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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Office of the Secretary

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Notice of Designation of Empowerment Zones and Enterprise Communities

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, USDA.
ACTION: Notice of designation of Empowerment Zones and Enterprise Communities.

SUMMARY: On January 18, 1994 USDA published an interim rule that implemented that portion of subchapter C, part I (Empowerment Zones, Enterprise Communities and Rural Development Investment Areas) of Title XIII of the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1993 dealing with the designation of Rural Empowerment Zones and Enterprise Communities. On January 18, 1994 USDA also published

a notice inviting applications for designation of Empowerment Zones and Enterprise Communities.

This notice announces the jurisdictions that were designated Rural Empowerment Zones and Enterprise Communities by USDA.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dayton Watkins, Acting Administrator, Rural Business and Cooperative Development Service ("RBCDS"), U.S. Department of Agriculture, 14th Street & Independence Avenue, S.W., Rm. 5045 South Agriculture Building, Washington, DC 20250, or telephone (202) 720-6165.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On January 18, 1994 USDA published an interim rule that implemented that portion of subchapter C, part I (Empowerment Zones, Enterprise Communities and Rural Development Investment Areas) of Title XIII of the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1993 ("Title XIII") which addresses the designation of Rural Empowerment Zones and Enterprise Communities (59 FR 2686 (1994)). This interim rule was made final on February 6, 1995 (60 FR 6945 (1995)).

Title XIII also provides for the designation of Urban Empowerment Zones and Enterprise Communities. As noted in the January 18, 1994 interim

rule, the rural part of the program is administered by USDA as a Federal-State-local and private-sector partnership. The urban part of the program is administered by the Department of Housing and Urban Development ("HUD"), which also published an interim rule on January 18, 1994 (59 FR 2700 (1994)).

On January 18, 1994 USDA also published a notice inviting applications from States and local governments nominating rural areas for designation as Empowerment Zones and Enterprise Communities (59 FR 2696 (1994)). The January 18, 1994 notice provided for an application deadline of June 30, 1994. On December 21, 1994 President William J. Clinton announced the rural areas that were designated by USDA and the urban areas that were designated by HUD as Empowerment Zones and Enterprise Communities.

Publication in the **Federal Register** of this Notice announcing nominated areas that were designated either as Empowerment Zones or Enterprise Communities (Appendix A), fulfills the requirement, set forth in the January 18, 1994 interim rule (59 FR 2686 (1994)), that designations published.

Dated: April 27, 1995.

Dan Glickman,
Secretary.

APPENDIX A.—USDA'S RURAL EMPOWERMENT ZONES AND ENTERPRISES COMMUNITIES

Name	State	Counties
Empowerment Zones		
Kentucky Highlands EZ	KY	Clinton, Jackson, Wayne.
Mid-Delta EZ	MS	Bolivar, Sunflower, Leflore, Washington, Humphreys, Holmes.
Rio Grande Valley Empowerment Zone	TX	Cameron, Hidalgo, Starr, Willacy.
Enterprise Communities		
Chambers County EC	AL	Chambers.
Greene & Sumter Counties Rural EC	AL	Greene, Sumter.
East Central Arkansas EC	AR	Cross, Lee, Monroe, St. Francis.
Mississippi County EC	AR	Mississippi.
Arizona Border Region EC	AZ	Cochise, Yuma, Santa Cruz.
Imperial County EC	CA	Imperial.
City of Watsonville/County of Santa Cruz EC	CA	Santa Cruz.
Jackson County, Florida EC	FL	Jackson.
Crisp/Dooly EC	GA	Crisp, Dooly.
Central Savannah River Area EC	GA	Burke, Hancock, Jefferson, McDuffie, Taliaferro, Warren.
Northeast Louisiana Delta EC	LA	Madison.
Macon Ridge EC	LA	Catahoula, Concordia, Franklin, Morehouse, Tensas.
Lake County EC	MI	Lake.
City of East Prairie, Mississippi County, MO EC	MO	Mississippi.
North Delta Mississippi EC	MS	Panola, Quitman, Tallahatchie.
Halifax/Edgecombe/Wilson EC	NC	Halifax, Edgecombe, Wilson.
Robeson County EC	NC	Robeson.