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EPA Accepting Applications for National Environmental Education Training Program

WASHINGTON - The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is accepting grant applications to help manage the National Environmental Education Training Program over the next five years. EPA will award one cooperative agreement, worth approximately \$10 million over five years, that will provide teachers and other education professionals with resources and support to enable them to teach about environmental issues more effectively. EPA will accept applications until July 26, 2010.

The purpose of the national training program is to provide environmental education training and long-term support to teachers and other education professionals across the United States. Institutions of higher education and non-profit organizations in the United States are eligible to apply. EPA encourages these institutions to form broad-based partnerships when applying for this program that includes partners, such as Minority Academic Institutions, that represent the demographic diversity of the United States.

EPA believes that a broad-based consortium that builds on existing national environmental education resources and programs is the best way to successfully deliver quality training and support to K-12 teachers, faculty at colleges and universities and non-formal educators across the United States.

More information about application process for the National Environmental Education Training Program: <http://www.epa.gov/education/educate/solicitation.html>

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