

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the State of Washington is revising its approved State Public Water Supply Supervision Primacy Program. Washington has adopted drinking water regulations for certain inorganic, volatile organic and synthetic organic chemicals, collectively known as the Phase II and Phase V contaminants, and for lead and copper. EPA has determined that these State program revisions are no less stringent than the corresponding Federal regulations. Therefore, EPA has tentatively decided to approve these State program revisions. By approving Washington's Phase II/V Contaminants Rule and its Lead and Copper Rule, EPA does not intend to affect the rights of Federally recognized Indian tribes within "Indian Country," as defined in 18 U.S.C. 1151, nor does it intend to limit existing rights of the State of Washington.

All interested parties may request a public hearing. A request for public hearing must be submitted by March 23, 1995 to the Regional Administrator at the address shown below. Frivolous or insubstantial requests for a hearing may be denied by the Regional Administrator. However, if a substantial request for a public hearing is made by March 23, 1995, a public hearing will be held. If no timely and appropriate request for a hearing is received and the Regional Administrator does not elect to hold a hearing on his own motion, this determination shall become final and effective on March 23, 1995.

Any request for a public hearing shall include the following: (1) The name, address, and telephone number of the individual, organization, or other entity requesting a hearing; (2) a brief statement of the requesting person's interest in the Regional Administrator's determination and of information that the requesting person intends to submit at such hearing; and (3) the signature of the individual making the request; or, if the request is made on behalf of an organization or other entity, the signature of a responsible official of the organization or other entity.

ADDRESSES: All documents relating to this determination are available for inspection between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, at the following offices:

Department of Health (DOH), Division of Drinking Water, Airstream Center, Building #3, Olympia, Washington
DOH Northwest Regional Office, 1511 Third Avenue, #719, Seattle, Washington
DOH Eastern Regional Office, West 924 Sinto Avenue, Spokane, Washington

Environmental Protection Agency,
Region 10 Library 1200 Sixth Avenue,
Seattle, Washington

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Wendy Marshall, EPA, Region 10, Ground Water and Drinking Water Branch, at the EPA address given above, telephone (206) 553-1890.

Dated: December 15, 1994.

Gerald A. Emison,

Acting Regional Administrator.

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Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA) Section 104, Announcement of Extension of Application Deadline for the Competition for Brownfields Economic Redevelopment Initiative Pilots

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency.

ACTION: Notice to extend application period.

SUMMARY: The Environmental Protection Agency will accept proposals for Brownfields Economic Redevelopment Pilots beginning immediately. The application period which was to close March 1, 1995, has been extended to close April 17, 1995. For those applications received by March 1, 1995, the Agency intends to competitively select five Pilots by May 17, 1995. For those applications received by April 17, 1995—combined with those applications received by March 1, 1995 but not selected for the May 17, 1995 awards—the Agency intends to competitively select ten Pilots by July 21, 1995.

DATES: This action is effective as of December 1, 1994, and expires on April 17, 1995. All proposals must be received and/or post marked by the expiration date cited above.

ADDRESSES: Applications booklets can be obtained by calling the Superfund Hotline at 800-424-9346, or writing to: U.S. EPA—Brownfields Application, Superfund Document Center 5201G, 401 M Street, SW., Washington, DC 20460.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: The Superfund Hotline, 800-424-9346.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: EPA's Brownfields Initiative is an organized commitment to help communities revitalize abandoned contaminated properties, and to thereby eliminate potential health risks and restore economic vitality to areas where these properties exist.

The objectives of the initiative are: to build the capacity of affected and interested parties to shape how contaminated sites are cleaned up and productively reused; to stimulate a national search for innovative ways to overcome the current obstacles to the reuse of contaminated properties; and to coalesce federal, state, and municipal efforts to examine new approaches to achieving cleanup and reuse; and to explore the potential for combining an economic stimulus and a speeded-up environmental cleanup to contribute to achieving environment justice.

EPA's Brownfields Pilots (to be funded up to \$200,000 each over two years) will test redevelopment models, direct special efforts toward removing regulatory barriers without sacrificing protectiveness, and facilitate coordinated efforts at the federal, state, and local levels. EPA will develop a coordinated federal strategy to help initiate a significant national effort to clean up and redevelop brownfields. Three national pilot projects already have been awarded.

Cities, counties, towns, states, and Native American tribes are all eligible to apply.

The Brownfields Economic Redevelopment Initiative is founded on the belief that "economic development and environmental protection must go hand in hand," (Carol Browner, Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, Announcing the Cleveland Brownfields Pilot on November 8, 1993.)

Proposals will be evaluated on the following Criteria (a more detailed and complete set of criteria will be included in the application booklet):

- Demonstrated commitment of public and private leadership to brownfields redevelopment.
 - Plans for effective community involvement.
- Clear delineation of how federal support will make a difference.
- Potential for national replication.
 - Government support and technical, legal, and political capacity to complete goals.
 - Clearly outlined potential sources of cleanup funding.
 - Contributions to environmental justice goals.
 - Well-defined approach to environmental assessment.

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