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Subject: Comments on the Notice of Intent to Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement for Louisiana Energy Services Gas Centrifuge Uranium Enrichment Facility

To Whom It May Concern:

The National Park Service has reviewed the subject Notice of Intent based on the assumption that the project is near the city of Eunice in Lea County, New Mexico. We have reviewed this project in relation to any possible conflicts with the Land and Water Conservation Fund (L&WCF) and the Urban Park and Recreation Recovery programs, and find that the following L&WCF projects may be adversely affected:

35-00035, Eunice Municipal Park
35-00177, Eunice Municipal Recreation Park
35-00215, Eunice Municipal Golf Course
35-00358, Eunice Neighborhood Park
35-00527, Eunice Tennis Court Renovation

35-00770, Marshall Memorial Park 35-00970, Marshall Park Sprinklers 35-00987, Marshall Park Improvements 35-00989, Stevens Park Improvements 35-01096, Marshall Park Trail

We recommend you consult directly with the official who administers the L&WCF program in the State of New Mexico to determine any potential conflicts with Section 6(f)(3) of the L&WCF Act (Public Law 88-578, as amended). This section states: "No property acquired or developed with assistance under this section shall, without the approval of the Secretary [of the Interior], be converted to other than public outdoor recreation uses. The Secretary shall approve such conversion only if he finds it to be in accord with the then existing comprehensive statewide outdoor recreation plan and only upon such conditions as he deems necessary to assure the substitution of other recreation properties of at least equal fair market value and of reasonably equivalent usefulness and location."

The administrator for the L&WCF program in New Mexico is Ms. Sandra Massengill, Planner Director, Department Energy, Minerals & Natural Resources, 1220 S. Saint Francis Drive, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505-4000. Ms. Massengill's phone number is: (505) 476-3392.

Thank you again for the opportunity to comment on this project. If you have any questions, please contact Jane Beu, Outdoor Recreation Planner, in our Midwest Regional Office at (402) 221-7270.

Sincerely,

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