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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

**National Institute of Health**

**National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders; Notice of Closed Meeting**

Pursuant to section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 United States Code Appendix 2), notice is hereby given of the following meeting:

*Name of Committee:* National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders Special Emphasis Panel.

*Date:* December 15, 1997.

*Time:* 2:00 pm to adjournment.

*Place:* 6120 Executive Blvd., Rockville MD 20892, (telephone conference call).

*Contact Person:* Richard S. Fisher, Ph.D., Scientific Review Administrator, NIDCD/DEA/SRB, EPS Room 400C, 6120 Executive Boulevard, Bethesda MD 20892-7180, 301-496-8683.

*Purpose/Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications. The meeting will be closed in accordance with the provisions set forth in sections 552b(c)(4) and 553b(c)(6), Title 5, United States Code. The applications and/or proposals and the discussion could reveal confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable material and personal information concerning individuals associated with the applications and/or proposals, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

**National Institutes of Health**

**National Institute of Mental Health; Notice of Closed Meetings**

Pursuant to section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. Appendix 2), notice is hereby given of the following meetings of the National Institute of Mental Health Special Emphasis Panel:

*Agenda Purpose:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Committee Name:* National Institute of Mental Health Special Emphasis Panel.

*Date:* December 9, 1997.

*Time:* 5 p.m.

*Place:* Parkland, Room 9C-18, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857.

*Contact Person:* W. Gregory Zimmerman, Parklawn, Room 9C-18, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857, Telephone: 301, 443-4868.

*Committee Name:* National Institute of Mental Health Special Emphasis Panel

*Date:* December 11, 1997.

*Time:* 10 a.m.

*Place:* Parkland, Room 9C-18, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857.

*Contact Person:* W. Gregory Zimmerman, Parklawn, Room 9C-18, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857, Telephone: 301, 443-4868.

The meetings will be closed in accordance with the provisions set forth in secs. 552b(c)(4) and 522b(c)(6), Title 5, U.S.C. Applications and/or proposals and the discussions could reveal confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable and personal information concerning individuals associated with the applications and/or proposals, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

**National Institutes of Health**

**National Institute of Child Health and Human Development; Notice of Closed Meeting**

Pursuant to section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. Appendix 2), notice is hereby given of the following

National Institute of Child Health and Human Development Special Emphasis Panel (SEP) meeting:

*Name of SEP:* Genotypic and Phenotypic Heterogeneity In Dyslexia.

*Date:* December 15-16, 1997.

*Time:* December 15-6:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.; December 16-8:00 a.m.-adjournment.

*Place:* Bowman Gray School of Medicine, Medical Center Boulevard, Winston-Salem, North Carolina 27157.

*Contact Person:* Scott F. Andres, Ph.D., Scientific Review Administrator, DSR, 6100 Executive Boulevard, Room 5E03, Bethesda, Maryland 20892, Telephone: 301-496-1485.

*Purpose/Agenda:* To evaluate and review a grant application.

This meeting will be closed in accordance with the provisions set forth in sections 552b(c)(4) and 552b(c)(6), Title 5 U.S.C. The discussion of this application could reveal confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable material and personal information concerning individuals associated with the application, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. [93.864, Population Research and No. 93.865, Research for Mothers and Children], National Institutes of Health, HHS)

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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

**National Institutes of Health**

**National Library of Medicine; Notice of Closed Meeting**

Pursuant to section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C., Appendix 2), notice is hereby given of the following National Library of Medicine Special Emphasis Panel (SEP) meeting.

*Name of SEP:* National Library of Medicine Special Emphasis Panel.

*Date:* December 9, 1997.

*Place:* Conference Call, 8600 Rockville Pike, Building 38A, Room 5N-519, Bethesda, MD 20894.

*Contact:* Sharee Pepper, Ph.D., Scientific Review Administrator, EP, 8600 Rockville Pike, Bldg. 38A, Rm. 5N-519, Bethesda, Maryland 20894, 301/496-4253.

*Purpose/Agenda:* To evaluate six research and two resource grant applications.

This notice is being published less than 15 days prior to the above meeting due to the urgent need to meet timing limitations by the grant review and funding cycle.

The meeting will be closed in accordance with the provisions set forth in secs. 552b(c)(4) and 552b(c)(6), Title 5, U.S.C. Applications and/or proposals and the

discussions could reveal confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable material and personal information concerning individuals associated with the applications and/or proposals, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-4307-N-01]

### Draft Environmental Impact Statement; City of Porterville, CA; Section 108 Loan Guarantee Funded Infrastructure

**AGENCY:** Office of the Assistant Secretary for Community Planning and Development, HUD.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Housing and Urban Development gives notice that the City of Porterville, California, intends to prepare a Draft Environmental Impact Statement for a public infrastructure project to be located within the Urban Development Boundary of Porterville.

This Notice is in accordance with regulations of the Council on Environmental Quality as described in 40 CFR parts 1500-1508. Federal agencies having jurisdiction by law, special expertise, or other special interest should report their interests and indicate their readiness to aid in the EIS effort as a "Cooperation Agency."

A Draft Environmental Impact Statement will be completed for the proposed action described herein. Comments relating to the Draft EIS are requested and will be accepted by the contact person listed below. When the Draft EIS is completed, a notice will be sent to individuals and groups known to have an interest on the Draft EIS and particularly on the environmental impact issues identified therein. Any person or agency interested in receiving a notice and making comment on the Draft EIS should contact the person listed below.

**DATES:** Comments Due: December 16, 1997.

**ADDRESSES:** All interested agencies, groups and persons are invited to submit written comments on the within-named project and the Draft

Environmental Impact Statement to the following contact person: Ronald J. Mauck, City of Porterville, Department of Community Development and Services, 291 North Main Street, Porterville, CA 93257. Such comments should be received by the office within 15 days of the publication of this notice in the **Federal Register** and all comments so received will be considered prior to the preparation and distribution of the Draft Environmental Impact Statement.

Particularly solicited is information on reports or other environmental studies planned or completed in the project area, major issues and date which the EIS should consider and recommended mitigating measures and alternatives associated with the proposed project. Federal agencies having jurisdictions by law, special expertise or other special interest should report their interests and indicate their readiness to aid the EIS effort as a "cooperating agency".

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ronald J. Mauck, City of Porterville, Department of Community Development and Services, 291 North Main Street, Porterville, CA 93257.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The proposed project involves installation of a variety of public infrastructure including, but not necessarily limited to, public streets (including curbs, gutters, sidewalks, and street lights), water and sewer trunk lines, highway on and off ramps, and storm drain lines. The primary objective of installing the infrastructure is to facilitate the development of new industrial and commercial employment centers to accomplish provision of new jobs, particularly low- and moderate-income jobs, within the community.

The City of Porterville anticipates acquiring Community Development Block Grant funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (Pub. L. 93-383) to repay a Section 108 Loan Guarantee from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development in funding the proposed project.

The combined Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Impact Statement (EIR/EIS) will analyze potential environmental effects of five project alternatives. The alternatives described here are not intended to represent a final list of alternatives that may be considered, but are illustrative of varying options for investment of the Section 108 Loan Guarantee funds, enabling an evaluation of the full range

of potential environmental impacts in the EIR/EIS. Development plans for the final selected project alternative will represent infrastructure facilities to be constructed and address related growth inducing effects which fall within the range of impacts identified within the EIR/EIS alternatives.

### Alternatives

*Alternative 1* would provide for extension of water and sewer trunk lines within Indiana Street and Teapot Dome Avenue connecting the existing City water and sewer infrastructure system with industrial designated lands along Teapot Dome Avenue and within the easterly sector of the Porterville Municipal Airport. *Alternative 1* would also include development of a new highway interchange at the intersection of State Highway 65 and Teapot Dome Avenue. Approximately 200 acres of vacant and agricultural land currently designated by the City General Plan for future industrial development would ultimately be converted to urbanized use under *Alternative 1*.

*Alternative 2* would provide for extension of water trunk lines within South Newcomb Street from River Avenue south across the Tule River to a point just south of the intersection of South Newcomb Street and State Highway 190. *Alternative 2* would also provide for the construction of South Newcomb Street to arterial width from Heritage Avenue south across the Tule River, inclusive of construction of a bridge across the river, to a point just south of the intersection of South Newcomb Street and State Highway 190. Street improvements would include curb, gutter, sidewalk, and streetlights. Approximately 200 acres of vacant land currently designated by the City General Plan for low-density residential uses would be ultimately converted to Industrial/Commercial Uses under *Alternative 2*.

*Alternative 3* would provide for extension of sewer and trunk lines from Indiana Street north of Gibbons Avenue to the intersection of Indiana Street and Scranton Avenue then west along Scranton Avenue across State Highway 65 to the intersection of Scranton Avenue and South Newcomb Street. Construction of State Highway on and off ramps at the intersection of State Highway 65 and Scranton Avenue would also be provided by *Alternative 3*. Approximately 300 acres of vacant land designated for highway commercial uses and 200 acres of primarily vacant land designated for industrial uses would ultimately be converted to urbanized uses under *Alternative 3*.