

C. Application Submission

These guidelines should be followed in submitting applications:

- All applications requesting SSA funds for cooperative agreement projects under this announcement must be submitted on the standard forms provided in the application kit. NOTE: Facsimile copies will not be accepted.
- The application shall be executed by an individual authorized to act for the applicant organization and to assume for the applicant organization the obligations imposed by the terms and conditions of the cooperative agreement award.
- Number of copies: The package should contain one original, signed and dated application plus at least two copies. Ten additional copies are optional and will expedite processing of the application. A disk copy of the Abstract and the Program Narrative (in MSWord format) would also be helpful to SSA.
- Length: Applications should be brief and concise as possible, but assure successful communication of the applicant's proposal to the reviewers. The Project Narrative portion of the application (Part III) may not exceed 150 double spaced pages (excluding the resume and outside funding appendices), typewritten on one side using standard (8½" × 11") size paper and 12 point font. Attachments that support the project narrative count within the 150 page limit. Attachments not applicable to the project narrative do not count toward this page limit.
- Attachments/Appendices, when included should be used only to provide supporting documentation. Brochures, videos, etc., should not be included because they are not easily reproduced and are therefore inaccessible to reviewers.
- In item 11 of the Face Sheet (SF 424), the applicant must clearly indicate the application submitted is in response to this announcement (SSA-ORES-03-01). The applicant also is encouraged to select a SHORT descriptive project title.
- On all applications developed by more than one organization, the application must identify only one institution as the lead organization and the official applicant. The other(s) can be included as subgrantees or subcontractors.

Applications must be mailed or hand delivered to: Grants Management Team, Office of Acquisition and Grants, DCFAM, Social Security Administration, Attention: SSA-ORES-

03-01, 1-E-4 Gwynn Oak Building, 1710 Gwynn Oak Avenue, Baltimore, MD 21207-5279.

Hand delivered applications are accepted between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. An application will be considered as meeting the deadline if it is either:

1. Received at the above address on or before the deadline date; or
2. Mailed through the U.S. Postal Service or sent by commercial carrier on or before the deadline date and received in time to be considered during the competitive review and evaluation process.

Packages must be postmarked by July 15, 2003. Applicants are cautioned to request a legibly dated U.S. Postal Service postmark or to obtain a legibly dated receipt from a commercial carrier as evidence of timely mailing.

Applications that do not meet the above criteria will be considered late applications. SSA will not waive or extend the deadline for any applicant unless the deadline is waived or extended for all applicants. SSA will notify each late applicant that its application will not be considered.

D. Notification

SSA will use Form SSA-3966 PC (a double postcard) to acknowledge receipt of applications. Please complete the top and bottom parts of the double postcard that is included in the application kit and, on the franked sided of the postcard, enter the name and address of the person to whom the acknowledgment is to be sent. Include Form SSA-3966 PC with the original copy of the application forms. If you do not receive acknowledgment of your application within eight weeks after the deadline date, please notify SSA.

Paperwork Reduction Act

The information is collected using form SSA-96-BK, Instructions for Completion of Federal Assistance Application has already been approved under Office of Management and Budget (OMB) control number 0960-0184. This is important in that persons are not required to respond to an information collection unless it displays a valid OMB control number.

In addition, the collection of information from ten or more members of the public by cooperative agreement awardees during research and study activities will require clearance from OMB if the information is in response to identical questions.

Executive Order 12372 and 12416—Intergovernmental Review of Federal Programs

This program is not covered by the requirements of Executive Order 12372, as amended by Executive Order 12416, relating to the Federal policy for consulting with State and local elected officials on proposed Federal financial assistance.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance: Program No. 96.007, Social Security—Research and Demonstration)

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Jo Anne B. Barnhart,

Commissioner of Social Security.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**Federal Highway Administration****Environmental Impact Statement: Seattle, WA**

AGENCY: Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of intent to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for replacing the Magnolia Bridge (Seattle, Washington).

SUMMARY: The FHWA is issuing this notice to advise the public, Tribes, and agencies that an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) will be prepared for a proposed transportation improvement project in Seattle, King County, Washington.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Elizabeth Healy, Area Engineer, Federal Highway Administration, 711 S. Capitol Way, Suite 501, Olympia, WA 98501, Telephone (360) 753-9480 and Kirk T. Jones, Seattle Department of Transportation Project Manager, 700 Fifth Ave., Seattle 98104, (206) 615-0862 or e-mail kirkt.jones@seattle.gov. The Seattle Department of Transportation (SDOT) TDD number is 206-615-0476. Written comments should be sent to Kirk T. Jones, Seattle Department of Transportation, Key Tower, Suite 3900, 700-5th Avenue, Seattle, Washington 98104-5043.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The FHWA, the Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT), and the City of Seattle will prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) for a transportation improvement project to replace the Magnolia Bridge which spans from the intersection of 15th Avenue West and West Garfield Street