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ARMED FORCES RETIREMENT HOME

Notice of Availability of a Record of Decision

AGENCY: Armed Forces Retirement Home.

ACTION: Notice of availability of a Record of Decision on the Final Environmental Impact Statement for the proposed Master Plan for its campus located at 3700 North Capital Street, NW., in Washington, DC.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA), 42 U.S.C. 4321, et seg. and the Council on Environmental Quality Regulations (40 Code of Federal Regulations [CFR] Parts 1500-1508), the Armed Forces Retirement Home (AFRH) announces the availability of a Record of Decision on the Final Environmental Impact Statement for the proposed Master Plan for its campus located at 3700 North Capital Street, NW., in Washington, DC. On February 26, 2008, the Chief Operating Officer of the Armed Forces Retirement Home approved the Record of Decision for the Environmental Impact Statement for the proposed Master Plan for the AFRH-Washington campus. Specifically, AFRH has chosen to implement Alternative 3A (Selected Alternative) from the Final Environment Impact Statement for the creation of a master plan for AFRH-W that will sustain the AFRH and its primary source of funding, the AFRH Trust Fund. The Record of Decision (ROD) documents the specific components of AFRH's decision and the rationale for the decision. This decision is based on analyses contained in the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) issued in May 2005; the Final EIS issued in November 2007; the comments of Federal and state agencies, members of the public, and elected officials; and other information in the administrative record.

The decision to implement the Selected Alternative involved balancing resource concerns and public interests. AFRH reached its decision after careful consideration of the environmental analysis of the effects of the build alternatives and the no build alternative, in concert with its needs. The Selected Alternative includes key measures to avoid and minimize impacts including (1) Minimizing impacts to the historic components of AFRH-W including adaptive re-use of buildings which contribute to the historic character of the site and retention of key landscape features, such as the meadow on the southern portion of the site; (2) providing new construction that is compatible with surrounding land uses, including placement of retail and commercial development along North Capitol and Irving Streets, low scale residential development along Park Place, and institutional uses around the AFRH-W administrative and residential areas; (3) providing park and open space amenities for AFRH-W residents and the surrounding community; (4) providing affordable housing; and (5) providing commercial and retail opportunities to serve the surrounding community.

The Record of Decision includes a statement of the decision made, synopses of other alternatives considered, the basis for the decision, an overview of public involvement in the decision-making process, and identification of the specific mitigation measures that will pursued as of the selected alternative. This decision is the result of a public planning process that began in 2004. The official responsible for this decision is the Chief Operating Officer of the Armed Forces Retirement Home.

ADDRESSES: The Record of Decision and other information may be obtained from the contacts listed below, or may be viewed online at http://www.afrhdevelopment.com.

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Dated: February 29, 2008.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

The Department of Commerce will submit to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. chapter 35).

Agency: U.S. Census Bureau.
Title: Census Participation Survey.
Form Number(s): None.
OMB Control Number: None.
Type of Request: New collection.
Burden Hours: 1,667.
Number of Respondents: 4,000.
Average Hours per Response: 25
minutes.

Needs and Uses: Every ten years, the U.S. Census Bureau is constitutionally and congressionally mandated, pursuant to Title 13 U.S.C. Section 141, to count everyone (citizens and non-citizens) residing in the United States. An accurate count is critical for many reasons including but not limited to:

- Congressional reapportionment;
- Redistricting congressional boundaries;
 - Community planning; and
- Distribution of public funds and program development.

To facilitate the data collection effort for the 2010 Census, the Census Bureau is developing an Integrated Communications Plan (ICP). Toward that end, the Census Bureau has contracted with DraftFCB to develop and implement an integrated communications campaign for the 2010 Census. DraftFCB had contracted with MACRO International, Inc. (who in turn has subcontracted with Human Resources Research Organization) to conduct a nationwide quantitative data collection to understand the barriers and motivators underlying participation (or lack thereof) in Census 2010. This data collection is critical to ensure the utility and effectiveness of the ICP.

The role of the ICP is to increase public awareness and motivate people