

Universal Identifier

Applicants should be aware they are required to provide a Dun and Bradstreet Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS) number during the application process. See the October 30, 2002, **Federal Register** (67, FR 66177) for Additional information.

Organizations can receive a DLJNS number at no cost by calling the dedicated toll-free DLTNS Number request line at 1-866-705-5711 or via the Internet at <http://www.dunandbradstreet.com>.

National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)

NOAA must analyze the potential environmental impacts, as required by the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), for applicant projects or proposals which are seeking NOAA federal funding opportunities. Detailed information on NOAA compliance with NEPA can be found at the following NOAA NEPA Web site: <http://www.nepa.noaa.gov/>, including our NOAA Administrative Order 216-6 for NEPA, http://www.nepa.noaa.gov/NAO216_6_TOC.pdf, and the Council on Environmental Quality implementation regulations, http://ceq.eh.doe.gov/nepa/regs/ceq/toc_ceq.htm. Consequently, as part of an applicant's package, and under their description of their program activities, applicants are required to provide detailed information on the activities to be conducted, locations, sites, species and habitat to be affected, possible construction activities, and any environmental concerns that may exist (e.g., the use and disposal of hazardous or toxic chemicals, introduction of non-indigenous species, impacts to endangered and threatened species, aquaculture projects, and impacts to coral reef systems). In addition to providing specific information that will serve as the basis for any required impact analyses, applicants may also be requested to assist NOAA in drafting of an environmental assessment, if NOAA determines an assessment is required. Applicants will also be required to cooperate with NOAA in identifying feasible measures to reduce or avoid any identified adverse environmental impacts of their proposal. The failure to do so shall be grounds for not selecting an application. In some cases if additional information is required after an application is selected, funds can be withheld by the Grants Officer under a special award condition requiring the recipient to submit additional environmental compliance information sufficient to enable NOAA to make an

assessment on any impacts that a project may have on the environment. The Department of Commerce Pre-award Notification Requirements for Grants and Cooperative Agreements contained in the **Federal Register** notice of October 1, 2001 (66 FR 49917), as amended by the **Federal Register** notice published on: October 30, 2002 (67 FR 66109); December 30, 2004 (69 FR 78389); and February 11, 2008 (73 FR 7696) are applicable to this solicitation.

Paperwork Reduction Act

This document contains collection-of-information requirements subject to the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA). The use of Standard Forms 424, 424A, 424B, SF-LLL, and CD 346 has been approved by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) under the respective control numbers 0348-0043, 0348-0044, 0348-0040, 0348-0046, and 0605-0001. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, no person is required to respond to, nor shall any person be subject to a penalty for failure to comply with, a collection of information subject to the requirements of the PRA unless that collection of information displays a currently valid OMB control number.

Executive Order 12866

This notice has been determined to be not significant for purposes of Executive Order 12866.

Executive Order 13132 (Federalism)

It has been determined that this notice does not contain policies with Federalism implications as that term is defined in Executive Order 13132.

Administrative Procedure Act/Regulatory Flexibility Act

Prior notice and an opportunity for public comment are not required by the Administrative Procedure Act or any other law for rules concerning public property, loans, grants, benefits, and contracts (5 U.S.C. 553(a)(2)). Because notice and opportunity for comment are not required pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 553 or any other law, the analytical requirements of the Regulatory Flexibility Act (5 U.S.C. 601 *et seq.*) are inapplicable. Therefore, a regulatory flexibility analysis has not been prepared.

Dated: July 31, 2008.

William Corso,

Deputy Assistant Administrator for Ocean Services and Coastal Zone Management.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Department of Defense Wage Committee

AGENCY: Department of Defense.

ACTION: Notice of closed meetings.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the provisions of section 10 of Public Law 92-463, the Federal Advisory Committee Act, notice is hereby given that closed meetings of the Department of Defense Wage Committee will be held on Tuesday, August 12, 2008; Tuesday, August 26, 2008; Tuesday, September 9, 2008; Tuesday, October 7, 2008; Tuesday, October 21, 2008; Tuesday, November 4, 2008; Tuesday, November 18, 2008; Tuesday, December 2, 2008; Tuesday, December 16, 2008; and Tuesday, December 30, 2008, at 10 a.m. in Room A101, 1400 Key Boulevard, Rosslyn, Virginia.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Additional information concerning the meetings may be obtained by writing to the Chairman, Department of Defense Wage Committee, 4000 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301-4000.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the provisions of section 10(d) of Public Law 92-463, the Department of Defense has determined that the meetings meet the criteria to close meetings to the public because the matters to be considered are related to internal rules and practices of the Department of Defense and the detailed wage data to be considered were obtained from officials of private establishments with a guarantee that the data will be held in confidence.

However, members of the public who may wish to do so are invited to submit material in writing to the chairman concerning matters believed to be deserving of the Committee's attention.

Dated: August 1, 2008.

Patricia L. Toppings,

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Department of Defense.*

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Veterans' Advisory Board on Dose Reconstruction

AGENCY: Department of Defense, Defense Threat Reduction Agency.

ACTION: Notice of Advisory Board Meeting.

SUMMARY: Under the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972 (5 U.S.C., Appendix, as amended) and the Sunshine in the Government Act of 1976 (5 U.S.C. 552b, as amended) the Defense Threat Reduction Agency (DTRA) and the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) announce the following advisory board meeting of the Veterans' Advisory Board on Dose Reconstruction (VBDR).

DATES: Wednesday, September 10, 2008, from 8:30 a.m.–11:30 a.m. and 1:30–5 p.m. with a public comment session from 11:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.; and Thursday, September 11, 2008, from 8:30 a.m.–9:05 and 10:05 a.m.–12:15 p.m., with a public comment session from 9:05 a.m.–10:05 a.m.

ADDRESSES: Westin Baltimore Washington Airport, Crossland BallRoom, 1110 Old Elkridge Landing Road, Linthicum Heights, MD 21090.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: The Veterans' Advisory Board on Dose Reconstruction toll free at 1–866–657–VBDR (8237). Additional information may be found at <http://vbdr.org>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose of Meeting: To obtain, review and evaluate information related to the Board mission to provide guidance and oversight of the dose reconstruction and claims compensation programs for veterans of U.S.-sponsored atmospheric nuclear weapons tests from 1945–1962; veterans of the 1945–1946 occupation of Hiroshima and Nagasaki, Japan; and veterans who were prisoners of war in those regions at the conclusion of World War II. In addition, the advisory board will assist the VA and DTRA in communicating with the veterans.

Meeting Agenda: On Wednesday, the meeting will open with an introduction of the Board. The following briefings will be presented: “Update on Nuclear Test Personnel Review (NTPR) Dose Reconstruction Program” by Dr. Paul Blake; and “VA Radiation Claims Compensation Program for Veterans” by Mr. Thomas Pamperin. In addition, the four subcommittees established during the inaugural VBDR session will report on their activities since April 2008. The subcommittees are the “Subcommittee on DTRA Dose Reconstruction Procedures”, the “Subcommittee on VA Claims Adjudication Procedures”, the “Subcommittee on Quality Management and VA Process Integration with DTRA Nuclear Test Personnel Review Program”, and the “Subcommittee on Communication and Outreach.”

On Thursday, the Board will discuss future business and meeting dates.

Meeting Accessibility: Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552b, as amended, and 41 CFR

102–3.140 through 102–3.165, and the availability of space this meeting is open to the public. Seating is limited by the size of the meeting Room. All persons must sign in legibly at the registration desk.

Written Statements: Pursuant to 41 CFR 102–3.105(j) and 102–3.140(c), interested persons may submit a written statement for consideration by the Veterans' Advisory Board on Dose Reconstruction. Written statements should be no longer than two type-written pages and must address: The issue, discussion, and recommended course of action. Supporting documentation may also be included as needed to establish the appropriate historical context and to provide any necessary background information.

Individuals submitting a written statement must submit their statement to the Board at 7910 Woodmont Ave., Suite 400, Bethesda, MD 20814–3095, at any point; however, if a written statement is not received at least 10 calendar days prior to the meeting, which is the subject of this notice, then it may not be provided to or considered by the Veterans' Advisory Board on Dose Reconstruction until its next open meeting.

The Chairperson will review all timely submissions with the Designated Federal Officer, and ensure they are provided to members of the Veterans' Advisory Board on Dose Reconstruction members before the meeting that is the subject of this notice. After reviewing the written comments, the Chairperson and the Designated Federal Officer may choose to invite the submitter of the comments to orally present their issue during an open portion of this meeting or at a future meeting.

The Chairperson, in consulting with the Designated Federal Officer, may, if desired, allot a specific amount of time for members of the public to present their issues for review and discussion by the Veterans' Advisory Board on Dose Reconstruction.

Public Comments: The September 10–11, 2008 meeting is open to the public, approximately one hour each day will be reserved for public comments on issues related to the task of the Veterans' Advisory Board on Dose Reconstruction, and speaking time will be assigned on a first-come, first-served basis. The amount of time per speaker will be determined by the number of requests received, but is nominally five minutes each. All persons who wish to speak at the meeting must sign in legibly at the registration desk. Questions from the public will not be considered during this period. Speakers who wish to expand on their oral statements are

invited to submit a written statement to the Veterans' Advisory Board on Dose Reconstruction at 7910 Woodmont Ave., Suite 400, Bethesda, MD 20814–3095.

Dated: August 1, 2008.

Patricia L. Toppings,

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Department of Defense.*

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Navy

Notice of Public Hearing for the Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement for Developing Homeport Facilities for Three Nimitz-Class Aircraft Carriers in Support of the U.S. Pacific Fleet

AGENCY: Department of the Navy, DoD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to Section 102(2)(c) of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969, as implemented by the Council on Environmental Quality Regulations (40 Code of Federal Regulations Parts 1500–1508 the U.S. Department of the Navy (Navy) has prepared and filed with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) a Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (SEIS) for Developing Homeport Facilities for Three Nimitz-Class (CVN) Aircraft Carriers in Support of the U.S. Pacific Fleet on August 8, 2008. The Draft SEIS has been prepared to update the analyses contained in the 1999 Final Environmental Impact Statement (the 1999 FEIS) for Developing Homeport Facilities for Three Nimitz-Class Aircraft Carriers in Support of the U.S. Pacific Fleet.

The SEIS analyzes information that was not available at the time the 1999 FEIS was completed, and focuses on potentially significant new circumstances or information relevant to environmental conditions that have emerged since the 2000 Record of Decision (2000 ROD) for the 1999 FEIS. Information or circumstances that have not changed significantly since the 2000 ROD are not re-examined in the SEIS.

A public hearing will be held to provide information and receive oral and written comments on the Draft SEIS. Federal, state, and local agencies and interested individuals are invited to be present or represented at the hearing.

DATES AND ADDRESSES: The public hearing will be held on September 3, 2008. The hearing will consist of an open house information session from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. and a formal public