PUBLIC NOTICE

The U.S. Department of Commerce, Economic Development Administration (EDA) is considering a request for Federal assistance from the Port of Lewiston to construct a fiber optic cable from Moscow, Idaho, to Grangeville, Idaho. The fiber optic cable will be constructed within Latah, Nez Perce, Lewis and Idaho Counties, Idaho. Pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Acy (NEPA) and the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA), EDA is conducting an assessment of the potential of the proposed project to affect the environmental and/or historic properties. Notice is hereby given that the project is proposed to be located in, or may affect, a floodplain and/or wetland as defined by Executive Order (EO) 11988 and/or 11990.

The project entails construction of approximately 95-miles of fiber optic cable from Moscow, Idaho, to Grangeville, Idaho. It is the intent to construct the fiber optic cable within State, County and City roadway right-of-way. The approximate location of the route is available on the Port of Lewiston website at: portoflewiston.com. Project information is available for review at the Port Administration Office, 1626 6th Ave N, Lewiston, Idaho 83501, Phone number: 208-743-5531. Please call for an appointment due to COVID-19 precautions.

If you have any information regarding potential impacts to historic properties or environmental resources, including wetlands or floodplains, associated with this proposed project, please provide it in writing via e-mail, or in person via telephone, to:

Regional Environmental Officer
US Department of Commerce
Economic Development Administration
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(206) 220-7666

Comments received in the EDA Regional Office by 5:00 pm pacific on Tuesday, March 2, 2021, will be considered. A copy of the NEPA/NHPA decisional document will be available upon request at the above EDA Regional Office.

