

relocation of the existing Job Corps Center to this new site is not expected to increase demand for space at the Trail Ridge Landfill.

JEA provides electrical service to the project site. Natural gas is provided by Florida Gas Transmission Company, and telephone service is provided by BellSouth. All of these utilities have distribution lines in the vicinity which have sufficient capacity to handle the increased service demand created by the new Job Corps Center. The increased demand for utility services is not expected to have a significant adverse effect on the environment.

Walgreen Road leads directly to the proposed project site but not onto the subject property. Walgreen Road connects to Golfair Road, to the south, which leads to several other main thoroughfares within the City of Jacksonville and is part of the Jacksonville Transit Authority route. These services can be used to access all aspects of the greater Jacksonville area. Roadways will need to be constructed on the new Job Corps Center project site, but no significant adverse effects are expected.

No significant adverse affects should be felt by the local medical, emergency, fire and police facilities. There are several primary providers of medical services in the Jacksonville area. The primary medical provider located closest to the subject property is the Methodist Medical Center. There are also private medical facilities located in the Jacksonville area. The Job Corps Center will also have a small medical and dental facility on-site for use by the residents as necessary.

Security services at the Jacksonville Job Corps will be provided by the center's staff, with two personnel on the day shift, three on evening shift, and two on the night shift. It is not anticipated that the Job Corps Center will need additional security support from the community. Police services are provided by the Jacksonville Police Department, the Duval County Sheriff's Office, and the Florida State Police. The Jacksonville Police substation serving the proposed subject property is the Zone 1, Substation Norwood, which is located at the Gateway Shopping Plaza. No police services will be adversely impacted by proposed Job Corps Center.

The City of Jacksonville will provide fire and emergency response to the project site. The closest station to the project site is Station # 2 located at 4th and North Main Street, which is approximately four blocks from the project site. Backup assistance will be from the Station # 1 at 611 Liberty Street. The Jacksonville Fire Department

is a paid, professional fire-fighting organization providing 24-hour service. In addition, the Jacksonville area utilizes the 911 emergency call system for all emergencies, including fire and police. All fire and emergency services in the area are adequate for the project.

The proposed project population will not have a significant adverse sociological effect on the City of Jacksonville community. This area is characterized by a fairly diverse ethnicity, and offers numerous educational and recreational opportunities. Similarly, the proposed project will not have a significant adverse affect on demographic and socioeconomic characteristics of the area.

The alternatives considered in the preparation of this FONSI were as follows: (1) No Action; (2) Construction at an Alternate Site; and (3) Continue Construction as Proposed. The "No Action" alternative was not selected. The current Jacksonville Job Corps Center is located in a run-down facility that is inadequate to meet the educational, residential, and recreational needs of the staff, faculty, and students at the Center. The "Alternate Site" alternative was not selected. The Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration solicited proposals for relocation properties on February 8, 1998, and received proposals for five properties in Jacksonville, Florida. Of the five proposed sites evaluated by the Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration, only the subject property on Walgreen Road was determined to be suitable for construction of a Job Corps Center.

Due to the inadequate facilities currently occupied by the Jacksonville Job Corps Center, the lack of alternative construction sites, and the absence of any identified adverse environmental impacts from locating a Job Corps Center at the subject property, the "Continue Construction as Proposed" alternative was selected.

Based on the information gathered during the preparation of the EA, no environmental liabilities, current or historical, were found to exist on the proposed Job Corps Center site. The planned construction of a Job Corps Center on the undeveloped parcel located off of Walgreen Road in Jacksonville, Florida, will not create any significant adverse impacts on the environment.

Dated at Washington, DC, this 6th day of April, 1999.

Mary Silva,

Director of Job Corps.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Occupational Safety and Health Administration

Oregon State Standards; Notice of Approval

1. Background.

Part 1953 of Title 29, Code of Federal Regulations, prescribes procedures under Section 18 of the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 (hereinafter called the Act) by which the Regional Administrator for Occupational Safety and Health (hereinafter called Regional Administrator) under a delegation of authority from the Assistant Secretary of Labor for Occupational Safety and Health (hereinafter called the Assistant Secretary (29 CFR 1953.4) will review and approve standards promulgated pursuant to a State plan which has been approved in accordance with Section 18(c) of the Act and 29 CFR Part 1902. On December 28, 1972, notice was published in the **Federal Register** (37 FR 28628) of the approval of the Oregon plan and the adoption of Subpart D to Part 1952 containing the decision.

The Oregon plan provides for adoption of State standards which are at least as effective as comparable Federal standards promulgated under Section 6 of the Act. Section 1953.20 provides that where any alteration in the Federal program could have an adverse impact on the at least as effective as status of the State program, a program change supplement to a State plan shall be required. The Oregon plan also provides for the adoption of Federal standards as State standards by reference.

The state submitted by letter dated September 13, 1989, from John A. Pompei, Administrator, to James W. Lake, Regional Administrator, and incorporated as part of the plan, State standard amendments comparable to 29 CFR 1926, Safety and Health Regulations for Construction, as published in the **Federal Register** (36 FR 75) on April 17, 1971. The Oregon Safety and Health Regulations for Construction are contained in OAR Division 3. The regulations were re-adopted by reference, but included a large number of State-initiated rules adopted in addition or in lieu of specific rules in 1926. The new Construction

rules became effective July 7, 1989 under Oregon Administrative Order 8-1989. Included were State-initiated amendments concerning fall protection and traffic control (Administrative Order 2-1989). On April 26, 1989, the State mailed the proposed amendment of rules to those on the Department of Insurance and Finance mailing list established pursuant to OAR 436-01-000 and to those on the Department's distribution list as their interest appeared. On June 15, 1994, the submittal was returned to the State for clarification of some issues and corrections of others. On October 29, 1996, the State submitted an explanation of the issues and its plan for making the necessary corrections. Since the corrections were minor and did not require an administrative order, they were made when the standards were reprinted. The final corrections were made in 1998.

On its own initiative, the State of Oregon has submitted by letter dated March 25, 1991, from John A. Pompei, Administrator, to James W. Lake, Regional Administrator, and incorporated as part of the plan, adoption of an Oregon-initiated rule, OAR 437-03-093, which makes the Motor Vehicle standard 1926.601 applicable to all construction job sites with no exceptions. The amendment was adopted March 18, 1991, effective April 15, 1991, under Administrative Order 5-1991.

On its own initiative, the State of Oregon has submitted by letter dated May 10, 1994, from John A. Pompei, Administrator, to James W. Lake, Regional Administrator, a repeal of OAR 437-050, 055 and 060 because they duplicate the requirements contained in 29 CFR 1926, Subpart X, Ladders. These standards originally received Federal Register approval (42 FR 62554) on December 13, 1977. At the same time Oregon also submitted a State-initiated amendment to its construction standards at OAR 437-03-020(1) to raise the minimum estimated cost of construction projects requiring flush toilet facilities from \$500,000 to \$1,000,000. The State standard amendments were adopted and effective April 27, 1994, under Administrative Order 1-1994.

In response to Federal standard changes, the State of Oregon has submitted by letter dated June 13, 1997, from Peter De Luca, Administrator, to Richard Terrill, Acting Regional Administrator, and incorporated as part of the plan, State standards comparable to 29 CFR 1926.57(f), (g), (h) and (i), 1926.103(d), (e), (f), (g), (h) and (i), 1926.416(a)(4), (f), (g) and 1926.417(d)

contained in the incorporation of General Industry Safety and Health Standards Applicable to Construction Work and Technical Amendments, as published in the **Federal Register** (58 FR 35099) on June 30, 1993; and State standards comparable to the changes contained in the **Federal Register** (61 FR 9230) as published on March 7, 1996, Miscellaneous Minor and Technical Amendments, except minor and technical amendments to the following sections were not adopted: 29 CFR 1910.142(c)(4), 1910.142(i)(1), 1910.153, 1910.261(a)(3), 1910.261(a)(4), 1910.261(n), 1910.266(d)(3)(iv), 1910.266(e)(2)(i), 1910.266(f)(3)(ii), 1910.266(f)(3)(iii), 1910.266(f)(3)(iv), 1910.266(f)(4), 1910.266(f)(5)(i), 1910.268(f)(1), 1926.33(c)(13)(i), 1926.103(a)(2), 1926.1103, 13 Carcinogens and the associated deletions to 1926.1104 and .1106 through .1116, 1928.21(a)(6), 1928.51(b)(1), 1928.52, 1928.53, Appendix B to Subpart C and 1928.1027; and State standards comparable to the changes to 29 CFR 1910 and 1915, changes to Subpart C and D to 29 CFR 1926 and changes to the Cadmium standard contained in 1926.1127 as published in the **Federal Register** (61 FR 31427) on June 20, 1996, Consolidation of Repetitive Provisions; Technical Amendments. These changes were adopted and became effective on April 2, 1997, under Administrative Order 4-1997.

In response to Federal standard changes, the State has submitted by letter dated June 13, 1997, from Peter De Luca, Administrator, to Richard Terrill, Acting Regional Administrator, and incorporated as part of the plan, State standards identical to 29 CFR 1926.450 through .454, Safety Standards for Scaffolds Used in the Construction Industry as published in the **Federal Register** (61 FR 46051) on August 30, 1996, and corrections and partial stay published in the **Federal Register** (61 FR 59831) on November 25, 1996. In addition to adopting the federal standard, the state adopted three state initiated standards and added a note to clarify one standard. The state initiated standards require the employer to have the manufacturer's operating manual with manually propelled elevating aerial platforms, boom supported elevating work platforms and scissor lifts and that they follow all operating and maintenance instructions. The state rules were adopted and became effective on March 12, 1997, under Administrative Order 2-1997.

2. Decision

OSHA has determined that the State standards for Scaffolds in Construction, General Industry Standards Applicable to Construction Work and Technical Amendments, Miscellaneous Minor and Technical Amendments, and Consolidation of Repetitive Provisions (Technical Amendments) are at least as effective as the comparable Federal standards as required by Section 18(c)(2) of the Act. OSHA has also determined that the differences between the State and Federal standards are minimal and that the standards are thus substantially identical. OSHA has also determined that the State standards for Construction, Motor Vehicles, and repeal of duplicative Ladder standards are at least as effective as the comparable Federal standards, as required by Section 18(c)(2) of the Act. The re-adopted Construction standards have been in effect since July 7, 1989, the Motor Vehicle standard has been in effect since April 15, 1991, and the repeal of the Ladder standards and amendment of construction standards regarding flush toilet facilities have been in effect since April 27, 1994. During this time OSHA has received no indication of significant objection to the State's different standards either as to their effectiveness in comparison to the Federal standards or as to their conformance with the product clause requirements or Section 18(c)(2) of the Act. (A different state standard applicable to a product which is distributed or used in interstate commerce but be required by compelling local conditions and not unduly burden interstate commerce). OSHA approves all of the standards. However, the right to reconsider this approval is reserved should substantial objections be submitted to the Assistant Secretary. The state standards were adopted pursuant to ORS 654.025(2), ORS 656.726(3) and ORS 183.335.

3. Location of Supplement for Inspection and Copying

A copy of the standards, along with the approved plan, may be inspected and copied during normal business hours at the following locations: Office of the Regional Administrator, Occupational Safety and Health Administration, 1111 Third Avenue, Suite 715, Seattle, Washington 98101-3212; Oregon Occupational Safety and Health Division, Department of Consumer and Business Services, Salem, Oregon 97310; and the Office of State Programs, Occupational Safety and Health Administration, Room N-3476, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW,

Washington, D.C. 20210. An electronic copy of this **Federal Register** notice may be obtained from the OSHA home page, <http://www.osha.gov>. Click on **Federal Register** under the Regulation section.

4. Public Participation

Under 29 CFR 1953.2(c), the Assistant Secretary may prescribe alternative procedures to expedite the review process or for other good cause which may be consistent with applicable laws. The Assistant Secretary finds that good cause exists for not publishing the supplement to the Oregon State Plan as a proposed change and making the Regional Administrator's approval effective upon publication for the following reasons:

1. The standard amendments are as effective as the federal standards which were promulgated in accordance with federal law including meeting requirements for public participation.

2. The standard amendments were adopted in accordance with the procedural requirements of State law and further public participation would be repetitious.

This decision is effective April 12, 1999.

(Sec. 18, Pub. L. 91-596, 84 Stat. 6108 [29 U.S.C. 667]).

Signed at Seattle, Washington, this 16th day of October 1998.

Richard S. Terrill,

Acting Regional Administrator.

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MEDICARE PAYMENT ADVISORY COMMISSION

Commission Meeting

AGENCY: Medicare Payment Advisory Commission.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Commission will hold its next public meeting on Thursday, April 29, 1999 and Friday, April 30, 1999 at the Embassy Suites Hotel, 1250 22nd Street, NW, Washington, DC. The meeting is tentatively scheduled to begin at 9:45 a.m. on April 29, and at 9:00 a.m. on April 30.

The Commission will discuss managed care for the frail elderly, quality assurance in the traditional medicare program, care for beneficiaries with end-stage renal disease, care at the end of life, health care errors, consumer choice, access to care, access to home health services, payment for graduate medical education, payment for physician services, and beneficiary financial liability.

Agendas will be mailed on April 9, 1999. The final agenda will be available on the Commission's web site (www.MedPCA.gov).

ADDRESSES: MedPAC's address is: 1730 K Street, NW, Suite 800, Washington, DC 20006. The telephone number is (202) 653-7220.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Diane Ellison, Office Manager, (202) 653-7220.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: If you are not on the Commission mailing list and wish to receive an agenda, please call (202) 653-7220.

Murray N. Ross,

Executive Director.

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NATIONAL COUNCIL ON DISABILITY

Advisory Committee Conference Call

AGENCY: National Council on Disability (NCD).

SUMMARY: This notice sets forth the schedule of the forthcoming conference call for NCD's advisory committee—International Watch. Notice of this meeting is required under Section 10(a)(1)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (P.L. 92-463).

INTERNATIONAL WATCH: The purpose of NCD's International Watch is to share information on international disability issues and to advise NCD's International Committee on developing policy proposals that will advocate for a foreign policy that is consistent with the values and goals of the Americans with Disabilities Act.

DATE: May 19, 1999, 12:00 noon-1:00 p.m. edt.

FOR INTERNATIONAL WATCH INFORMATION, CONTACT: Lois T. Keck, Ph.D., Research Specialist, National Council on Disability, 1331 F Street NW., Suite 1050, Washington, DC 20004; 202-272-2004 (Voice), 202-272-2074 (TTY), 202-272-2022 (Fax), lkeck@ncd.gov (e-mail).

AGENCY MISSION: The National Council on Disability is an independent federal agency composed of 15 members appointed by the President of the United States and confirmed by the U.S. Senate. Its overall purpose is to promote policies, programs, practices, and procedures that guarantee equal opportunity for all people with disabilities, regardless of the nature of severity of the disability; and to empower people with disabilities to achieve economic self-sufficiency, independent living, and inclusion and integration into all aspects of society.

This committee is necessary to provide advice and recommendations to NCD on international disability issues.

We currently have balanced membership representing a variety of disabling conditions from across the United States.

OPEN CONFERENCE CALLS: These advisory committee conference calls of the National Council on Disability will be open to the public. However, due to fiscal constraints and staff limitations, a limited number of additional lines will be available. Individuals can also participate in the conference calls at the NCD office. Those interested in joining these conference calls should contact the appropriate staff member listed above.

Records will be kept of all International Watch conference calls and will be available after the meeting for public inspection at the National Council on Disability.

Signed in Washington, DC, on March 31, 1999.

Ethel D. Briggs,

Executive Director.

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NATIONAL CREDIT UNION ADMINISTRATION

Sunshine Act Meetings

TIME AND DATE: 10:00 a.m., Thursday, April 15, 1999.

PLACE: Board Room, 7th Floor, Room 7047, 1775 Duke Street, Alexandria, Virginia 22314-3428.

STATUS: Open.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:

1. Request from a Federal Credit Union to Convert to a Community Charter.

2. Final Rule: Amendment to Part 701, NCUA's Rules and Regulations, Charitable Donations.

3. Interim Final Rule: Amendments to Part 745, NCUA's Rules and Regulations, Share Insurance.

RECESS: 11:15 a.m.

TIME AND DATE: 11:30 a.m., Thursday, April 15, 1999.

PLACE: Board Room, 7th Floor, Room 7047, 1775 Duke Street, Alexandria, Virginia 22314-3428.

STATUS: Closed.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:

1. Administrative Action under Section 107 of the Federal Credit Union Act and Part 701 of NCUA's Rules and Regulations. Closed pursuant to exemption (8).

2. Administrative Action under Section 206 of the Federal Credit Union