matter.

Panel Decision: The panel remanded the final determination to ITA to (1) reconsider the calculations of transfer prices for certain inputs and consider arguments that the transfer price of those inputs should be recalculated to take account of the actual costs with regard to those inputs; (2) recompute the net interest expense factor to include certain payments to governments other than income tax; and (3) correct clerical errors concerning certain inland freight expenses. The panel ordered the remand determination to be returned within 60 days (by August 3, 1998).

Dated: June 8, 1998.

James R. Holbein,

U.S. Secretary, NAFTA Secretariat.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[Docket No. 980429111-8111-01]

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Coastal Services Center Coastal Change Analysis Program

AGENCY: National Ocean Service (NOS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of availability of Federal assistance.

SUMMARY: The Coastal Services Center announces the availability of Federal assistance for fiscal year 1999 in the Coastal Change Analysis Program. This announcement provides detailed guidelines for the program area and include details for the technical program, evaluation criteria, and selection procedures. All applicants are required to submit a NOAA Grants Application Package and project proposal. The standard NOAA Grants Application Package (which includes forms SF-424, SF-424A, SF-424B, SF-424C, SF-424D, CD-511, DC-512, and SF-LLL) can be obtained from the Coastal Services Center, (843) 740-1200. Each funded project will establish a cooperative agreement. The total amount of funding is \$200,000 to \$335,000. A 20% cost share is required. **DATES:** Completed applications will be accepted through 5:00 pm Eastern Daylight Time on July 15, 1998. Target award date is anticipated to be within 90 days of application closing date.

ADDRESSES: Send completed applications to Dr. Dorsey Worthy, NOAA Coastal Services Center, 2234

South Hobson Avenue, Charleston, South Carolina 29405-2413.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Dorsey Worthy, (843) 740-1234 or dworthy@csc.noaa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Authority

Statutory authority for this program is provided under 16 U.S.C. Sec. 1456.c (Technical Assistance); 15 U.S.C. Sec. 1540 (Cooperative Agreements); 33 U.S.C. Sec. 1442 [Research program respecting possible long-range effects of pollution, overfishing, and man-induced changes of ocean ecosystems]; and 33 U.S.C. Sec. 1441 (Monitoring and research programs).

Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA)

The CSC Program is listed in the Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance under Number 11.473.

Program Description

NOAA's Coastal Services Center (CSC) is seeking proposals to expand its national effort to monitor change in coastal habitats. The purpose of these guidelines is to identify eligibility criteria, roles and responsibilities, milestones, and selection criteria associated with the award. Each funded project will establish a one year cooperative agreement between CSC and the Cooperator. Most projects will be funded in the approximately \$10,000-\$75,000 range. A cost share of 20% of the total award amount is required for consideration.

Background

The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's (NOAA) Coastal Services Center (CSC) in Charleston, South Carolina is a coastal science and resource advisory center that draws on the expertise of NOAA and its partners to address critical coastal resource issues. Established in 1994 in Charleston, the Center's mission is to provide information, education and technology transfer to the coastal community for improved decision making. The Center serves to bridge the gap between coastal scientists and resource managers by bringing Center staff, technologies, and outside partner expertise to bear on national problems related to coastal ecosystems and economies.

The Coastal Services Center's Coastal Change Analysis Program (C-CAP) is a nationwide effort to produce standardized land cover and benthic habitat maps and change data for all coastal areas of the United States. This work is accomplished in close

cooperation with state and local resource management agencies. The objectives of the program are to produce nationally consistent baseline and change data, and to determine the impacts these changes have on living marine resources for informed coastal decision making as well as for identifying and protecting essential fish habitat. For these C-CAP efforts, consideration for funding will be limited to projects in the following states, based on gaps in previous mapping efforts: Florida, Massachusetts, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Oregon and Texas. Total amount of funding available is \$200,000 to \$335,000.

C-CAP will initiate projects in three general areas in FY99:

0. New terrestrial land cover change analysis projects will be initiated to derive Landsat Thematic Mapper (TM) based terrestrial wetlands and uplands land cover characterizations and change for state or regional scale studies. These projects are part of the C-CAP effort to establish a baseline change assessment for all coastal areas of the United States. Project funding for FY99 will range from \$10,000 to \$75,000, for a total of up to \$300,000 maximum for this category.

1. New seagrass and other submersed-benthic mapping projects will be initiated to derive location and change maps of seagrass and other nearshore benthic resources as part of the continuing C-CAP effort to establish a baseline change assessment for all coastal areas of the United States. Project funding for FY99 will range from \$5,000 to \$10,000, for a total of up to \$30,000 maximum for this category.

2. State and local land cover and benthic change applications projects will be initiated to foster local (county and township level) use of C-CAP land cover and benthic resource maps for coastal land use planning and management. Project funding for FY99 will range from \$10,000 to \$35,000, for a total of up to \$35,000 maximum for this category.

Roles and Responsibilities

These projects are intended to be cooperative in nature. The project proposals should demonstrate cooperative efforts among various participants such as federal, state, and local governments. Successful proposals will establish a consortium of key participants, and identify appropriate responsibilities for these project partners. The following items identify the minimum project participation expected by the Coastal Services Center and the project applicant. Additional

roles and responsibilities should be identified by the applicant.

1. *Coastal Services Center.* C-CAP and the Coastal Services Center shall have primary responsibility for the following activities associated with the project:

2 Provide all Landsat TM imagery or aerial Photography needed for the project. The original, government-provided data are property of CSC and must be returned to CSC upon completion of the project.

2 Provide technical guidance for image processing, field verification, and accuracy assessment to ensure all procedures and products meet the guidelines presented in Dobson *et al.* 1995 (Available on the C-CAP homepage of the CSC web site or upon request from the CSC library). This includes:

—The provision of guidance and manpower in all field exercises deemed necessary by both parties; and

—Site visits by C-CAP personnel to the facilities of the cooperator(s) to provide technical assistance as necessary during data processing.

2 Provide all necessary forms, information and assistance to document Federal Geographic Data Committee (FGDC) compliant metadata for the change detection product.

2 Monitor progress and evaluate biannual progress reports.

0. *Cooperator.* The Cooperator shall have primary responsibility for the following activities associated with the project:

2 Organize and manage project planning and partnership development.

2 Administer the cooperative agreement in accordance with the terms of the cooperative agreement award.

2 Identify a technical coordinator that will take the lead for all technical aspects of the change detection and a management coordinator that will be responsible for relating the data to key management issues ensuring that the data are integrated into pertinent coastal management programs.

2 Perform a change detection analysis for the study area as per this announcement presented in Dobson *et al.* 1995.

2 Furnish for the change detection analysis all digital (i.e. NWI) or hard copy (i.e. aerial photos) data at their disposal that may be valuable as ancillary data.

2 Provide complete FGDC compliant metadata for the change detection products.

2 Provide all georeferenced field data collected during image verification and accuracy assessment.

2 Submit biannual progress reports.

0. *Joint Responsibility* Both C-CAP and the cooperator will provide final field accuracy assessment of the product, which may require either party to supply such equipment as laptop computers for field use, GPS units, four-wheel drive vehicles, etc.

Project Funding Priority

Program policy factors may be considered in final award decisions to ensure a balance of technical areas and geographic distribution.

Project Proposal

All project proposals should include the following sections for a total of 6–8 pages maximum:

2 Goals and Objectives—identify broad project goals and quantifiable objectives;

2 Background/Introduction—state the problem and summary of existing federal/state/local efforts;

2 Audience—describe specifics of how the project will contribute to improving or resolving coastal management issues with the primary target audience, also identify the audience explicitly;

2 Project Description/Methodology—describe the specifics of the project (in 3 pages maximum), with a complete and explicit description of the project area (i.e. TM scene path, row; number and location of aerial photos, flightlines etc);

2 Project Partners—identify project partners and their respective roles;

2 Milestones and Outcomes—list target milestones, timelines, and desired outcomes in terms of products or services; and,

2 Project Budget—provide a detailed budget breakdown by category and provide a brief narrative budget justification, including identification of 20% cost share.

Note: All applicants are required to submit 1 original and 2 copies of a completed and signed NOAA Grants Application Package. The application package may be obtained by calling the Coastal Services Center at (843) 740-1200.

Selection Process

Applicants will submit applications to the Coastal Services Center by the published due date. Each proposal will be reviewed by two external and two NOAA reviewers. Reviewers will individually score each proposal following the criteria published in these guidelines. Each proposal will be ranked by average score and submitted to the CSC Coastal Information Services Associate Director, who will make the final selections based on reviewer

rankings and the project funding priorities outlined above. It is anticipated that 3 to 10 projects will be funded.

Evaluation Criteria (With Weights)

Applications that do not meet the required 20% cost share *will not be considered*.

Coastal Management Relevance (40 points).

2 Does the project tie into ongoing federal, state or local management activities and/or programs? (25 points).

2 Does the project address critical federal, state or local coastal management policies relating to land cover and land cover change (i.e. non-point source runoff)? (15 points).

Strength of Partnerships (30 points).

2 Does the project have a clearly defined audience and products have clearly defined users? (15 points).

2 How will the project foster ongoing federal, state or local partnerships for use of land cover change to answer coastal management needs among key collaborators? (15 points).

Technical Merit (30 points).

2 Does the proposed project maximize the use of existing resources? (15 points).

2 Is the approach scientifically sound and relevant at the local level? (15 points).

Selection Schedule

The following are the approximate milestones and dates for the selection schedule of the cooperator:

Applications due: July 15, 1998

Award target start date: October 31, 1998

Project Reporting/Evaluation Requirements

The Cooperator will be asked to provide biannual progress reports.

Funding Availability

Specific funding available for awards will be finalized after NOAA budget for FY 99 is authorized. Total funding available for this announcement will be between \$200,000 and \$335,000. There is no guarantee that sufficient funds will be available to make awards for all approved projects. Publication of this notice does not obligate NOAA to award any specific grant or cooperative agreement or to obligate all or any parts of the available funds.

Cost Sharing

Cost sharing at 20% of the total Federal project funding cost is required in response to these guidelines and should be provided by the applicant or third party contributions.

Eligibility Criteria

Applicant eligibility is limited to projects in the following states, based on gaps in previous efforts; Florida, Massachusetts, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Oregon and Texas. Other Federal agencies or institutions are not eligible to receive Federal assistance under this notice.

Indirect Costs

The total dollar amount of the indirect costs proposed in an application under this program must not exceed the current indirect cost rate negotiated and approved by the applicant's 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. If a rate has not been established, one will be negotiated by the Department of Commerce Office of Inspector General.

Federal Policies and Procedures

Recipients and sub-recipients are subject to all Federal laws and Federal and DOC policies, regulations, and procedures applicable to Federal assistance awards.

Name Check Review

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 recipient have been convicted of, or are presently facing, criminal charges such as fraud, theft, perjury, or other matters that significantly reflect on the recipient's management, honesty, or financial integrity.

Past Performance

Unsatisfactory performance under prior Federal awards may result in an application not being considered for funding.

Pre-Award 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 oral or written assurance that may have been received, there is no obligation on the part of DOC to cover pre-award costs, should an award not be made or funded at a level less than requested.

No Obligation for Future Funding

If the application is selected for funding, 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.

Delinquent Federal Debts

No award or Federal Funds shall be made to an applicant who has an outstanding delinquent Federal debt until either:

(i) The delinquent account is paid in full,

(ii) A negotiated repayment schedule is established and at least one payment is received, or

(iii) Other arrangements satisfactory to DOC are made.

Primary Applicant Certifications

All organizations or individuals preparing grant applications must submit a completed Form CD-511 "Certifications Regarding Debarment, Suspension, and Other Responsibility Matters; Drug-Free Workplace Requirements and Lobbying," and explanations are hereby provided:

Non-Procurement 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;

Drug-Free Workplace

Grantees (as defined at 15 CFR part 26, Section 605) are subject to 15 CFR part 26, subpart f, "Government side Requirements for Drug-Free Workplace (Grants)" and the related section of the certification form prescribed above applies;

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 use of appropriated funds to influence certain Federal contracting and financial transactions," and the lobbying section of the certification form prescribed above applies to application/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 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.

Lower-Tier Certifications

Recipients shall require applicants/bidders for sub-grants, contracts,

subcontracts, or other lower-tier-covered transactions at any tier under the award to submit, if applicable, a completed Form 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." Form CD-512 is intended for the use of recipients and should not be transmitted to DOC. SF-LLL submitted by any tier recipient or sub-recipient should be submitted to DOC in accordance with the instructions contained in the aware document.

False Statements

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.

Intergovernmental Review

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

Buy American-Made Equipment or Products

Applicants are hereby notified that they will be encouraged, to the greatest extent practicable, to purchase American-made equipment and products with funding provided under this program in accordance with Congressional intent.

Classification

This action has been determined to be not significant for purposes of Executive Order 12866.

Prior notice and an opportunity for public comment are not required by the Administrative Procedure Act or any other law for this notice concerning grants, cooperative agreements, benefits, and contracts. Therefore, a regulatory flexibility analysis is not required for purposes of the Regulatory Flexibility Act. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, no person is required to respond to, nor shall a person be subject to, a penalty for failure to comply with a collection of information subject to the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) unless the collection of information displays a currently valid OMB control number.

This notice involves a collection-of-information requirement subject to the Paperwork Reduction Act. The collection-of-information has been approved by OMB, OMB Control Numbers 0348-0043, 0348-0044, 0348-0040, 0348-0046, and 0605-0001.

Dated: June 9, 1998.

Captain Evelyn J. Fields,

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

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 061198C]

Federal Investment Task Force; Public Meeting

AGENCY: National Marine fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: The Sustainable Fisheries Act (SFA) requires the Secretary of Commerce (Secretary) to establish a task force to study the role of the Federal Government in subsidizing fleet capacity and influencing capital investment in fisheries. The Federal Investment Task Force will hold its fourth meeting on June 26-29, 1998, in Portland, ME.

DATES: The meeting of the task force will be held June 26-29, 1998. See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** for specific dates and times.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Sheraton South Portland, 363 Maine Hall Road, Portland, ME 04106, telephone (207) 775-6161.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: John Reisenweber, Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission, (301) 713-2363; fax: (301) 713-1875; email: john.reisenweber@noaa.gov; or Matteo Milazzo, (301) 713-2276.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Meeting Dates

June 26, 1998, 1:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

The Task Force will review the Federal programs that were discussed at the previous meeting. The review will include a discussion of the influence that these programs have had on capacity and capitalization of fishing fleets.

June 27, 1998, 8:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

The Task Force will review the working papers that have been updated and developed since the last meeting.

June 28, 1998, 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

The Task Force will hear public input regarding the Federal Investment Study. The public is encouraged to comment on the general scope and concept of the

study, as well as the effect of Federal programs on the capacity and capitalization of fishing fleets.

June 29, 1998, 8:30 a.m. To 5:00 p.m.

The Task Force will review the comments received at the public meeting. The Task Force will conclude its review and further discuss the influence of other federal agencies and policies on capacity and capitalization in the fishing fleet. The Task Force will also determine the subjects and topics to be included on the agenda for the next meeting.

Special Accommodations

The meeting is physically accessible to those with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to John Reisenweber at (301) 713-2363 at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

Dated: June 15, 1998.

Bruce C. Morehead,

Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Telecommunications and Information Administration

[Docket No. 980422102-8152-02]

Public Meeting To Explore Privacy Issues Related to Electronic Commerce

AGENCY: National Telecommunications and Information Administration, Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This public meeting will provide an opportunity for members of the academic community, industry, privacy advocates, public interest groups, the public and government to explore issues surrounding electronic commerce privacy. The meeting will provide a forum for debate and dialogue.

DATES: The meetings will be held on June 23 and 24, 1998 from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting is scheduled to take place at the Department of Commerce, main auditorium, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC. Attendees should use the Main Entrance on 14th Street. To facilitate entry please (1) have a picture ID available and/or a U.S. government building pass if applicable and (2) have your registration form with you.

If the meeting location changes, another Federal Register notice will be