

flexibility concerning the amount of living allowances provided to AmeriCorps members. This recommendation suggests a misunderstanding of the Corporation's intent. The current language does not require programs to pay the lowest living allowance. It only encourages it. The Corporation has emphasized this in the final grant application guidelines, but continues to encourage programs to offer the minimum statutorily permitted living allowances—not more than the average annual subsistence allowance provided to VISTAs.

H. Corporation Cost per Member

All responders addressed this issue in their recommendations. Some indicated that lowering the allowable cost per Member would have a negative impact on program quality and the Corporation should take varying local conditions and program designs into account and allow for some flexibility. Others felt the reduction in Member costs is within reason, but wanted some clarification concerning what was included in the calculation.

The Corporation cannot increase the limit on the Corporation share of the cost per Member, but it does provide flexibility to applicants by allowing them to meet the target as an average across all programs within the application rather than as an absolute number for each program. For example, a single State must meet the Corporation's required maximum cost per member as its average cost per member in that State. In addition, the Corporation only limits the cost per member of the Corporation share. Programs are free to have a higher cost per member so long as it comes from a funding source other than the Corporation. The Corporation also delineated in the grant application guidelines all items included in the calculation of cost per Member.

I. Timelines

Only one responder requested that the deadlines for grant applications be extended. Other responders expressed appreciation that the Corporation is providing more time between grant application deadlines and actual program start-up. One responder asked that the grant application deadlines remain the same, but that the Corporation make final decisions at least two months before programs are expected to begin.

The Corporation cannot change the grant application deadlines and still meet a reasonable timeline for final decisions. Therefore, the grant application deadlines will remain as

published in the Federal Register and reflected in this notice. Currently, the Corporation does notify potential grantees of decisions at least two months before programs are expected to begin. However, the actual grant award letters may not reach the grantee two months ahead of start dates.

J. Application Evaluation and Selection of New Programs

The Corporation received several comments concerning the "ability to monitor" section of the review criteria. Several felt that the Corporation needed to reexamine its assessment that individual placements are "hard to monitor" and suggested that the "ability to monitor" criterion be dropped from the application review criteria. In addition, one responder recommended that the Corporation base its peer review criteria on results rather than systems.

The Corporation considered these comments and their bases and decided not to eliminate the "ability to monitor" criterion, and to add language in the grant application guidelines asking applicants with individual placements to describe what they will do to ensure that they would be able to monitor their sites effectively despite their geographically-dispersed locations.

The Corporation has not changed its overall review criteria because those criteria do place a heavy emphasis on results. Currently, the Corporation's review criteria base 65 percent of the evaluation on results related to getting things done, strengthening communities and developing Members, and the ability of the program to evaluate those results.

K. Miscellaneous

The Corporation also received other comments requesting some clarification on how the selection criteria will be applied and whether or not organizations that have already received funding will be eligible to apply. Additional language was added to indicate that organizations that have already received three years of funding from the Corporation are eligible to apply but will be competed as new applicants rather than renewal applicants. The Corporation also added language that distinguishes the Corporation's request for individual programs to focus on fewer priority areas from the Corporation's need to ensure that we select programs that meet priorities in all four issue areas within the overall group of selected programs. The language states that, while we encourage individual programs to focus on an issue area, the Corporation will ensure that it has

diversity among priorities across the programs that it funds.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army

Army Education Advisory Committee

AGENCY: U.S. Army War College.

ACTION: Notice of Meeting.

SUMMARY: In accordance with Section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (P.L. 92-463), announcement is made of the following committee meeting:

Name of Committee: U.S. Army War College Subcommittee of the Army Education Advisory Committee.

Date of Meeting: April 7, 8, and 9, 1997.

Place: Root Hall, U.S. Army War College, Carlisle Barracks, Pennsylvania.

Time: 8:30 A.M.-5:00 P.M.

Proposed Agenda: Receive information briefings, view facilities, observe classes, conduct discussions with faculty and students, and provide guidance concerning accreditation and areas for improvement.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Colonel Terry J. Young, Box 118, U.S. Army War College, Carlisle Barracks, PA 17013 or phone (717) 245-3907.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This meeting is open to the public. Any interested person may attend, appear before, or file statements with the committee after receiving advance approval for participation. To request advance approval or obtain further information, contact Colonel Terry J. Young at the above address or phone number.

Gregory D. Showalter,

Army Federal Register Liaison Officer.

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CGSC Advisory Committee

AGENCY: U.S. Army Command and General Staff College.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: In accordance with Section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (P.L. 92-463), announcement is made of the following committee meeting:

Name of Meeting: U.S. Army Command and General Staff College (CGSC) Advisory Committee.

Dates of Meeting: 30 April–2 May 1997.

Place: Bell Hall, Room 113, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas 66027–1352.

Time: 1700–2200, 30 April 1997; 0730–2100, 1 May 1997; 0730–2100, 2 May 1997.

Proposed Agenda:

1700–2200, 30 April: Review of CGSC educational program.

0730–2100, 1 May: Continuation of review.

0730–1030, 2 May: Continuation of review.

1030–1130, 2 May: Executive Session.

1300–1400, 2 May: Report of Commandant.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Philip J. Brookes, USACGSC Advisory Committee, One Reynolds Ave., Bell Hall, Room 123, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas 66027–1352; Phone (913) 684–2741.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The purpose of the meeting is for the Advisory Committee to examine the entire range of college operations and, where appropriate, to provide advice and recommendations to the College Commandant and faculty.

The meeting will be open to the public to the extent that space limitations of the meeting location permit. Because of these limitations, interested parties are requested to reserve space by contacting the Committee's Executive Secretary: Philip J. Brookes at the above address or phone number.

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Army Federal Register Liaison Officer.

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Corps of Engineers

Intent To Prepare a Draft Environmental Impact Statement for Cherry Creek Dam Safety Evaluation Denver, Colorado

AGENCY: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, DOD.

ACTION: Notice of intent.

SUMMARY: Cherry Creek Dam was constructed in the 1940's by the Corps of Engineers primarily to provide flood control for the City of Denver. Although the project became operational in 1950, the facility was operated without a permanent pool until 1958. The State of Colorado, through its Department of Parks and Outdoor Recreation, operates the project as Cherry Creek State Park.

A 1993 reconnaissance-level report by the Corps revealed that the dam does not meet the level of safety currently required for such a project when located upstream from a major metropolitan area. The proposed action is to provide increased flood storage capacity, an increase in emergency spillway capacity, or a combination of the two, so as to bring the project up to current dam safety guidelines/requirements.

In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and implementing regulations, an environmental impact statement will be prepared to analyze the impacts of the proposed action and alternatives. Public scoping meetings have been scheduled to solicit comments regarding the scope of the environmental studies.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Questions about the proposed action and Environmental Impact Statement should be directed to: Ms. Candace M. Thomas, Chief, Environmental Analysis Branch, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, 215 North 17th Street, Omaha, Nebraska 68102–4978; telephone (402) 221–4598, FAX (402) 221–4886.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: A selected plan has yet to be defined. A number of possible alternatives were identified in the 1993 report; it is planned to refine the number of alternatives in the current study. The alternatives most likely to be studied in detail in the EIS are as follows:

- No Federal Action.
- A dam rise.
- A supplemental spillway.
- A combination of dam raise and addition of a supplemental spillway.
- Supplemental upstream storage.
- Other, partial solutions such as closing the existing spillway and/or changes to the existing outlet works capacity.

An afternoon public open house and evening scoping meeting have been scheduled for March 4, 1997 at 2:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. respectively at the Holiday Inn Denver Southwest, 3200 South Parker Road, Aurora, Colorado. The purpose of these meetings is to solicit input on issues, alternatives to be evaluated, and potential environmental effects. Written comments will also be solicited.

Potential significant environmental issues include possible impacts to threatened and endangered species, wetlands, upstream areas of special biological significance, and social and economic impacts to upstream and downstream residences and businesses.

Other applicable and pertinent environmental review and consultation requirements will be undertaken

simultaneously with the NEPA process, including requirements of the Endangered Species Act, Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act, National Historic Preservation Act, Clear Water Act, Clear Air Act, and others.

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DELAWARE RIVER BASIN COMMISSION

Notice of Commission Meeting and Public Hearing

Notice is hereby given that the Delaware River Basin Commission will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, February 26, 1997. The hearing will be part of the Commission's regular business meeting which is open to the public and scheduled to begin at 2:00 p.m. in the Goddard Conference Room of the Commission's offices at 25 State Police Drive, West Trenton, New Jersey.

An informal conference among the Commissioners and staff will be held at 11:00 a.m. at the same location and will include a presentation on the Christina River Basin point and nonpoint study; a demonstration on the New Castle County GIS program; discussion of proposed amendments to the Southeastern Pennsylvania Ground Water Protected Area Regulations and a review of Basin States' policies on discharges to intermittent streams.

In addition to the subjects listed below which are scheduled for public hearing at the business meeting, the Commission will also address the following matters: Minutes of the January 22, 1997 business meeting; announcements; General Counsel's report; report on Basin hydrologic conditions, a resolution concerning funding in connection with the Christina Basin study and public dialogue.

The subjects of the hearing will be as follows:

Applications for Approval of the Following Projects Pursuant to Article 10.3, Article 11 and/or Section 3.8 of the Compact:

1. New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) D–77–20 CP (Revision No. 3). An application to add the schedule of experimental augmented conservation releases for Cannonsville Reservoir to the current experimental augmented conservation release program of the Pepacton and Neversink Reservoirs. Along with the Cannonsville Reservoir program, the applicant requests an