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#### DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Office of the Secretary

Revision of the DoD 6055.09-STD, "Department of Defense Ammunition and Explosives Safety Standards"

**AGENCY:** Department of Defense. **ACTION:** Notice of change.

**SUMMARY:** The Chairman, Department of Defense Explosives Safety Board (DDESB), is today announcing several changes to DoD 6055.9-STD, dated 5 October 2004. The DDESB is republishing the Standard (now DoD 6055.09-STD) with changes deliberated by the Voting Board members from October 5, 2004 to July 18, 2005.

The DDESB is taking this action pursuant to its statutory authority as set forth in Title 10, United States Code, Section 172 (10 U.S.C. 172) and DoD Directive 6055.9E, "Explosives Safety Management and the Explosives Safety Board (DDESB)," August 19, 2005. The Standard is applicable to the Office of the Secretary of Defense, the Military Departments, the Office of the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, the Combatant Commands, the Office of the Inspector General of the Department of Defense, the Defense Agencies, the DoD Field Activities, and all other organizational entities in the Department of Defense (hereafter referred to collectively as the "DoD Components").

Through DoD 6055.09-STD, the DDESB establishes minimum explosives safety requirements for storing and handling ammunition and explosives. Copies of the revised Standard dated February 29, 2008, may be downloaded from the DoD Directives Program Web site at http://www.dtic.mil/whs/

directives.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For more detailed information on specific aspects of this Standard, contact Dr. Jerry M. Ward, phone: (703) 325-2525; e-mail: Jerry.Ward@ddesb.osd.mil; DDESB, 2461 Eisenhower Avenue, Room 856C, Alexandria, VA 22331-

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Dating back to 1928 when Congress directed the Secretaries of the military departments to establish a joint board of officers to "keep informed on stored supplies of ammunition and components thereof \* \* \*, with particular regard to keeping those supplies properly dispersed and stored

and to preventing hazardous conditions from arising to endanger life and property inside or outside of storage reservations," the DDESB (formerly known as the Ammunition Safety Board) has periodically revised or updated the Standard based on new scientific or technical information and explosives safety experience. The implementation of a change to DoD 6055.09-STD depends on formal publication of a change to DoD 6055.09-STD. In order to ensure compliance, the DoD Components modify their implementing procedures and standards accordingly.

This revision to the 5 October 2004 version of DoD 6055.09-STD incorporates, as appropriate, recommendations made by Voting Board members at the 327th DDESB meeting held on December 14, 2004, and the 328th DDESB meeting held on July 18, 2005, and included in their replies to DDESB vote by correspondence memoranda dated March 11, 2005 and June 30, 2005.

The changes included herein address the following:

- Replaces Chapter 12 "Real Property Contaminated with Ammunition, Explosives or Chemical Agents" with completely revised Chapter 12 "Real Property Known or Suspected to Contain Munitions and Explosives of Concern and Chemical Agents" that includes explosives safety standards for the identification and control of areas known or suspected to contain Munitions and Explosives of Concern (MEC) or Chemical Agents (CA), addresses explosives and CA safety aspects of response actions as well as special considerations, provides criteria for required safety submissions as well as for amendments and corrections to these submissions, provides criteria for after action reports, provides criteria for transfer of real property outside of DoD control
- Relocates criteria for the termination of use of facilities storing ammunition and explosives from the previous Chapter 12 to Chapter 1
- Includes a new Chapter 15 "Unexploded Ordnance (UXO)" that provides criteria for the disposition of UXO, addresses special considerations, provides criteria for access to areas known or suspected to contain UXO and for identification and control of such areas, provides minimum separation distances for UXO, addresses other considerations
- Includes a new Chapter 16 "Material Potentially Presenting an Explosives Hazard (MPPEH)" that provides explosives safety standards for **MPPEH**

- Expands Glossary to include new terms used in the revised Chapter 12, and new Chapters 15 and 16
- Removes the exception for quantitydistance (QD) application to roll-on and roll-off ammunition and explosives operations
- Establishes criteria for the siting of and authorized operations at reduced QD magazines
- Expands the criteria for application of no QD to ammunition and explosives stored in ships' magazines and intended for the service of shipboard armament or

In adopting these changes, the Chairman, DDESB has determined that the Standards, as changed, are at least as protective as the previous Standards.

Dated: September 29, 2008.

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

### Office of the Secretary

**Notification of Upcoming Meeting of** the Defense Advisory Board for **Employer Support of the Guard and** Reserve (DAB-ESGR)

**AGENCY:** Department of Defense. **ACTION:** Notice of open meeting.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces a meeting of the DAB-ESGR. This meeting will focus on the response to a recommendation to create a single point communication system to notify employers of Guard and Reserve members. This meeting is open to the public.

DATES: November 19, 2008 (0830-1630 hours).

ADDRESSES: Crystal Gateway Marriott, 1700 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington VA 22202.

The public is asked to pre-register three weeks in advance of the meeting due to security and or seating limitations (see below information for pre-registration).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION: Interested attendees may contact MAJ Elaine M. Gullotta at 703-696-1385 ext 540, or email at elaine.gullotta@us.army.mil.

## SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATON:

## **Agenda**

0830 Convene (Mr. James G. Rebholz, Chairman). 0835 Oath of Office (Mr. Frank Wilson).

0840 Minutes approval, Due Outs from last meeting and subcommittee update (Mr. James G. Rebholz, Chairman).

0850 Discussion, Response to Board Recommendation (Mr. James G. Rebholz, Chairman).

1030 Break.

1045 Honorable Thomas F. Hall, Assistant Secretary of Defense Reserve Affairs.

1200 Lunch.

1330 Public Comment.

1340 Discussion of Public Comment.

400 Review and discussion of DAB Recruitment Efforts, way ahead (Mr. James G. Rebholz, Chairman).

1515 Break.

1545 Summary of Proceedings, Administrative Announcements, Subcommittee Due Outs.

1615 Awards, Photos.

1630 Adjourn.

## (a) Background

The purpose of the Board is to provide independent advice and recommendations to the Secretary of Defense on matters that arise from the military obligation of members of the National Guard and Reserve members and the impact on their civilian employment.

# (b) Availability of Materials for the Meeting

Please see the Federal Advisory Committee Act website for copies of any available materials, including draft agendas for the meeting and background information. (http://www.fido.gov/ facadatabase/form\_meetings.asp).

## (c) Procedures for Providing Public Comments

It is the policy of the DAB–ESGR to accept written public comments of any length, and to accommodate oral public comments whenever possible. To facilitate Board discussion at its meetings, the Board may not accept oral comments at all meetings, The Board Staff expect that public statements presented at Board meetings will be focused on the Board's statutory charter and any working group topics.

Oral Comments: Speaking times will be confirmed by Board staff on a "first-come/first-served basis. To accommodate as many speakers as possible, oral public comments must be no longer than 3 minutes. Because the Board members may ask questions, reserved times will be approximate. Interested parties must contact MAJ Elaine Gullotta in writing (via mail or email) at least three weeks prior to the meeting.

Written Comments: Written comments should be received by the Board staff at

least three weeks prior to the meeting date so that the comments may be made available to the Board for consideration prior to the meeting. Written comments should be supplied MAJ Elaine Gullotta in one of the following formats (Word, PDF) via mail or email at least two weeks prior to the meeting. Please Note: The Board operates under the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended, all public presentations will be treated as public documents and will be made available for public inspection, up to and including being posted on the Federal Advisory Committee Web site.

Written comments may be sent to: Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve, 1555 Wilson Blvd, Suite 200, Arlington, VA 22209, *Attention:* MAJ Elaine Gullotta.

Dated: September 29, 2008.

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## **DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

# Department of the Army; Corps of Engineers

Intent To Prepare a Draft
Environmental Impact Statement/
Environmental Impact Report (DEIS/
EIR) for a Permit Application for the
Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles
County's (Sanitation Districts)
Clearwater Program in Los Angeles
County, CA

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

**ACTION:** Notice of Intent (NOI).

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969, 40 CFR 1508.22, and 33 CFR Parts 230 and 325, and in conjunction with the Sanitation Districts, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) is announcing its intent to prepare a DEIS/EIR for the Clearwater Program. The Clearwater Program is a strategic planning initiative to identify wastewater conveyance, wastewater treatment, effluent management, solids processing, and biosolids management needs for the Sanitation Districts' Joint Outfall System through the year 2050. The Clearwater Program will entail the preparation of a new Master Facilities Plan (MFP), which will guide the management, and upgrade/development of the Sanitation Districts' infrastructure. A major component of the MFP is the

construction of a new ocean outfall structure extending from the coastline in the vicinity of White Point, Point Fermin, or the Port of Los Angeles up to approximately 7 miles seaward of San Pedro Bay in the Pacific Ocean. The construction of the structure would entail discharge of dredged and fill material in waters of the United States, work in navigable waters of the United States, and potentially the transport of dredged material for ocean disposal. Accordingly, the Sanitation Districts intend to submit a Department of Army application pursuant to Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (CWA), Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act (RHA), and if necessary Section 103 of the Marine Protection, Research, and Sanctuaries Act (MPRSA).

For Additional Information Contact: Kenneth Wong, Project Manager, at (213) 452–3290 (kenneth.wong@usace.army.mil), U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Los Angeles District, P.O. Box 532711, Los Angeles, CA 90053–2325.

## SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

1. Project Purpose and Need: The Sanitation Districts currently utilize two tunnels and four ocean outfall structures to convey effluent from their Joint Water Pollution Control Plant (JWPCP) in the city of Carson to the Pacific Ocean. The two tunnels were constructed in 1937 and 1958 and have not been inspected in nearly 50 years. Inspection of the tunnels is not possible due to their overall length, limited access, lack of separation between the tunnels, and the overall flow through the tunnels. The project need is to inspect and upgrade aging infrastructure, and to accommodate the projected increase in wastewater flows. The project purpose is to improve existing infrastructure and increase wastewater treatment capacity to accommodate estimated 2050 flows, while complying with all applicable water quality standards. As a part of planned infrastructure improvements, the Sanitation Districts propose to construct a new tunnel and ocean outfall structure.

The new ocean outfall would be composed of onshore and offshore components. The onshore component would entail construction of a 4- to 7-mile long underground tunnel approximately up to 200 feet below ground from the JWPCP to one of three areas (White Point, Point Fermin, or the Port of Los Angeles) from where the tunnel will make the onshore-to-offshore transition. Once offshore, the tunnel may extend up to 7 miles seaward and connect to a diffuser via a riser. Alternatively, once offshore, the