

adversely impact upon existing facilities.

Telephone pedestals, where telephone connections can be made and brought onto the proposed site, are located along the bordering streets. The proposed Center will not adversely impact existing telephone services because the location was a residential area and the lines already in use and presently underutilized the demolition of the private residences.

The Flint River lies approximately 3500 feet east of the subject site. A "basin", located in the south central section of Parcel A, appears to be lowest in the terminal area of the cul-de-sac. Run-off in this area is expected to collect in the basin and eventually infiltrate into the ground. The man-made earthen berm that parallels North Saginaw Street on the western side of the property and extends the entire length of the property blocks run-off from the property to North Saginaw Street. Groundwater in water table aquifers, which may underlie the site, may conform with the topographic relief and flow east towards the Flint River. The proposed Center will have no adverse impact on ground water flow.

The proposed use of the site has no significant impact on any natural systems, resources, or any endangered flora or fauna.

There are no buildings on or near the site that are designated as "historically significant" and no areas of archaeological significance are present.

The City of Flint is regulated under the Federal Clean Air Act, as amended in 1990. The proposed action will have no adverse effect on air quality.

Noise levels that may be generated from air conditioning and other equipment that may be installed in the new facility are expected to be consistent with the City of Flint regulations. Although there may be some short-term impact from additional noise during the construction activities, the completed facility is expected to remain within allowable noise limits and will not adversely impact neighboring properties.

Pole-mounted street lights presently provide general site lighting. On-site lighting will be installed as part of the new construction. The additional lighting should have a positive impact on the surrounding area. Lighting can improve security by reducing crime and vandalism, and also aesthetically enhance the site.

Although the proposed project will cause an increase in the traffic in the community, the increase is not expected to adversely impact traffic flow. The proposed action is not expected to

adversely affect emergency response companies, police and fire services, hospital service or the City's public transportation system.

A public forum was held on January 22, 1994 concerning the establishment and location of the Job Corps Center. Approximately 200 people were in attendance at the meeting representing over 30 agencies, members of the clergy, community members, neighborhood organizations, businesses and elected officials. The proposal to site a new Job Corps Center in the City of Flint was strongly supported by the people in attendance at the forum.

Analysis of the following three alternatives were made: (1) The "No Build" alternative; (2) the "Alternative Sites" alternative; and (3) the "Continue as Proposed" alternative. The "No Build" alternative implies that the Department of Labor would not proceed with the proposed Center in the Flint Area. Although this would result in no environmental impact upon the area, the socioeconomic loss to the City of Flint would be significant. Alternative sites in Saginaw and Ann Arbor, Michigan were considered by the Department of Labor for the new Job Corps Center site, but did not meet the minimum selection criteria for locating a new Job Corps Center. The "Continue as Proposed" alternative (preferred alternative) means that the site will be developed to provide facilities and a setting for the Flint Job Corps Center in Flint, Michigan.

Based on the information gathered during the preparation of the EA for the Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration, the Office of Job Corps finds that the location of the Flint Job Corps Center at the proposed site will not cause any significant impact on the environment and, therefore, recommends that the project continue as proposed. This proposed action is not considered to be highly controversial.

Dated at Washington, DC, this 23rd day of December 1994.

Peter E. Rell,

Director of Job Corps.

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Job Corps: Preliminary Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) for the New Job Corps Center in Ft. Devens, MA

AGENCY: Employment and Training Administration, Labor.

ACTION: Preliminary Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) for the New

Job Corps Center in Ft. Devens, Massachusetts.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the Council on Environmental Quality Regulations (40 CFR Part 1500-08) implementing procedural provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), the Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration, Office of Job Corps, in accordance with 29 CFR 11.11(d), gives notice that an Environmental Assessment (EA) has been prepared and the proposed plans for the establishment of a Job Corps Center on a portion of former Ft. Devens, Massachusetts, will have no significant environmental impact, and this Preliminary Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) will be made available for public review and comment for a period of 30 days.

DATES: Comments must be submitted by February 10, 1995.

ADDRESSES: Any comment(s) are to be submitted to Lynn Kotecki, Employment and Training Administration, Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Ave. NW., Washington, DC, 20210, (202) 219-5468.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Copies of the EA and additional information are available to interested parties by contacting Albert Glastetter, Director, Region I (One), Office of Job Corps, One Congress Street, 11th Floor, Boston, Massachusetts, 02114, (617) 565-2167.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The proposed site, located in the abandoned Verbeck Housing Complex on Ft. Devens, Massachusetts, is comprised of thirty-five (35) acres. The site is part of the larger Ft. Devens complex which consists of approximately 9,300 acres, but which is to be downsized pursuant to a recommendation by the Defense Base Realignment and Closure Committee. Ft. Devens has served its military role since 1917. The proposed site is located in the Main Post of Ft. Devens, bordered by West Main Street to the north, and the Town of Ayer to the east.

Prior to initiating the proposed action, the Verbeck Housing Complex is scheduled to be razed, along with ancillary facilities that currently occupy the site. Following the demolition, the proposed Job Corps Center would be constructed to accommodate 400 full-time residential students with dormitories, educational/vocational facilities, food service facilities, medical/dental facilities, administrative offices, storage and support. Approximately 201,200 gross square feet of new structures is planned. The