

considered, including wetlands; fish and wildlife resources; cultural resources; land use; water and air quality; hazardous, toxic, and radioactive substances; threatened and endangered species; regional geology; aesthetics; environmental justice; and the general needs and welfare of the public.

The alternatives currently being considered for the DMMP include, but are not limited to: offshore disposal in the Environmental Protection Agency designated Ocean Dredged Material Disposal Site (ODMDS), nearshore disposal on the ebb tide delta, beach disposal, and upland disposal at Brandt Island. Additional beneficial uses of dredged material will also be investigated for the DMMP. The DEIS will address environmental effects of reasonable alternatives.

All private parties and Federal, State, and local agencies having an interest in the study are hereby notified of the intent to prepare a DEIS and are invited to comment at this time. A scoping letter was mailed to a standard mailing list November 26, 2007 and all comments received as a result of the scoping letter and this notice of intent will be considered in the preparation of the DMMP and DEIS.

The lead agency for this project is the U.S. Army Engineer District, Wilmington. Cooperating agency status has not been assigned to, nor requested by, any other agency.

The DEIS is being prepared in accordance with the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended, and will address the relationship of the proposed action to all other applicable Federal and State Laws and Executive Orders.

The DMMP and DEIS is currently scheduled to be available in July 2010.

Dated: March 17, 2009.

**Jefferson M. Ryscavage,**  
Colonel, EN, Commanding.

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Department of the Army; Army Corps of Engineers

#### Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement/ Environmental Impact Report for Natomas Levee Improvement Program Phase 4a Landside Improvements Project, Sacramento, CA

**AGENCY:** Department of the Army, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers; DoD.

**ACTION:** Notice of intent.

**SUMMARY:** The action being taken is preparation of an environmental impact statement/environmental impact report (EIS/EIR) for the Natomas Levee Improvement Program (NLIP) Phase 4a Landside Improvements Project (Phase 4a Project). The Corps is considering a request to issue both 408 permission to the Central Valley Flood Protection Board and 404 permit to Sacramento Area Flood Control Agency (SAFCA) for work on the NLIP. Under 33 U.S.C. 408, the Chief of Engineers may grant permission to alter an existing Federal project if it is not injurious to the public interest and does not impair the usefulness of the project. Under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act, the District Engineer permits the discharge of dredged or fill material into waters of the United States if the discharge meets the requirements of the Environmental Protection Agency's 404(b)(1) guidelines and is not contrary to the public interest. The NLIP is located in Sacramento and Sutter Counties, CA. The 408 permission is required for structural improvements to the Sacramento River east levee and the Natomas Cross Canal south levee. A 404 permit is needed for dredge and discharge of fill materials into waters of the United States resulting from levee improvements, relocation of the Riverside Canal, and development of associated habitat.

**DATES:** A public scoping meeting will be held on April 13, 2009 from 4:30 p.m. until 6:30 p.m. at South Natomas Community Center, Activity Room (see **ADDRESSES**). Send written comments by April 27, 2009 to (see **ADDRESSES**).

**ADDRESSES:** Public Scoping Meeting, South Natomas Community Center, Activity Room, 2921 Truxel Road, Sacramento, CA. Send written comments and suggestions concerning this study to Ms. Elizabeth Holland, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Sacramento District, Attn: Planning Division (CESPK-PD-R), 1325 J Street, Sacramento, CA 95814-2922. Requests to be placed on the mailing list should also be sent to this address.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Questions about the proposed action and EIS/EIR should be addressed to Ms. Elizabeth Holland at (916) 557-6763, e-mail

Elizabeth.g.holland@usace.army.mil or by mail (see **ADDRESSES**).

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

1. *Proposed Action.* The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers is preparing an EIS/EIR to analyze the impacts of the work proposed by SAFCA to implement the

NLIP Phase 4a Project. The overall purpose of the NLIP is to bring the entire 42-mile Natomas Basin perimeter levee system into compliance with applicable Federal and state standards for levees protecting urban areas. The NLIP Phase 4a Project is a component of the NLIP proposed by SAFCA to improve a portion of the Natomas Basin's perimeter levee system in Sacramento and Sutter Counties, CA.

2. *Alternatives.* The EIS/EIR will address an array of flood damage reduction alternatives. Alternatives analyzed during the investigation will consist of a combination of one or more flood risk reduction measures. These measures include strengthening the existing levee in place, constructing seepage berms, constructing adjacent setback levees, installing relief wells and cutoff walls, and relocating irrigation ditches.

3. *Scoping Process.* a. A public scoping meeting will be held on April 13, 2009 to present information to the public and to receive comments from the public. This meeting will begin a process to involve concerned individuals, and local, State, and Federal agencies with the Phase 4a Project.

b. Significant issues to be analyzed in depth in the EIS/EIR include effects on agricultural resources, land use, geology and soils, hydrology and hydraulics, water quality, biological resources (including fisheries, vegetation and wildlife resources, special-status species, and wetlands and other waters of the U.S.), cultural resources, paleontological resources, transportation and circulation, air quality, noise, visual resources, utilities and service systems, hazards and hazardous materials, socioeconomic and population and housing, and environmental justice. The EIS/EIR will also evaluate the cumulative effects of the proposed NLIP (including the past and anticipated future NLIP project phases) and other related projects in the study area.

c. The Corps is consulting with the State Historic Preservation Officer to comply with the National Historic Preservation Act, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the National Marine Fisheries Service to provide a Biological Opinion, and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to provide a Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act Report.

d. A 45-day public review period will be provided for individuals and agencies to review and comment on the draft EIS/EIR. All interested parties are encouraged to respond to this notice and provide a current address if they

wish to be notified of the draft EIS/EIR circulation.

4. *Availability.* The draft EIS/EIR is scheduled to be available for public review and comment in early summer 2009.

Dated: March 16, 2009.

**Thomas Chapman,**

*COL, EN, Commanding.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

### Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

**AGENCY:** Department of Education.

**SUMMARY:** The Director, Information Collection Clearance Division, Regulatory Information Management Services, Office of Management invites comments on the submission for OMB review as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

**DATES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before April 27, 2009.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments should be addressed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Education Desk Officer, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street, NW., Room 10222, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503 or faxed to (202) 395-6974.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35) requires that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) provide interested Federal agencies and the public an early opportunity to comment on information collection requests. OMB may amend or waive the requirement for public consultation to the extent that public participation in the approval process would defeat the purpose of the information collection, violate State or Federal law, or substantially interfere with any agency's ability to perform its statutory obligations. The Director, Regulatory Information Management Services, Office of Management, publishes that notice containing proposed information collection requests prior to submission of these requests to OMB. Each proposed information collection, grouped by office, contains the following: (1) Type of review requested, e.g. new, revision, extension, existing or reinstatement; (2) Title; (3) Summary of the collection; (4) Description of the need for, and proposed use of, the information; (5) Respondents and frequency of collection; and (6) Reporting and/or

Recordkeeping burden. OMB invites public comment.

Dated: March 24, 2009.

**Angela C. Arrington,**

*Director, IC Clearance Official, Regulatory Information Management Services, Office of Management.*

### Institute of Education Sciences

*Type of Review:* New.

*Title:* Impact Evaluation of Response to Intervention Strategies (Site Recruitment).

*Frequency:* On occasion.

*Affected Public:* State, local or tribal gov't, SEAs or LEAs.

*Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:*

*Responses:* 505.

*Burden Hours:* 1,510.

*Abstract:* The Impact Evaluation of Response to Intervention (RtI) strategies will inform the National Assessment of IDEA 2004, and the choices of districts and schools, by estimating the differential impacts of strategies for providing Tier 2 reading instruction to at-risk first and second graders. ED has awarded a contract to MDRC (in partnership with SRI International and Survey Research Management) to conduct this study in 150 elementary schools. This initial collection involves the site recruitment. The resulting RtI project will provide information that policymakers and school administrators can use to help identify students with learning disabilities and improve instruction provided to at-risk students.

Requests for copies of the information collection submission for OMB review may be accessed from <http://edicsweb.ed.gov>, by selecting the "Browse Pending Collections" link and by clicking on link number 3932. When you access the information collection, click on "Download Attachments" to view. Written requests for information should be addressed to U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., LBJ, Washington, DC 20202-4537. Requests may also be electronically mailed to the Internet address [ICDocketMgr@ed.gov](mailto:ICDocketMgr@ed.gov) or faxed to 202-401-0920. Please specify the complete title of the information collection when making your request.

Comments regarding burden and/or the collection activity requirements should be electronically mailed to [ICDocketMgr@ed.gov](mailto:ICDocketMgr@ed.gov). Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board, Idaho National Laboratory

**AGENCY:** Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Notice of open meeting.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces a meeting of the Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board (EM SSAB), Idaho National Laboratory. The Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770) requires that public notice of this meeting be announced in the **Federal Register**.

**DATES:** Tuesday, April 7, 2009, 8 a.m.–5 p.m.

Opportunities for public participation will be held on Tuesday, April 7, 2009, from 1:30 p.m. to 1:45 p.m. and from 3:30 p.m. to 3:45 p.m.

These times are subject to change; please contact the Federal Coordinator (below) for confirmation of times prior to the meeting.

**ADDRESSES:** Red Lion Hotel Canyon Springs, 1357 Blue Lakes Boulevard, Twin Falls, Idaho 83301.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Robert L. Pence, Federal Coordinator, Department of Energy, Idaho Operations Office, 1955 Fremont Avenue, MS-1203, Idaho Falls, ID 83415. Phone (208) 526-6518; Fax (208) 526-8789 or e-mail: [pencerl@id.doe.gov](mailto:pencerl@id.doe.gov) or visit the Board's Internet home page at: <http://www.inlemcab.org>.

### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

*Purpose of the Board:* The purpose of the Board is to make recommendations to DOE in the areas of environmental restoration, waste management, and related activities.

*Tentative Topics (agenda topics may change up to the day of the meeting; please contact Robert L. Pence for the most current agenda):*

- Progress to Cleanup.
- Fiscal Year 2011 Budget.
- Offsite Transuranic Waste.
- New Buried Waste Approach.
- March EM SSAB Chairs Meeting Report.

*Public Participation:* The meeting is open to the public. The EM SSAB, Idaho National Laboratory, welcomes the attendance of the public at its advisory committee meetings and will make every effort to accommodate persons with physical disabilities or special needs. If you require special accommodations due to a disability, please contact Robert L. Pence at least seven days in advance of the meeting at the phone number listed above. Written