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Omar Gonzalez
 Western Regional Coordinator
 APWU, AFL-CIO
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Omar M. Gonzalez, Coordinator

Dear Mr. Gonzalez,

On February 11, we notified you that we were beginning an Area Mail Processing (AMP) feasibility study at the Las Cruces, NM, Customer Service Mail Processing Center. The Arizona District office has completed its review and submitted it to the Western Area Office for consideration.

We welcome public input and will hold a meeting to explain the proposal on June 8, at 5:30 p.m., at the Days Inn & Suites Mesilla Valley Hotel & Conference Center, 901 Avenida de Mesilla, in Las Cruces.

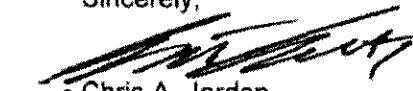
Attached please find a summary brief of the AMP proposal. We will post presentation materials along with the summary brief on our website, *usps.com*, one week prior to the meeting.

We also will accept any public comment on the study up to 15 days after the meeting. Comments may be mailed to:

Consumer Affairs Manager
 Arizona District
 PO Box 21628
 Phoenix AZ 85036-1628

If you have any questions concerning this AMP proposal, please contact Scott Sutton at 303-313-5449.

Sincerely,

for 
 Chris A. Jordan
 Manager, Labor Relations
 Western Area

Attachment

cc: Area Vice President
 HQ Vice President, Labor Relations

AREA MAIL PROCESSING (AMP) FEASIBILITY STUDY
Las Cruces, NM CSMPC to El Paso TX P&DC

May 24, 2011

Area Mail Processing (AMP) is the consolidation of mail processing operations from one or more postal facilities to other facilities to improve operational efficiency and/or service.

An AMP study was initiated to evaluate the transfer of mail processing from the Las Cruces, NM Customer Service Mail Processing Center (CSMPC) to the El Paso, TX Processing and Distribution Center (P&DC). The initial results of the study support the business case for consolidation. This study, currently in review at United States Postal Service Headquarters and its Area Office, is subject to change.

A public meeting will be held to share the initial results of the study and allow members of the community to ask questions and provide feedback. The public's input will be considered prior to a final decision.

The meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 8, 2011, at 5:30 p.m., at the Days Inn & Suites Mesilla Valley Hotel & Conference Center, 901 Avenida de Mesilla, Las Cruces NM 88005. Below are preliminary highlights from the study:

1. Business Case

Proposed annual savings in the draft AMP feasibility study are approximately \$877,952

- Workhour savings of \$752,470
- Maintenance savings of \$393,240
- Transportation costs of (\$267,758)

2. Postal Employees

Due to the consolidation, a net decrease of approximately 20 positions is projected. All reassignments will be made in accordance with collective bargaining agreements.

3. Local Customer Considerations

- Retail services will remain the same.
- Business mail acceptance will remain the same.
- A local postmark will be available for stamped First-Class Mail.
- Delivery of mail to residences and businesses will not change as a result of the AMP.

4. Commercial Mailers

Mailers who presort mail will continue to receive appropriate postage discounts.

Written comments may be sent to the following:

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Phoenix AZ 85036-1628

All comments must be postmarked by June 23, 2011.