

Upper Tularosa Basin Watershed Treatment (Lincoln and Socorro Counties)

Zuni River Watershed (Cibola and McKinley Counties)

Eastern NM Conservation Buffer Initiative (Union, Mora, Harding, San Miguel, Quay, Curry, Roosevelt and Lea Counties)

Cougar/Torrance Watershed (Torrance County)

Estancia Closed Underground Watershed (Torrance, Santa Fe and Bernallilo Counties)

Black River/Delaware River (Eddy County)

Abo Arroyo Watershed (Torrance, Socorro and Valencia Counties)

Rio Hondo Watershed Treatment (Lincoln and Otero Counties)

Yellow Dog Canyon (Socorro County)

Irrigated Cropland of Hidalgo (Hidalgo County)

Upper Canadian River Watershed (Union, Colfax, Harding, Mora and San Miguel Counties)

Pecos River Watershed Aquifer Brush Control (Chaves County)

Eastern Sangre De Cristo Mountain Watershed (Mora, San Miguel and Taos Counties)

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Rosendo Trevino III, State Conservationist, Natural Resources Conservation Service, 6200 Jefferson, NE, Albuquerque, NM 87109-3734, Telephone (505)761-4400.

Copies of these environmental assessments are available from NRCS in Albuquerque, NM and are also available electronically on the NRCS New Mexico Internet Homepage at: <http://www.nm.nrfcs.usda.gov/techserv/ea.htm>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The environmental assessments of these federally assisted actions indicate that the projects will not cause significant local, regional, or national effects on the human environment. As a result of these findings, Rosendo Trevino III, State Conservationist, has determined that the preparation and review of an environmental impact statement are not needed for these projects. Basic data developed during the environmental assessment is on file and may be reviewed by contacting Rosendo Trevino III.

No administrative action on implementation of the proposed action will be taken until 30 days after the date of this publication in the **Federal Register**.

Dated: December 20, 2001.

Rosendo Trevino III,
State Conservationist.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**Natural Resources Conservation Service****TV-13a Oaks/Avery Canal Hydrologic Restoration Project, Iberia and Vermilion Parishes, LA**

AGENCY: Natural Resources Conservation Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of finding of no significant impact.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to Section 102 (2) (C) of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969; the Council on Environmental Quality Guidelines (40 CFR part 1500); and the Natural Resources Conservation Service Guidelines (7 CFR part 650); the Natural Resources Conservation Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, gives notice that an environmental impact statement is not being prepared for the Oaks/Avery Canal Hydrologic Restoration Project, Iberia and Vermilion Parishes, Louisiana.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, CONTACT:

Donald W. Gohmert, State Conservationist, Natural Resources Conservation Service, 3737 Government Street, Alexandria, Louisiana 71302; telephone (318) 473-7751.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The environmental assessment of the federally assisted action indicates that the project will not cause significant local, regional, or national impacts on the environment. As a result of these findings, Donald W. Gohmert, State Conservationist, has determined that preparation and review of an environmental impact statement is not needed for this project.

TV-13a Oaks/Avery Canal Hydrologic Restoration Project Notice of Finding of No Significant Impact

The project will minimize marsh loss which is attributed to saltwater intrusion, shoreline deterioration, and bankline erosion within the project area. This will be accomplished by the installation of 800 linear feet of bankline stabilization on Oaks Canal, 6,500 linear feet of bankline stabilization along the Gulf Intracoastal Waterway (GIWW), one (1) low sill weir structure at the "cowpath" and approximately 900 linear feet of bankline stabilization in a manmade channel east of Oaks Canal

and north of GIWW, one (1) armored plug in a breach in the north bank of the Union Oil Canal, and 1,100 linear feet of spoilbank refurbishment on the Union Oil Canal.

The Notice of Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) has been forwarded to the Environmental Protection Agency and to various federal, state, and local agencies and interested parties. A limited number of copies of the FONSI are available to fill single copy requests at the above address. Basic data collected during the environmental assessment are on file and may be reviewed by contacting Donald W. Gohmert.

No administrative action on implementation of the proposal will be taken until 30 days after the date of this publication in the **Federal Register**.

Donald W. Gohmert,

State Conservationist.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**Natural Resources Conservation Service****Notice of Proposed Changes to Section IV of the Field Office Technical Guide (FOTG) of the Natural Resources Conservation Service in Indiana**

AGENCY: Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS), USDA.

ACTION: Notice of availability of proposed changes in Section IV of the FOTG of the NRCS in Indiana for review and comment.

SUMMARY: It is the intention of NRCS in Indiana to issue two revised conservation practice standards in Section IV of the FOTG. The revised standards are: Land Smoothing (466); and Wetland Wildlife Habitat Management (644). These practices may be used in conservation systems that treat highly erodible land and/or wetlands.

DATES: Comments will be received for a 30-day period commencing with this date of publication.

ADDRESSES: Address all requests and comments to Jane E. Hardisty, State Conservationist, Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS), 6013 Lakeside Blvd., Indianapolis, Indiana 46278. Copies of this standard will be made available upon written request. You may submit your electronic requests and comments to darrell.brown@in.usda.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jane E. Hardisty, 317-290-3200.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 343 of the Federal Agriculture Improvement and Reform Act of 1996 states that after enactment of the law, revisions made to NRCS state technical guides used to carry out highly erodible land and wetland provisions of the law, shall be made available for public review and comment. For the next 30 days, the NRCS in Indiana will receive comments relative to the proposed changes. Following that period, a determination will be made by the NRCS in Indiana regarding disposition of those comments and a final determination of changes will be made.

Dated: December 10, 2001.

Jane E. Hardisty,

State Conservationist, Indianapolis, Indiana.
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Bureau of Export Administration

Sensors and Instrumentation Technical Advisory Committee; Notice of Partially Closed Meeting

The Sensors and Instrumentation Technical Advisory Committee will meet on February 12, 2002, 9:30 a.m., in the Herbert C. Hoover Building, Room 3884, 14th Street between Constitution and Pennsylvania Avenues, NW., Washington, DC. The Committee advises the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Export Administration on technical questions that affect the level of export controls applicable to sensors and instrumentation equipment and technology.

Agenda

Public Session

1. Opening remarks and introductions.
2. Committee Annual Report for 2001.
3. Goals for 2002.
4. Status on Wassenaar Arrangement proposals.
5. Update on implementation of regulations.
6. Committee's proposed change to 6A002 (Optical sensors).
7. Update on Wassenaar Arrangement negotiating cycle.
8. Review of status on Uncooled IR licensing.

Closed Session

9. Discussion of matters properly classified under Executive Order 12958, dealing with the U.S. export control program and strategic criteria related thereto.

A limited number of seats will be available during the public session of the meeting.

Reservations are not accepted. To the extent that time permits, members of the public may present oral statements to the Committee. The public may submit written statements at any time before or after the meeting. However, to facilitate distribution of public presentation materials to the Committee members, the Committee suggests that presenters forward the public presentation materials prior to the meeting date to the following address: Ms. Lee Ann Carpenter, OSIES/EA/BXA MS: 3876, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th St. & Constitution Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20230.

The Assistant Secretary for Administration, with the concurrence of the General Counsel, formally determined on November 29, 2001, pursuant to section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended, that the series of meetings of the Committee and of any Subcommittees thereof, dealing with the classified materials listed in 5 U.S.C., 552b(c)(1) shall be exempt from the provisions relating to public meetings found in section 10(a)(1) and 10(a)(3), of the Federal Advisory Committee Act. The remaining series of meetings or portions thereof will be open to the public.

A copy of the Notice of Determination to close meetings or portions of meetings of the Committee is available for public inspection and copying in the Central Reference and Records Inspection Facility, Room 6020, U.S. Department of Commerce, Washington, DC 20230. For more information contact Lee Ann Carpenter on (202) 482-2583.

Dated: January 9, 2002.

Lee Ann Carpenter,

Committee Liaison Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Bureau of Export Administration

[Docket No. 010412092-1296-04]

Report on the Effect of Imports of Iron Ore and Semi-Finished Steel on the National Security

AGENCY: Bureau of Export Administration, Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Publication of Executive Summary of Report from the Secretary of Commerce to the President on the Effect of Imports of Iron Ore and Semi-Finished Steel on the National Security/ Notice of availability of full report.

SUMMARY: On October 29, 2001, the Secretary of Commerce ("Secretary") submitted a report to the President summarizing the findings of an investigation conducted by the Department pursuant to Section 232 of the Trade Expansion Act of 1962, into the effect of imports of iron ore and semi-finished steel on the national security of the United States. Based on

the evidence gathered in that investigation, the Secretary was unable to conclude that imports of iron ore and semi-finished steel threaten to impair the national security of the United States, or to recommend to the President that he take action under Section 232 to adjust the level of imports of these items. Included herein is the Executive Summary of the Secretary's report to the President.

ADDRESSES: Copies of the Secretary's report and certain records related to this investigation (with any business confidential information redacted) are accessible in accordance with the regulations published in part 4 of title 15 of the Code of Federal Regulations (15 CFR 4.1 *et seq.*). Specifically, the above documents are maintained on the Bureau of Export Administration's Web page, which can be found at <http://www.bxa.doc.gov> (see Freedom of Information Act ("FOIA") heading). Alternatively, any person may request that a copy of the Secretary's report be sent to him by calling (202) 482-0500.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Daniel O. Hill, Director, Office of Strategic Industries and Economic Security, Bureau of Export Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, (202) 482-4506.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

On February 1, 2001, the Secretary initiated an investigation under Section 232 to determine the effects on the national security of imports of iron ore and semi-finished steel. This investigation was conducted at the request of Representative James Oberstar of Minnesota and Representative Bart Stupak of Michigan. For further details on this investigation, see the **Federal Register** notices of February 6, 2001 (66 FR 9067), April 18, 2001 (66 FR 19917), June 14, 2001 (66 FR 32315), and July 10, 2001 (66 FR 35927).

On October 29, 2001, the Secretary concluded his investigation and submitted a report to the President. Based on the evidence gathered in that investigation, the Secretary was unable to conclude that imports of iron ore and semi-finished steel threaten to impair the national security of the United States, or to recommend to the President that he take action under Section 232 to adjust the level of imports of these items. The Executive Summary of the Secretary's October 2001 report to the President, titled "The Effect of Imports of Iron Ore and Semi-Finished Steel on the National Security," is reproduced below in accordance with 15 CFR 705.10.