

in the United States and of a type described above.

The amendment implemented by this directive shall be for the periods December 23, 1998 through December 31, 2000 for women's and girls' "hymo" type interlinings and September 23, 1998 through December 31, 2000 for men's and boys' "hymo" type interlinings.

The Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements has determined that this action falls within the foreign affairs exception of the rulemaking provisions of 5 U.S.C. 553(a)(1).

Sincerely,

Troy H. Cribb,

*Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.*

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## CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

### Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

The Corporation for National and Community Service (hereinafter the "Corporation"), has submitted the following public information collection requests (ICRs) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13, (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35). Copies of these individual ICRs, with applicable supporting documentation, may be obtained by calling the Corporation for National and Community Service, Office of Learn and Serve America, Amy Cohen, (202) 606-5000, Extension 484. Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TTY/TDD) may call (202) 606-5256 between the hours of 9 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Eastern time, Monday through Friday.

Comments should be sent to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attn: Mr. Danny Werfel, OMB Desk Officer for the Corporation for National and Community Service, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10235, Washington, D.C., 20503, (202) 395-7316, within 30 days from the date of this publication in the **Federal Register**.

The OMB is particularly interested in comments which:

- Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Corporation, including whether the information will have practical utility;
- Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information,

including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

- Enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submissions of responses.

*Type of Review:* New.

*Agency:* Corporation for National and Community Service.

*Title:* National Service-Learning Leader Schools Program Application.

*OMB Number:* None.

*Agency Number:* None.

*Affected Public:* High schools that choose to seek recognition.

*Total Respondents:* Approximately 250.

*Frequency:* Annual.

*Average Time Per Response:* 6 hours.

*Estimated Total Burden Hours:* 1,500 hours.

*Total Burden Cost (capital/startup):* \$35,000 (250 applicants @ \$140 each: \$20 for copying, assembly, and mailing plus 6 hours per response @ \$20 an hour).

*Total Burden Cost (operating/maintenance):* None.

*Description:* The information being collected in this application package and forms will be used as part of the standard application package to facilitate the identification and recognition of public and private high schools that have demonstrated exemplary practices in service-learning, and will be used by the Corporation and its review panel of experts to evaluate a school's merit for recognition, as well as public awareness, educational and information purposes consistent with the Corporation's mission. There were no comments received during the initial 60-day public comment period.

Dated: December 15, 1998.

**Kenneth L. Kloth,**

*General Counsel.*

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## CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

### Notice of availability of funds to support AmeriCorps Promise Fellowships in support of the goals of the Presidents' Summit in North Dakota and South Dakota

**AGENCY:** Corporation for National and Community Service.

**ACTION:** Notice of availability of funds.

**SUMMARY:** Earlier this year, the Corporation for National and Community Service (the Corporation) selected organizations to sponsor AmeriCorps Promise Fellows in support of the five goals for children and youth set at the Presidents' Summit for America's Future. We do not expect that process to result in Fellows being placed in North Dakota and South Dakota. By this announcement, the Corporation announces its intent to use up to approximately \$130,000 to award grants to nonprofit organizations local governments, or state governments to sponsor AmeriCorps Promise Fellows in North Dakota and South Dakota. These Fellows will spend one year serving with organizations that are committed to helping to meet one or more of the five goals of the Presidents' Summit. Each Fellow will receive a living allowance of \$13,000 for a 12-month term of service and, upon successful completion of a term, will receive a \$4,725 AmeriCorps education award.

Last year at Philadelphia, President Clinton, former Presidents Bush, Carter, and Ford, Mrs. Nancy Reagan, and General Colin Powell, with the endorsement of many governors, mayors and leaders of the independent sector, declared: "We have a special obligation to America's children to see that all young Americans have:

1. Caring adults in their lives, as parents, mentors, tutors, coaches;
2. Safe places with structured activities in which to learn and grow;
3. A health start and healthy future;
4. An effective education that equips them with marketable skills; and
5. An opportunity to give back to their communities through their own service."

These five goals are now the five fundamental resources sought by America's Promise—The Alliance for Youth, the organization following up on the goals of the Presidents' Summit.

As a major partner in this effort, the Corporation devotes a substantial part of its activities to help meet these goals, including the work of AmeriCorps, Learn and Serve America, and the National Senior Service Corps. This new Fellowship program will provide States and local communities with additional and unique support to help carry out their plans to provide States and local communities with additional and unique support to help carry out their plans to provide America's children with these five fundamental resources.

**DATES:** All sponsor proposals must be submitted by January 19, 1999. The

Corporation anticipates announcing selections under this announcement no later than February 16, 1999. The project period is negotiable, but will generally end no later than March 31, 2000.

**ADDRESSES:** Proposals to sponsor one or more Fellows must be submitted to the Corporation at the following address: Corporation for National Service, Attn: H.B. Hicks, 1201 New York Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20525.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For further information, or to obtain a sponsor application, contact the Corporation for National Service, H.B. Hicks at (202) 606-5000, ext. 564. T.D.D. (202) 565-2799. This notice may be requested in an alternative format for the visually impaired.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Background**

The Corporation is a federal government corporation that encourages Americans of all ages and backgrounds to engage in community-based service. This service address the nation's educational, public safety, environmental and other human needs to achieve direct and demonstrable results. In doing so, the Corporation fosters civic responsibility, strengths the ties that bind us together as a people, and provides educational opportunity for those who make a substantial commitment to service. For more information about the Corporation and the activities that it supports, go to <http://www.nationalservice.org>.

Pursuant to the National and Community Service Act of 1990, as amended (the Act), the Corporation may support "innovative and model programs" and may award national service fellowships. 42 U.S.C. 12653b. In addition, the Corporation may approve the provision of education awards to individuals who successfully complete a term of service in "national service positions as the Corporation determines to be appropriate". 42 U.S.C. 12573(7).

Through this notice, the Corporation invites grant proposals from eligible entities in North Dakota and South Dakota that wish to sponsor one or more AmeriCorps Promise Fellows.

**Eligible sponsors**

The following entities in North Dakota and South Dakota are eligible to apply to become a sponsor; nonprofit organizations, local governments, state governments.

**Substance of the Fellowship Program**

An AmeriCorps Promise Fellowship provides the Fellow with an opportunity to make a unique contribution to organizations helping to meet one or more of the five fundamental needs declared at the Presidents' Summit and being advanced by America's Promise—The Alliance for Youth; national, state, and local nonprofit organizations; and the national service network. For more information about the five goals of the Presidents' Summit, go to <http://www.americaspromise.org>.

Although AmeriCorps Promise Fellows may be placed by a sponsor at a host organization that focuses its resources on only one of the goals of the Presidents' Summit, the host organization must be part of a larger effort (e.g., Community of Promise) that supports the delivery of all of the five fundamental resources to children and young people.

Eligible sponsor applicants have considerable freedom to identify the structure of their Fellowship program and the projects or activities that AmeriCorps Promise Fellows will pursue. The most important considerations in establishing a program are that the prospective Fellows help meet the goals of the Presidents' Summit and that they have the ability to produce a defined outcome. The following are examples of specific tasks that Fellows may perform; these tasks are included here for illustrative purposes:

- A full-time coordinator for a Community of Promise campaign providing a targeted number of young people with all or several of the America's Promise fundamental resources.
- A full-time coordinator of individual or multiple sites, such as schools and housing complexes, that provide access to multiple or all five fundamental resources.
- An entrepreneur initiating a program to provide multiple resources to targeted young people, for example, adding a service component and access to dental care to an existing after-school tutoring program.
- A recruiter of Communities of Promise.
- A recruiter and manager of volunteers in a local or regional effort providing all or multiple resources to a number of young people.

The following are examples of organizational activities that could be supported by Fellows as part of an effort to provide the five fundamental resources to children and youth. They

are included here for illustrative purposes only:

- Expansion of Volunteer Center activities to promote the goals of the Presidents' Summit.
- State Education Agency efforts to stimulate service-learning opportunities by K-12 students.
- Community and school efforts to provide after-school programs in safe places.
- Youth leadership to stimulate service and service-learning by inner-city youth.
- Support to community volunteer and Federal-Work-Study efforts to promote literacy.
- Immunization efforts aimed at young children and their families.
- Efforts to secure access to health care providers and facilities.
- Mentoring programs linking adults with youth in need of additional support.
- Recruitment of placement of Federal-Work-Study students for community service.
- New models for involving professions in organizing to meet the goals of the Presidents' Summit, e.g., health care professionals, librarians, museum administrators, and teachers.
- Efforts to stimulate service by diverse groups to meet the Presidents' Summit's goals, including diverse ethnic, religious, racial, and cultural groups.

A sponsor may determine its own process to identify projects and programs in which AmeriCorps Promise Fellows will serve, and may either participate directly in the recruitment and selection of individual AmeriCorps Promise Fellows or delegate that responsibility to local programs or another entity (e.g., a university). One model a sponsor may consider is first to identify organizations where Fellows may serve, establish that the activities of those organizations meet the criteria for the AmeriCorps Promise Fellowship program and then simply publicize a list of eligible host organizations for individuals interested in pursuing a Fellowship.

Fellows will be viewed as leaders in the efforts to implement the goals of the Presidents' Summit, and as a group will have an identity tied to this overall effort, including opportunities to meet and to assess the overall impact of their efforts. Although no particular academic credentials or work experience are required to become a Fellow, confidence in the ability of applicants to produce outcomes in support of the goals of the Presidents' Summit, such as the implementation of commitments made at the Presidents' Summit and follow-up

state and local summits, is the central criterion for selection. This is evidenced by: strong academic credentials; substantial and successful work experience in a field related to the organization's activities; and experience performing significant service related activities, particularly various national service leaders' programs, including AmeriCorps leaders, AmeriCorps\*VISTA leaders, AmeriCorps\*National Civilian Community Corps leaders, and leadership activities in programs sponsored by Learn and Serve America and the National Senior Service Corps. Each sponsor may adapt the above concepts to meet its specific needs.

An AmeriCorps Promise Fellow must: (1) Be at least 17 years of age; (2) be a U.S. citizen, national, or lawful permanent resident alien; and (3) have a high school diploma or GED. Individuals who have already served in two approved national service positions (a position for which an educational award is provided) are, by statute, not eligible for a third education award.

Fellowships are expected to be for at least 10 months and must be completed within 12 months. To qualify for an education award of \$4,725, a Fellow must serve on a full-time basis, perform at least 1,700 hours of service, and successfully complete the Fellowship.

Fellows who serve for twelve months receive a living allowance of \$13,000, paid in regular increments. Fellows who serve fewer than twelve months receive a prorated living allowance. Fellows may receive a living allowance greater than \$13,000 only if they are part of a professional corps and are supported entirely by public or private organizations (e.g., Fellows on paid sabbaticals), with the Corporation's support limited to the provision of education awards.

#### **Sponsor's Role**

Each sponsor determines the process for the recruitment and selection of AmeriCorps Promise Fellows in its respective area. The sponsor must certify that the organization in which the Fellow is being placed is conducting activities that contribute to one or more of the five goals of the Presidents' Summit, and that this is part of a larger effort to provide all five of the fundamental resources to children and youth.

The Corporation anticipates that host organizations generally will be local nonprofit organizations that are engaged in activities in support of the goals of the Presidents' Summit.

Sponsors are responsible for ensuring compliance with required elements of

the Fellowship program. These requirements, which will be individually described in the grant agreement between the Corporation and the sponsor, include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Providing office space, supplies, and equipment
- Providing a living allowance
- Paying and withholding FICA taxes
- Withholding income taxes
- Providing unemployment insurance if required by State law
- Providing workers' compensation if required by State law or obtaining insurance to cover service-related injuries
- Providing liability insurance to cover claims relating to Fellows
- Providing adequate training and supervision
- Ensuring that Fellows not engage in prohibited activities (such as lobbying)
- Complying with statutory prohibitions on uses of assistance (such as displacement, discrimination)
- Providing a grievance procedure that meets statutory standards
- Verifying and submitting timely documentation relating to each Fellow's eligibility for an education award
- Providing an adequate financial management system
- Complying with other reporting requirements.

#### **Contents of the Sponsor Application**

Sponsor applications must contain the following information:

1. Background concerning the applicant's current efforts to achieve the goals of the Presidents' Summit.
2. A designation of the organizations where the Fellows will be assigned, including the process used to select host organizations and background concerning the selected organizations and the roles they are playing in local summit follow-up. If the organizations are not yet designated, the application should describe the process that the sponsor will use to designate such entities.
3. A description of the activities that the Fellows will perform, including an indication about how the activities will support significant growth and/or improvements in the quality of efforts to meet the five goals of the Presidents' Summit.
4. An estimated budget to carry out the program, consistent with the description below.

The application may not exceed 21 double-spaced pages in length; more detailed instructions concerning the contents of the application are contained in the application package.

#### **Budget and Finances**

The Corporation will issue grants on a fixed amount per Fellow basis, not to exceed \$13,000. These amounts exclude the education award. The sponsor assumes full financial responsibility for the program. Sponsors must provide the additional financial support necessary to carry out their proposed Fellowship program. To the extent that a sponsor provides a significant portion of the costs such that it notably reduces the Corporation's funding per Fellowship, additional Fellowships may be supported. The Corporation strongly encourages cost-sharing proposals, consistent with the guidelines in this Notice, to leverage Corporation resources and maximize the number of Fellows.

For the Fellows program, the Corporation is implementing a fixed price award mechanism that does not require Corporation monitoring of actual costs incurred or compliance by the grantee with the Federal Cost Principles. The award will be dependent on the grantee's acceptance of its terms and conditions, including recruiting, placing, and retaining the number of Fellows specified in the award to carry out the activities and to achieve the specific project objectives as approved by the Corporation.

In addition to the approved grant amount, the Corporation will provide an education award to Fellows who successfully complete their term of service. The Corporation expects to sponsor national training events to provide Fellows with an opportunity to come together to assess national progress in meeting the goals of the President's Summit. The Corporation will also promote the availability of these Fellowships.

The Corporation anticipates that these grants will be renewable for up to a three-year period, subject to performance and the availability of appropriations.

#### **Process for selecting sponsors**

In selecting sponsors, the Corporation will consider: program design (60%), including (in order of importance) getting things done to help achieve the five goals of the Presidents' Summit, fostering the skills and leadership development of Fellows, and strengthening communities; organizational capacity (25%); and budget/cost effectiveness (15%). The Corporation will make all final decisions concerning approval of these grants for Fellowships. Given the Corporation's interest in having the common elements for the Fellowships

that are described above, the Corporation announces its intent to enter into such negotiations with any sponsor in a manner that may require revisions to the original grant proposal.

Dated: December 15, 1998.

**Kenneth L. Kloth,**

*General Counsel, Corporation for National and Community Service.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Department of the Army Corps of Engineers

#### **Notice of Availability of the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) for the Proposed Alamo Lake Reoperation and Ecosystem Restoration Feasibility Study, La Paz and Mohave Counties, Arizona; dated December 1998**

**AGENCY:** U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Los Angeles District, DOD.

**ACTION:** Notice of Availability.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers has prepared a Draft Alamo Lake Reoperation and Ecosystem Restoration Feasibility Study, La Paz and Mohave Counties, Arizona; dated December 1998. Alamo Dam is located on the Bill Williams River, on the border of Mohave and La Paz Counties, in west-central Arizona, approximately 110 miles northwest of Phoenix, Arizona. Construction of the dam and appurtenant works was completed in 1968 as a multipurpose project (flood control, water conservation and supply, and recreation) under authorization of the Flood Control Act of December 22, 1944. Since the late 1970's local, state, and federal offices, interest groups, and private parties have raised issues and concerns surrounding the operation of Alamo Dam and its impact, both upstream and downstream, upon recreation, fisheries, endangered species, and riparian habitat. In response to these concerns, the Corps of Engineers is studying the impacts of alternative water storage elevations to optimize biological and recreational benefits while still meeting the authorized project purposes.

The general planning objective guiding the development of alternatives was the balance between minimum flows needed to sustain and enhance riparian resources below the dam, and sustenance of suitable lake elevations with minimal fluctuations for reservoir resources and uses. The 1,125-foot, 1,100-foot, and 1,070-foot plans are

analyzed in consideration of all pertinent environmental resources potentially affected under these operational scenarios. This analysis is presented in the DEIS to serve as the basis for comparing the relative level of impact that each alternative would have on the environment.

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

For further information on the Draft Feasibility Report contact Mr. Mike Smiley, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Los Angeles District, Attn: CESPL-PD-WC, 3636 N. Central Avenue, Room 740, Phoenix, Arizona 85012-1936, at (602) 640-2003; and for information on the DEIS contact Mr. Timothy Smith, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Los Angeles District, Attn: CESPL-PD-RN, P.O. Box 532711, Los Angeles CA 90053-2325, at phone (213) 452-3854, or via E-mail to: tjsmith@spl.usace.army.mil.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Army Corps of Engineers has prepared a DEIS to assess the environmental effects associated with the Proposed Alamo Lake Reoperation and Ecosystem Restoration Feasibility Study, La Paz and Mohave Counties, Arizona; dated December 1998. The public will have the opportunity to comment on this analysis before any action is taken to implement the proposed action.

#### **Scoping:**

The Army Corps of Engineers conducted a scoping meeting prior to preparing the Environmental Impact Statement to aid in determining the significant environmental issues associated with the proposed action. This meeting was held in Parker, Arizona on May 6, 1998.

Individuals and agencies may present written comments relevant to the DEIS by sending the information to Mr. Timothy Smith at the address above prior to February 1, 1999. Comments, suggestions, and requests to be placed on the mailing list for announcements and for the Final EIS, should be sent to Timothy Smith, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Los Angeles District, Attn: CESPL-PD-RN, PO Box 532711, Los Angeles, CA 90053-2325, or via E-mail to: tjsmith@spl.usace.army.mil, or FAX at (213) 452-4204.

#### **Availability of the Draft EIS**

Copies of the DEIS are available from Mr. Tim Smith at the address above. Review copies are also available at the following Corps' offices:

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Los Angeles District, Environmental Resources Branch, 911 Wilshire Boulevard, 14th Floor, Los Angeles, CA

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Los Angeles District, Planning Section C, 3636 N. Central Avenue, Room 740, Phoenix, Arizona 85012-1936

Dated: December 11, 1998.

**John P. Carroll,**

*Colonel, Corps of Engineers, District Engineer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Department of the Navy

#### **Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement for the Shock Trial of the DDG 81 Flight IIA Class Destroyer**

**AGENCY:** Department of the Navy, DOD.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to section 102(2)(c) of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as implemented by the Council on Environmental Quality regulations (40 CFR parts 1500-1508), the Department of the Navy announces its intent to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to evaluate the environmental effects of a proposal to conduct ship shock trials on the AEGIS Destroyer, WINSTON CHURCHILL (DDG 81) at a site located off the east coast or gulf coast of the United States.

Pursuant to 40 CFR 1501.6, the Department of the Navy has requested that the National Marine Fisheries Service act as a cooperating agency.

A "shock trial" is necessary to evaluate the effect that shock waves, resulting from a series of underwater explosions and designed to emulate conditions encountered in combat, have when they propagate through a ship's hull. The congressionally mandated (10 USC 2366) Live Fire Test and Evaluation (LFT&E) Program requires realistic survivability testing on each new class of Navy ships, or on an existing class of ships when significant design changes that may affect ship survivability are made. A "shock trial" is part of the Navy's LFT&E program to ensure survivability. The test results provide important information that is applied to follow-on ships and is used to improve the initial ship design and enhance the effectiveness and overall survivability of the ship and crew. Shock trials have proven their value as recently as the Persian Gulf War when ships were able to survive battle damage and continue their mission because of ship design, crew survivability, and crew training lessons learned during previous shock tests.