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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Indian Affairs

Notice of Deadline for Submitting Completed Applications To Begin Participation in the Tribal Self-Governance Program in Fiscal Year 2011 or Calendar Year 2011

AGENCY: Office of Self-Governance, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Application Deadline.

SUMMARY: In this notice, the Office of Self-Governance (OSG) establishes a March 1, 2010, deadline for Indian tribes/consortia to submit completed applications to begin participation in the tribal self-governance program in fiscal year 2011 or calendar year 2011.

DATES: Completed application packages must be received by the Director, Office of Self-Governance, by March 1, 2010.

ADDRESSES: Application packages for inclusion in the applicant pool should be sent to Sharee M. Freeman, Director, Office of Self-Governance, Department of the Interior, Mail Stop 355-G-SIB, 1951 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20240.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Kenneth D. Reinfeld, Office of Self-Governance, Telephone 202-208-5734.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the Tribal Self-Governance Act of 1994 (Pub. L. 103-413), as amended by the Fiscal Year 1997 Omnibus Appropriations Bill (Pub. L. 104-208), the Director, Office of Self-Governance may select up to 50 additional participating tribes/consortia per year for the tribal self-governance program, and negotiate and enter into a written funding agreement with each participating tribe. The Act mandates that the Secretary submit copies of the funding agreements at least 90 days before the proposed effective date to the appropriate committees of the Congress and to each tribe that is served by the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) agency that is serving the tribe that is a party to the funding agreement. Initial negotiations with a tribe/consortium located in a region and/or agency which has not previously been involved with self-governance negotiations, will take approximately 2 months from start to finish. Agreements for an October 1 to September 30 funding year need to be

signed and submitted by July 1. Agreements for a January 1 to December 31 funding year need to be signed and submitted by October 1.

Purpose of Notice

25 CFR sections 1000.10 to 1000.31 will be used to govern the application and selection process for tribes/consortia to begin their participation in the tribal self-governance program in fiscal year 2011 and calendar year 2011. Applicants should be guided by the requirements in these subparts in preparing their applications. Copies of these subparts may be obtained from the information contact person identified in this notice.

Tribes/consortia wishing to be considered for participation in the tribal self-governance program in fiscal year 2011 or calendar year 2011 must respond to this notice, except for those tribes/consortia which are: (1) Currently involved in negotiations with the Department; (2) one of the 99 tribal entities with signed agreements; or (3) one of the tribal entities already included in the applicant pool as of the date of this notice.

Information Collection

This information collection is authorized by OMB Control Number 1076-0143, Tribal Self-Governance Program, which expires November 30, 2009. A request for renewal was submitted to OMB on August 26, 2009.

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Larry Echo Hawk,

Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

Draft General Management Plan and Environmental Impact Statement, Roosevelt-Vanderbilt National Historic Sites, Hyde Park, NY

AGENCY: National Park Service, Department of the Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Availability of the Draft General Management Plan and Environmental Impact Statement for Roosevelt-Vanderbilt National Historic Sites, Hyde Park, New York.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to section 102(2)(C) of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended, the National Park Service announces the availability of the Draft General Management Plan and Environmental Impact Statement (Draft GMP/EIS) for Roosevelt-

Vanderbilt National Historic Sites, New York.

Consistent with National Park Service laws, regulations, and policies, and the purposes of the National Historic Sites, the Draft GMP/EIS describes and analyzes three alternatives (No-Action, Action Alternative One, and Action Alternative Two) to guide the management of the National Historic Sites over the next 20 years. The Draft GMP/EIS covers the three units of the national park system that compose Roosevelt-Vanderbilt National Historic Sites: Home of Franklin D. Roosevelt National Historic Site; Eleanor Roosevelt National Historic Site; and Vanderbilt Mansion National Historic Site. The three national historic sites are combined into a single administrative unit, but each was established by separate legislation and each has its own purpose and significance. At present, management of the National Historic Sites is guided by three separate planning documents. Although a GMP was needed for each of the sites, a single unifying plan was deemed to be the most expeditious and critical for continued coordinated management.

Primary planning issues include preservation and treatment of cultural resources, provision of visitor services, and partnership opportunities. The alternatives incorporate various management prescriptions to ensure protection, access, and enjoyment of the parks' resources. The No Action Alternative would continue the current management direction. Action Alternative One would emphasize restoring historic appearance and encouraging visitors to explore more of the estate buildings and landscape. Action Alternative Two would seek to make the parks relevant to more audiences by encouraging greater civic participation in park activities, while significantly enhancing the historic character of park resources. Action Alternative Two is the National Park Service's preferred alternative. The Draft GMP/EIS evaluates the potential environmental consequences of implementing the alternatives. Impact topics include the cultural, natural, and socioeconomic environments.

DATES: The National Park Service will accept comments on the Draft GMP/EIS from the public for a period of 60 days following publication of the Environmental Protection Agency's Notice of Availability in the **Federal Register**. The National Park Service will also hold a public forum to solicit comments on the Draft GMP/EIS during the public review period. The date, time and location will be announced in local