Labor as labor surplus areas pursuant to 20 CFR 654.5(a) (48 FR 15615 April 12, 1983) and are added to the annual list of labor surplus areas, effective June 1, 1986.

The following additions to the annual list of labor surplus areas are published for the use of all Federal agencies in directing procurement activities and locating new plants or facilities.

Signed at Washington, DC, on June 4, 1986.

Roger D. Semerad,

Assistant Secretary of Labor.

Additions to the Annual List of Labor Surplus Areas

June 1, 1986.

Labor surplus area	Civil jurisdiction included
Louisiana:	
Shreveport City	Shreveport City in Bossier Parish, Caddo Parish.
Balance of Caddo Parish	Caddo Parish Less Shreveport City.

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Job Training Partnership Act; Indian and Native American Employment and Training Programs

AGENCY: Employment and Training Administration, Labor.

ACTION: Notice of proposed designation procedures for grantees

SUMMARY: This document contains proposed procedures by which the Department of Labor (DOL) will designate grantees for Indian and Native American Employment and Training Programs under the Job Training Partnership Act (JTPA). The next cycle of such designation actions will cover JTPA Program Years 1987 and 1988 (July 1, 1987, through June 30, 1989). This notice provides necessary information to prospective grant applicants to enable them to submit appropriate requests for designation.

DATE: The public is invited to submit written comments on the proposed procedures. Such written comments must be received on or before July 21, 1986.

ADDRESS: Send written comments to: Assistant Secretary for Employment and Training, Employment and Training Administration, 601 D Street NW., Washington, DC 20213; Attention: Paul A. Mayrand, Director, Office of Special Targeted Programs (OSTP).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Herbert Fellman, Chief, Division of Indian and Native American Programs, Telephone: 202-376-7053.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Final designation procedures for Indian and Native American Employment and Training Programs under the Job Training Partnership Act (JTPA) were published in the **Federal Register** on October 23, 1984; 49 FR 42559. Having gained the experience of implementing these procedures for the Program Year 1985 and 1986 cycle, the Department of Labor (DOL) has identified several areas of concern that require clarification. The intent of this notice is to propose such clarifications in order to improve the process for the next designation cycle.

The major procedural clarifications are summarized as follows:

A new Advance Notice of Intent form has been developed to capture more effectively information on geographic service area requests and other designation information, the Standard Form 424 will no longer be utilized for the Advance Notice of Intent process, and information provided in the Advance Notice of Intent will not be considered as a final submittal.

The preferential hierachy for determining designations has been clarified. The second category in the hierarchy has now been broadened to include incumbent Native American-controlled community-based organizations with significant local Native American-community support for their existing DOL service area and all non-incumbent Native American-controlled organizations that are challenging such incumbents, or seeking to serve areas for which the incumbent is not reapplying. Competititon would be permitted only when such a non-incumbent could demonstrate in its application, by verifiable information, that it is potentially significantly superior overall to the incumbent. As a result of this merger, the perferential hierarchy would be reduced to four categories instead of the former five.

The criteria to be utilized in ascertaining the potential for significant superiority overall have been clarified. In addition, the definition of community support has been expanded.

Guidance to current grantees, relative to the Standard Form 424 only option described at 20 CFR 632.11(c), has been strengthened. Current grantees, other than tribes, bands, or groups (including Alaskan Native entities) applying for their existing service areas are strongly urged to consider submitting a complete final Notice of Intent even if their service area request has not changed. The submission of a complete final Notice of Intent protects an incumbent if unanticipated competition should occur.

Addresses and telephone numbers identified in these proposed procedures will change in the final publication because of a planned move of Employment and Training Administration personnel to the Frances Perkins Building.

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Introduction: Scope and Purpose of Notice

Section 401 of the Job Training Partnership Act (JTPA) authorizes programs to serve the job training needs of Indians and Native Americans.

Requirements for these programs are set forth in the JTPA and in the regulations at 20 CFR Part 632. Pursuant to these requirements, DOL, through published procedures, selects entities for funding under JTPA section 401, and designates such entities as Native American Grantees, contingent on all other grant award requirements being met. This notice describes how DOL plans to make such designation decisions, pursuant to the regulations at 20 CFR Part 632. It provides necessary information to prospective grant applicants to enable them to submit appropriate requests for designation.

The process described in this notice is supported directly by the regulations at 20 CFR Part 632. This notice does not involve additional requirements but simply describes, for all eligible organizations' benefit, the procedures which will be followed in making designation decisions.

The amount of JTPA section 401 funds to be awarded to designated Native American grantees is determined under procedures described at 20 CFR 632.171 and not through this designation process. The specific organization eligibility and application requirements for designation are contained at 20 CFR 632.10 and 632.11. Any organization interested in being designated as a Native American grantee must be aware of and comply with these requirements.

I. General Designation Principles

The following general principles, based on the JTPA and applicable regulations, are intrinsic to the designation process:

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