

under the ESA, and bird species protected under the Migratory Bird Treaty Act.

NMFS is also evaluating a second type of no-action alternative that considers no Federal funding for field fisheries and ecosystem research activities. This is called the No Research Alternative to distinguish it from the No-Action/Status Quo Alternative. The No-Action/Status Quo Alternative will be used as the baseline to compare all of the other alternatives. Potential direct and indirect effects on the environment are evaluated under each alternative in the DPEA. The environmental effects on the following resources are considered: Physical environment, special resource areas, fish, marine mammals, birds, sea turtles, invertebrates, and the social and economic environment. Cumulative effects of external actions and the contribution of fisheries research activities to the overall cumulative impact on the aforementioned resources is also evaluated in the DPEA for the three main geographic regions in which SEFSC surveys are conducted. NMFS requests comments on the DPEA for Fisheries and Ecosystem Research Conducted and Funded by the National Marine Fisheries Service, Southeast Fisheries Science Center. Please include, with your comments, any supporting data or literature citations that may be informative in substantiating your comment.

Dated: April 15, 2016.

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Director, Southeast Fisheries Science Center, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

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Proposed Collection; Comment Request

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

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the *Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995*, the Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Civil Works announces a proposed public information collection and seeks public comment on the provisions thereof. Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the

agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the information collection on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

DATES: Consideration will be given to all comments received by June 20, 2016.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, identified by docket number and title, by any of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

- *Mail:* ODCMO, Directorate for Oversight and Compliance, 4800 Mark Center Drive, Attn: Mailbox 24, Alexandria, VA 22350-1700.

Instructions: All submissions received must include the agency name, docket number and title for this **Federal Register** document. The general policy for comments and other submissions from members of the public is to make these submissions available for public viewing on the Internet at <http://www.regulations.gov> as they are received without change, including any personal identifiers or contact information.

Any associated form(s) for this collection may be located within this same electronic docket and downloaded for review/testing. Follow the instructions at <http://www.regulations.gov> for submitting comments. Please submit comments on any given form identified by docket number, form number, and title.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request more information on this proposed information collection or to obtain a copy of the proposal and associated collection instruments, please write to the US Army Corps of Engineers, Institute for Water Resources, Casey Building, 8801 Telegraph Road, Alexandria VA 22315 ATTN Meredith Bridgers or call 703-428-8458.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title; Associated Form; and OMB Number: Recreation Compendium of Questions Generic Clearance; OMB Control Number 0710-XXXX.

Needs and Uses: The information collection requirement is necessary for planning and feasibility studies; understanding of recreation visitor demands, experiences and facility use; input to recreation area management and operations; recreation visitation estimation; and economic estimates at US Army Corps of Engineers Water Resource Projects.

Affected Public: Individuals or households, business or other for-profit, not-for-profit institutions, and State, Local or Tribal Government.

Annual Burden Hours: 8,333 hours
Number of Respondents: 25,000
Responses per Respondent: 2
Annual Responses: 50,000
Average Burden per Response: 10 minutes (0.17 hours)

Frequency: On occasion.

Surveys developed from this generic clearance may be delivered by any of the following information collection formats, as well as others not mentioned herein: comment cards, paper surveys (on site, mail, email), web-based surveys, interviews (on site, telephone), or focus groups. Potential respondents may include current or future recreational visitors; regional residents; and stakeholders, state/local government agencies, and dependent industries or businesses that operate in or around USACE Water Resource Projects. Potential respondents may be contacted by mail, phone, or in person and invited to participate in the information collection. Respondents may access collection instruments via technology, paper, or by speaking to a USACE employee or representative. Respondents may return the collection instrument electronically, by paper mail, or orally. Appropriate disclosures (Privacy Act Statement) may be provided to the respondent visually (in writing on paper) or orally (in spoken word by a USACE employee or representative).

Dated: April 15, 2016.

Aaron Siegel,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Defense Policy Board; Notice of Federal Advisory Committee Meeting

AGENCY: Office of the Under Secretary of Defense (Policy), Department of Defense.

ACTION: Federal advisory committee meeting notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Defense (DoD) is publishing this notice to announce the following Federal advisory committee meeting of the Defense Policy Board (DPB). This meeting will be closed to the public.

DATES: *Quarterly Meeting:* Monday, May 9, 2016, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.