

**Notice of Availability of Final Environmental Impact Statement for Elwha River Ecosystem Restoration Implementation, Olympic National Park, Washington**

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces the availability of a final environmental impact statement (FEIS) for the implementation of the Elwha River Ecosystem Restoration in Olympic National Park, Washington. The FEIS presents the proposed action and alternatives for removing the Elwha and Glines Canyon dams and restoration of the Elwha River ecosystem and its native anadromous fisheries. The proposed action calls for removal of both dams and river erosion of trapped sediments downstream. The proposed action accomplishes the Secretary of the Interior's objectives, as directed by Public Law 102-495, the Elwha River Ecosystem and Fisheries Restoration Act of 1992, to restore the river's ecosystem and its native anadromous fisheries. This implementation FEIS is connected to the first, programmatic EIS, which was completed in June 1995. The programmatic EIS determined that dam removal was required to fully restore the Elwha River ecosystem and native anadromous fisheries.

The draft environmental impact statement (DEIS) for this action was released for public review on April 26, 1996, (Federal Register, Vol. 61, No. 82) and the public comment period closed on June 25, 1996. Both the DEIS and FEIS analyze the proposed action and alternatives for removing the Elwha and Glines Canyon dams and restoring the Elwha River ecosystem. The alternatives include No Action, i.e., retaining the dams in place; the River Erosion Alternative, i.e., removing both dams and allowing sediment to be eroded naturally by the river; and the Dredge and Slurry Alternative, i.e., removing both dams and using suction dredges mounted on barges to slurry fine-grained sediment (silt and clay) through a pipeline to the Strait of Juan de Fuca.

Major impact topics assessed for the proposed action and the alternatives include natural and cultural resources and other factors such as socioeconomics, public health and safety, water quality and traffic concerns.

The FEIS contains letters received from agencies and organizations during the public comment period and responses to all substantive comments are contained in a question and answer format. A summary of comments received during public workshops on the DEIS is also contained in the FEIS.

The DEIS and FEIS have been completed by the National Park Service in cooperation with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Bureau of Reclamation, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Army Corps of Engineers, and the Lower Elwha Klallam Tribe.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The no-action period on this FEIS will expire 30 days after the Environmental Protection Agency has published a notice of availability of the FEIS in the Federal Register. A limited number of copies of the FEIS are available on request by calling Lisa Hilt at 360-452-4501, ext. 264. All who submitted substantive comments on the Draft EIS will receive a copy of the FEIS. In addition, public reading copies of the FEIS will be available for review at the following locations: Office of Public Affairs, National Park Service, Department of Interior, 18 and C streets NW., Washington, DC 20240, Telephone: 202-208-6843; Olympic National Park, National Park Service, 600 E. Park Avenue, Port Angeles, WA 98362, Telephone: 206-452-4501; North Olympic Library System, Port Angeles Branch, 207 S. Lincoln Street, Port Angeles, WA 98362, Telephone: 206-452-9253; Government Documents, Seattle Public Library, 1000 4th Avenue, Seattle, WA 98104-1193, Telephone: 206-386-4686; Government Publications, Suzzallo Library, University of Washington, Seattle, WA 98195, Telephone: 206-543-1937; Columbia/Cascades Systems Support Office, National Park Service, 909 First Avenue, Seattle, WA 98104-1060, Telephone: 206-220-4154. For further information contact: Dr. Brian Winter, Elwha Project Coordinator, Olympic National Park, 600 E. Park Avenue, Port Angeles, WA 98362, Telephone: 360-452-0302.

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**INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION AGENCY**

**Agency for International Development**

**Housing Guaranty Program; Notice of Investment Opportunity**

The U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) has authorized the guaranty of a loan to the Government of Tunisia ("Borrower") as part of USAID's development assistance

program. The proceeds of this loan will be used to finance environmental infrastructure and services for the benefit of low-income families in Tunisia. At this time, the Government of Tunisia has authorized USAID to request proposals from eligible lenders for a loan under this program of \$10 Million U.S. Dollars (US\$10,000,000). The name and address of the Borrower's representative to be contacted by interested U.S. lenders or investment bankers, the amount of the loan and project numbers are indicated below:

Government of Tunisia

Project No: 664-HG-V

Housing Guaranty Loan No.: 664-HG-013 A01.

Amount: US\$10,000,000.

Attention: Mr. Moncef CHAFFAR, Directeur Général des Finances Extérieures, Banque Centrale de Tunisie, Tunis, Tunisia, Telex Nos.: BANCENT 15375, 13311, 13308, Telefax No.: 216-1-340-615 (preferred communication), Telephone Nos.: 216-1-340-588, 254-000.

Interested lenders should contact the Borrower as soon as possible and indicate their interest in providing financing for the Housing Guaranty Program. Interested lenders should submit their bids to the Borrower's representative by *Tuesday, December 3, 1996, 12:00 noon Eastern Daylight Standard Time*. Bids should be open for a period of 48 hours from the bid closing date. Copies of all bids should be simultaneously sent to the following: Mr. Scott Dobberstein or Ms. Monia Ben Khalifa, Regional Housing and Urban Development Office, USAID/NENA, USAID/Tunisia, c/o American Embassy, Tunis, Tunisia (Street address: 144, Avenue de la Liberté, Tunis, Tunisia), Telex No.: 14182 USAID TN, Telefax No.: 216-1-782-464 (preferred communication), Telephone No.: 216-1-781-308 or 784-375

Mr. Peter Pirnie, Financial Advisor, Address: U.S. Agency for International Development, Office of Environment and Urban Programs, G/ENV/UP, Room 409, SA-18, Washington, DC 20523-1822. Telex No.: 892703 AID WSA, Telefax No.: 703/875-4639 or 875-4384 (preferred communication), Telephone No.: 703/875-4300 or 875-4510

For your information the Borrower is currently considering the following terms:

(1) *Amount:* U.S. \$10 million.

(2) *Term:* 30 years.

(3) *Grace Period:* Ten years grace on repayment of principal. (During grace

period, semi-annual payments of interest only). If *variable* interest rate, repayment of principal to amortize in equal, semi-annual installments over the remaining 20-year life of the loan. If *fixed* interest rate, semi-annual level payments of principal and interest over the remaining 20-year life of the loan.

(4) *Interest Rate*: Alternatives of fixed and variable rates are requested.

(a) *Fixed Interest Rate*: If rates are to be quoted based on a spread over an index, the lender should use as its index a long bond, specifically the 6.75% U.S. Treasury Bond due August 15, 2026. Such rate is to be set at the time of acceptance. Interest to be payable semi-annually in arrears on a 30/360 day basis.

(b) *Variable Interest Rate*: To be based on the six-month British Bankers Association LIBOR, preferably with terms relating to Borrower's right to prepay, refinance and/or convert the loan to a fixed rate of interest. The variable rate should be adjusted weekly. Interest to be payable semi-annually in arrears on a 365/365 actual days basis.

(5) *Prepayment*:

(a) Offers should include any options for prepayment and mention prepayment premiums, if any.

(b) Federal statutes governing the activities of USAID require that the proceeds of USAID-guaranteed loans be used to provide affordable shelter and related infrastructure and services to below median-income families. In the extraordinary event that the Borrower materially breaches its obligation to comply with this requirement, USAID reserves the right, among its other rights and remedies, to accelerate the loan at par. It should be noted that since the inception of the USAID Housing Guaranty Program in 1962, USAID has not exercised its right of acceleration.

(6) *Fees*: Offers should specify the placement fees and other expenses, including USAID fees, Paying and Transfer Agent fees, and out of pocket expenses, etc. Lenders are requested to include all legal fees in their placement fee. Such fees and expenses shall be payable at closing from the proceeds of the loan.

(7) *Closing Date*: Not to exceed 60 days from date of selection of lender.

Selection of investment bankers and/or lenders and the terms of the loan are initially subject to the individual discretion of the Borrower, and thereafter, subject to approval by USAID. Disbursements under the loan will be subject to certain conditions required of the Borrower by USAID as set forth in agreements between USAID and the Borrower.

The full repayment of the loans will be guaranteed by USAID. The USAID guaranty will be backed by the full faith and credit of the United States of America and will be issued pursuant to authority in Section 222 of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, as amended (the "Act").

Lenders eligible to receive the USAID guaranty are those specified in Section 238(c) of the Act. They are: (1) U.S. citizens; (2) domestic U.S. corporations, partnerships, or associations substantially beneficially owned by U.S. citizens; (3) foreign corporations whose share capital is at least 95 percent owned by U.S. citizens; and, (4) foreign partnerships or associations wholly owned by U.S. citizens.

To be eligible for the USAID guaranty, the loans must be repayable in full no later than the thirtieth anniversary of the disbursement of the principal amount thereof and the interest rates may be no higher than the maximum rate established from time to time by USAID.

Information as to the eligibility of investors and other aspects of the USAID housing guaranty program can be obtained from: Ms. Vivianne Gary, Director, Office of Environment and Urban Programs, U.S. Agency for International Development, Room 409, SA-18, Washington, DC 20523-1822, Fax Nos: 703/875-4384 or 875-4639, Telephone: 703/875-4300.

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## DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

### Immigration and Naturalization Service

#### Agency Information Collection Activities: Extension of Existing Collection; Comment Request

**ACTION:** Notice of Information Collection Under Review, Petition for Nonimmigrant Worker.

Office of Management and Budget approval is being sought for the information collection listed below. This proposed information collection was previously published in the Federal Register on August 9, 1996 at 61 FR 41653, allowing for a 60-day public comment period.

The purpose of this notice is to allow an additional 30 days for public comments until December 20, 1996.

This process is conducted in accordance with 5 CFR 1320.10.

Written comments and/or suggestions regarding the item(s) contained in this notice, especially regarding the estimated public burden and associated response time, should be directed to the Office of Management and Budget, Office of Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Department of Justice Desk Office, Washington, DC 20530. Additionally, comments may be submitted to OMB via facsimile to (202) 395-7285. Comments may also be submitted to the Department of Justice (DOJ), Justice Management Division, Information Management and Security Staff, Attention: Department Clearance Officer, Suite 850, 1001 G Street, NW, Washington, DC 20530. Additionally, comments may be submitted to DOJ via facsimile to (202) 514-1590.

Written comments and suggestions from the public and affected agencies concerning the proposed collection of information should address one or more of the following four points:

(1) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;

(2) Evaluate the accuracy of the agencies estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

(3) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(4) 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 submission of response.

Overview of the information collection:

(1) Type of Information Collection: Extension of a currently approved collection.

(2) Title of the Form/Collection: Petition for Nonimmigrant Worker.

(3) Agency form number, if any, and the applicable component of the Department of Justice sponsoring the collection: Form I-129, Adjudication Division, Immigration and Naturalization Service.

(4) Affected public who will be asked or required to respond, as well as a brief abstract: Primary: Business or other for-profit.

(5) An estimate of the total number of respondents and the amount of time