

increased to the extent that we proposed.

The processing of import permits is a service where disaggregation based on the class of animal or animal product or the exporting country in question is not possible. The fees were calculated based on the average level of effort to complete the issuance of import permits. Additionally, as a matter of transparency, we are making all cost data on which the fees were based available at www.aphis.usda.gov/business-services/vs-fees.

Therefore, in accordance with § 130.3(a), we are updating the fees as proposed and without modification.

Authority: 5 U.S.C. 5542; 7 U.S.C. 1622 and 8301–8317; 21 U.S.C. 136 and 136a; 31 U.S.C. 3701, 3716, 3717, 3719, and 3720A; 7 CFR 2.22, 2.80, and 371.4.

Done in Washington, DC, this 6th day of January 2025.

Donna Lalli,

Acting Administrator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Land Management Plan Direction for Old-Growth Forest Conditions Across the National Forest System; Withdrawal

AGENCY: Forest Service, Department of Agriculture.

ACTION: Notice; withdrawal.

SUMMARY: The United States Department of Agriculture is withdrawing its notice of intent to prepare an environmental impact statement (EIS) for the Land Management Plan Direction for Old-Growth Forest Conditions Across the National Forest System.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jennifer McRae, Planning Team Leader, at 202–791–8488.

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Christopher French,

Deputy Chief, National Forest System.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Final Record of Decision for the Revised Land Management Plan for the Nez Perce-Clearwater National Forests

AGENCY: Forest Service, Agriculture (USDA).

ACTION: Notice of approval of the Revised Land Management Plan for the Nez Perce-Clearwater National Forests.

SUMMARY: Heath Perrine, Acting Forest Supervisor for the Nez Perce-Clearwater National Forests, Northern Region, signed the final Record of Decision (ROD) for the Revised Land Management Plan (LMP) for the Nez Perce-Clearwater National Forests. The final ROD documents the rationale for approving the Revised LMP and is consistent with the Reviewing Officers' responses to objections and instructions.

DATES: The Revised LMP for the Nez Perce-Clearwater National Forests will become effective 30 days after the publication of this notice of approval in the **Federal Register** (36 CFR 219.17(a)(1)).

ADDRESSES: To view the final ROD, Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS), Revised LMP, and other related documents, please visit the Nez Perce-Clearwater National Forests website at: <https://www.fs.usda.gov/detail/nezperceclearwater/landmanagement/planning/?cid=FSEPRD1206684>. The Forest Service will also publish a legal notice of approval in the newspaper of record, *Lewiston Morning Tribune*, and post a copy of this legal notice on the Nez Perce-Clearwater National Forests' website listed above.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Sara Daugherty, Forest Planner, Nez Perce-Clearwater National Forests, by email at sara.daugherty@usda.gov or by phone at (208) 963–4206.

Individuals who use telecommunication devices for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at (800) 877–8339, 24 hours a day, every day of the year, including holidays.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Nez Perce-Clearwater National Forests in the Northern Region spans six ranger districts and covers approximately four million acres across seven counties in north central Idaho, stretching from the Bitterroot Mountains on the Idaho and Montana border to the east, Salmon River to the south, Hells Canyon to the west, and the Palouse Prairie and North Fork Clearwater River basin to the north. The Nez Perce-Clearwater

National Forests range in elevation from 1,000 to over 8,900 feet and support diverse ecosystems and uses. The Nez Perce-Clearwater National Forests contain habitats essential for a wide variety of species and serves critical headwaters of the Clearwater River. The Nez Perce-Clearwater National Forests also provide opportunities for recreation, timber harvesting, livestock grazing, and mineral development that contribute to the quality of life and economies of the surrounding communities.

The Revised LMP was shaped by the best available scientific information, current laws, and public, governmental, and tribal input. It was developed pursuant to the 2012 Forest Service Planning Rule (36 CFR 219) and will replace the current Forest Plans that were released in 1987. The Revised LMP includes desired conditions, objectives, standards, guidelines, management approaches, management area allocations, and land suitability for project and activity decision-making, which will guide resource management activities on the Nez Perce-Clearwater National Forests. It also includes wilderness recommendations and identifies eligible and suitable wild and scenic river segments.

The Nez Perce-Clearwater National Forests initiated LMP revision in 2013 and engaged with the public and tribal, federal, state, and local governments. The Forests consulted with the Nez Perce Tribe during the planning process, ensuring tribal-related plan direction accurately reflects the Nez Perce-Clearwater National Forests' tribal trust relationship and ensures that the Treaty with the Nez Perce of 1855 is honored. Between 2012 and 2020, the Nez Perce-Clearwater National Forests conducted 26 formal public comment and informal public feedback opportunities. The Forests received and analyzed more than 33,000 public comments. Hundreds of people attended 45 in-person and virtual public meetings, open houses, and webinars.

A 90-day public comment period on the draft LMP and associated draft EIS was initiated on December 20, 2019, and subsequently extended 30 days. The Forests used these comments to inform and the preferred alternative for the FEIS and Revised Plan. A draft ROD, Revised LMP, and FEIS were released on November 28, 2023, initiating a 60-day objection filing period that closed January 29, 2024. The Forest Service received approximately 275 eligible objections to the draft ROD and 5 objections filed by 13 individuals and organizations to the list of species of conservation concern. The Reviewing

Officers held objection resolution meetings with objectors and interested persons in May 2024. Based on these meetings and a review of the objections, the Reviewing Officer for the list of species of conservation concern issued a written response to objectors on September 26, 2024. The Reviewing Officer for the LMP issued a written response to objectors on September 27, 2024. The instructions from the Reviewing Officers were addressed in the ROD, Revised LMP, and FEIS.

Cooperating Agencies

The following entities have participated in the planning process as cooperating agencies: State of Idaho (Office of Species Conservation), Clearwater County, and Idaho County.

Government to Government Consulting Agency

The Nez Perce-Clearwater National Forests consulted with the Nez Perce Tribe throughout the planning process of the revised Plan.

Responsible Official

The Responsible Official for approving the Revised LMP is Heath Perrine, Acting Forest Supervisor, Nez Perce-Clearwater National Forests. The Responsible Official for approving the list of species of conservation concern is Leanne Marten, Regional Forester, Northern Region.

Jacqueline Emanuel,

Associate Deputy Chief, National Forest System.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Rural Utilities Service

[Docket #: RUS-24-TELECOM-0037]

Notice of Funding Opportunity for the Community Connect Grant Program for Fiscal Year 2025

AGENCY: Rural Utilities Service, USDA.
ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Rural Utilities Service (RUS or the Agency), a Rural Development (RD) agency of the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), announces the acceptance of applications under the Community Connect Grant (CCG) program for fiscal year (FY) 2025. This notice is being issued prior to passage of an FY 2025 appropriations act in order to allow applicants sufficient time to prepare their applications and give the Agency time to process applications within FY

2025. Based on FY 2024 appropriated funding, the Agency estimates that approximately \$26 million will be available, for FY 2025. These grant funds will be made available to eligible applicants to construct broadband networks that provide service on a community-oriented connectivity basis in rural areas. All applicants are responsible for any expenses incurred in developing their applications.

DATES: The application window opens on February 20, 2025. Completed applications for grants must be submitted electronically by no later than 11:59 a.m. eastern time (ET), April 21, 2025.

ADDRESSES: All applications must be submitted electronically at: <https://www.rd.usda.gov/community-connect>. This funding opportunity will also be posted to <https://www.grants.gov>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Randall Millhiser, Deputy Assistant Administrator, Office of Loan Origination and Approval, Rural Utilities Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, 1400 Independence Avenue SW, Mail Stop 1590, Room 4121-S, Washington, DC 20250-1590, telephone: (202) 720-0800, email: Randall.Milhiser@usda.gov.

For inquiries regarding eligibility concerns, please contact the Community Connect Program Staff at <https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/telecommunications-programs/community-connect-grants#contact>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Overview

Federal Awarding Agency Name: Rural Utilities Service.

Funding Opportunity Title:

Community Connect Grant Program.

Announcement Type: Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO).

Funding Opportunity Number: RDRUS-CC-2025.

Assistance Listing: 10.863.

Dates: Completed electronic applications must be filed through <https://www.rd.usda.gov/community-connect>. The application window opens on February 20, 2025. Completed applications for grants must be submitted electronically by no later than 11:59 a.m. ET, April 21, 2025. Late or incomplete applications will not be accepted.

Rural Development Key Priorities: The Agency encourages applicants to consider projects that will advance the following key priorities (more details available at <https://www.rd.usda.gov/priority-points>):

- *Creating More and Better Markets.* Assisting rural communities to recover

economically through more and better market opportunities and through improved infrastructure.

- *Advancing Racial Justice, Place-Based Equity, and Opportunity.* Ensuring all rural residents have equitable access to RD programs and benefits from RD funded projects.
- *Addressing Climate Change and Environmental Justice.* Reducing climate pollution and increasing resilience to the impacts of climate change through economic support to rural communities.

A. Program Description

1. *Purpose of the Program.* The program provides financial assistance to eligible applicants that will provide service at or above the broadband grant speed to all premises in rural, economically-challenged communities where broadband service does not exist. The deployment of broadband services on a “community-oriented connectivity” basis stimulates economic development and provides enhanced educational and health care opportunities in rural areas.

2. *Statutory and Regulatory Authority.* The CCG program is authorized under the Rural Electrification Act of 1936 (RE Act) and implemented by 7 CFR part 1739.

3. *Definitions.* The definitions applicable to this notice are published at 7 CFR 1739.3 and repeated within the FY 2025 CCG Program Application Guide (Application Guide) available at: <https://www.rd.usda.gov/community-connect>.

4. *Application of Awards.* Awards under the CCG program will be made on a competitive basis using specific review criteria contained in 7 CFR 1739.16. The Agency will review, evaluate and score applications received in response to this notice based on the provisions found in 7 CFR 1739.17 and as indicated in this notice. The Agency advises all interested parties that the applicant bears the full burden in preparing and submitting an application in response to this notice.

B. Federal Award Information

Type of Award: Grants.

Fiscal Year Funds: FY 2025.

Available Funds: The Agency estimates that approximately \$26 million will be available for FY 2025, based on FY 2024 amounts. RUS may at its discretion, increase the total level of funding available in this funding round from any available source provided the awards meet the requirements of the statute which made the funding available to the agency.

Minimum Award: \$100,000.

Maximum Award: \$5,000,000.