

**ELECTION ASSISTANCE COMMISSION****Publication of EAC Decision Regarding State Requests To Include Additional Proof-of-Citizenship Instructions on the National Mail Voter Registration Form**

**AGENCY:** U.S. Election Assistance Commission (EAC).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Election Assistance Commission (EAC) hereby causes to be published in the **Federal Register** this notice in reference to the *Memorandum Of Decision Concerning State Requests To Include Additional Proof-Of-Citizenship Instructions On The National Mail Voter Registration Form (Docket No. Eac 2013 0004)*. The decision, issued January 17, 2014, is posted on the EAC Web site at [www.eac.gov](http://www.eac.gov) (shortened link: <http://1.usa.gov/1mdWASw>), and also on the Federal eRulemaking portal, [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov), at the following link: <http://www.regulations.gov/#!documentDetail;D=EAC-2013-0004-0429>. Arizona, Georgia, and Kansas had sought to modify the state-specific instructions on the National Mail Voter Registration Form ("Federal Form") to require that, as a precondition to registering to vote in Federal elections in those states, applicants must provide additional proof of their United States citizenship beyond that currently required by the Federal Form. For the reasons set forth in the decision, the Commission denied the states' requests.

**DATES:** This notice is effective upon publication in the **Federal Register**.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Bryan Whitener, Telephone 301-563-3919 or 1-866-747-1471 (toll-free).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Background:* The EAC's decision followed a Federal court order in a lawsuit brought by Kansas and Arizona challenging the EAC's earlier deferral of a decision on those states' requests to modify the Federal Form's state-specific instructions. See *Kobach v. EAC*, No. 5:13-cv-4095 (D. Kan. Dec. 13, 2013). The district court directed the Commission to take final action on Kansas's and Arizona's requests by January 17, 2014. Because Georgia's request presented similar issues, the EAC also decided to take final action on that request. Before issuing its decision, the EAC solicited public comment on all three states' requests, see 78 Fed. Reg. 77666-67 (Dec. 24, 2013), and reviewed and considered all comments received.

Dated: February 4, 2014.

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**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY****Amended Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement for Remediation of Area IV and the Northern Buffer Zone of the Santa Susana Field Laboratory and Conduct Public Scoping Meetings**

**AGENCY:** Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Amended notice of intent.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) is amending its 2008 notice of intent (NOI) to prepare an environmental impact statement (EIS) under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) for cleanup of Area IV, including the Energy Technology Engineering Center (ETEC), as well as the Northern Buffer Zone of the Santa Susana Field Laboratory (SSFL) (DOE/EIS-0402) in eastern Ventura County, California, approximately 29 miles north of downtown Los Angeles. (DOE's operations bordered the Northern Buffer Zone. DOE is responsible for soil cleanup in Area IV and the Northern Buffer Zone.) Since DOE's 2008 NOI, extensive studies of the site for radiological and chemical contamination have been ongoing and are nearing completion. DOE is proposing a revised scope for the EIS due to the 2010 Administrative Order on Consent (2010 AOC) that DOE and the California Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) signed for soil cleanup, and due to information now available from site characterization. The scope of the EIS would continue to include groundwater remediation consistent with requirements in the 2007 Consent Order for Corrective Action (2007 Consent Order) issued by DTSC. This Amended NOI describes DOE's proposed action and includes cleanup concepts developed by the local community for remediation of SSFL Area IV and the Northern Buffer Zone. In the EIS, DOE will evaluate reasonable alternatives for disposition of radiological facilities and support buildings, remediation of contaminated soil and groundwater, and disposal of all resulting waste at permitted facilities.

DOE is initiating a 30-day public scoping period, during which public scoping meetings are planned for

Calabasas and Simi Valley, California. DOE invites comments from federal and state agencies, state and local governments, Tribal Nations, natural resource trustees, the general public, and other interested parties on the scope of the EIS.

**DATES:** The public scoping period will extend from the date of publication of this notice in the **Federal Register** through March 10, 2014. DOE plans to hold public scoping meetings at the following dates, times, and locations.

- *Simi Valley, California:* Simi Valley City Council Chambers in City Hall, 2929 Tapo Canyon Road, Simi Valley, on February 27, from 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.; and
- *Agoura Hills/Calabasas, California:* Community Center, 27040 Malibu Hills Road, Calabasas, on March 1, from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

DOE will consider all comments received or postmarked by the end of the scoping period. Comments submitted after that date will be considered to the extent practicable. DOE will give equal consideration to written comments and oral comments.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments on the scope of the EIS should be sent to: Ms. Stephanie Jennings, NEPA Document Manager, U.S. Department of Energy, 4100 Guardian Street, Suite 160, Simi Valley, CA 93063 or by fax: (855) 658-8695. Comments may also be submitted by email to [SSFL\\_DOE\\_EIS@emcbc.doe.gov](mailto:SSFL_DOE_EIS@emcbc.doe.gov) (use "Scoping comments" for the subject), or on the ETEC Web site at <http://www.etec.energy.gov>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** To request further information about the EIS or about the public scoping activities, or to be placed on the EIS distribution list, use any of the methods listed under **ADDRESSES**.

For general information concerning the DOE NEPA process, contact Carol Borgstrom, Director, Office of NEPA Policy and Compliance (GC-54), U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20585-0119, email to: [AskNEPA@hq.doe.gov](mailto:AskNEPA@hq.doe.gov), telephone: (202) 586-4600, leave a message at (800) 472-2756, or fax: (202) 586-7031.

This Amended NOI will be available on the internet at: <http://energy.gov/nepa>. This Amended NOI and related information will also be available on the internet at: <http://www.etec.energy.gov>, select the "Characterization & Cleanup" link on the toolbar, and then the "Environmental Impact Statement" link.

Additional information about the SSFL Area IV is available in the following public reading rooms: