

the taking, importing, and exporting of endangered and threatened species (50 CFR parts 222–226).

The applicant proposes to take cetaceans during vessel surveys for the Soundwatch Boater Education program in the in-land waters of Washington to evaluate vessel regulations and guidelines, characterize vessel trends, and prevent vessel disturbances to marine mammals. The primary target species are Southern Resident and transient killer whales (*Orcinus orca*), but additional cetaceans may include fin (*Balaenoptera physalus*), gray (*Eschrichtius robustus*), humpback (*Megaptera novaeangliae*), and minke (*B. acutorostrata*) whales, Dall's (*Phocoenoides dalli*) and harbor (*Phocoena phocoena*) porpoises, and Pacific white-sided dolphins (*Lagenorhynchus obliquidens*). Research activities would include photography, video recording, photo-identification, behavioral observations, and incidental harassment. Take numbers would include up to 100 whales of each killer whale stock, and up to 20 individuals each of all other cetacean species, annually. Five species of non-listed pinnipeds may be harassed incidental to research activities. Please see the take table for complete list of take numbers by species. The permit would be valid for five years from the date of issuance.

In compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*), an initial determination has been made that the activity proposed is categorically excluded from the requirement to prepare an environmental assessment or environmental impact statement.

Concurrent with the publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**, NMFS is forwarding copies of the application to the Marine Mammal Commission and its Committee of Scientific Advisors.

Dated: June 1, 2017.

Donna S. Wieting,

*Director, Office of Protected Resources,
National Marine Fisheries Service.*

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Closed Teleconference Meeting

AGENCY: National Assessment Governing Board, U.S. Department of Education.

ACTION: Notice of a closed teleconference meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice sets forth the agenda for a closed teleconference

meeting of the National Assessment Governing Board (hereafter referred to as Governing Board) to review and take action on nominations for Governing Board vacancies, in accordance with the personnel appointment actions stipulated under § 302(d) of Public Law 107–279.

Due to the need to adhere to the Governing Board's established nominations cycle for Governing Board vacancies, this notice is being posted less than 15 days prior to the meeting.

DATES: Thursday, June 22, 2017, from 3:00 p.m. to 3:45 p.m. EST.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Munira Mwalimu, Executive Officer/ Designated Federal Official of the Governing Board, 800 North Capitol Street NW., Suite 825, Washington, DC 20002, telephone: (202) 357–6938, fax: (202) 357–6945.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Statutory Authority and Function: The Governing Board is established under the National Assessment of Educational Progress Authorization Act, Title III of Public Law 107–279. Information on the Governing Board and its work can be found at www.nagb.gov.

The Governing Board is established to formulate policy for the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP). The Governing Board's congressionally mandated responsibilities include developing appropriate student achievement levels for each grade and subject tested. Based on recommendations from policymakers, educators, and members of the general public, the Governing Board sets specific achievement levels for each subject area and grade assessed on The Nation's Report Card.

Achievement levels are performance standards that show what students should know and be able to do. Results are reported as percentages of students performing at or above the Basic and Proficient levels, and at the Advanced level. Additional information on the Governing Board and memberships terms can be found at <https://www.nagb.gov>.

Notice of the meeting is required under § 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA). The discussion during the teleconference pertains solely to internal personnel rules and practices of an agency and information of a personal nature where disclosure would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy. As such, the discussions are protected by exemptions 2 and 6 of § 552b(c) of Title 5 of the United States Code.

The National Assessment Governing Board will participate in a

teleconference meeting on Thursday, June 22, 2017 from 3:00 p.m.–3:45 p.m. EST. The purpose of the meeting is to review the Nomination Committee's recommendations for the final slate of candidates for the 2017 Governing Board vacancies for terms that begin on October 1, 2017. Following discussion, the Governing Board will take action on the final slate of candidates to be submitted to the Secretary of Education.

Members of the public will have an opportunity to provide written feedback on the closed teleconference meeting in advance of the call at nagb@ed.gov, with the email subject header titled "Teleconference Feedback on Nominations." Comments must be received no later than 12:00 p.m. EST on June 12, 2017.

Dated: June 1, 2017.

William J. Bushaw,

Executive Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Applications for New Awards; Technical Assistance and Dissemination To Improve Services and Results for Children With Disabilities—Technical Assistance Center on Positive Social, Emotional, and Behavioral Outcomes for Young Children With, and at Risk for, Developmental Delays or Disabilities

AGENCY: Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services, Department of Education.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Education is issuing a notice inviting applications for new awards for fiscal year (FY) 2017 for Technical Assistance and Dissemination To Improve Services and Results for Children With Disabilities—Technical Assistance Center on Positive Social, Emotional, and Behavioral Outcomes for Young Children With, and at Risk for, Developmental Delays or Disabilities, Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) number 84.326B.

DATES:

Applications Available: June 7, 2017.
Deadline for Transmittal of Applications: July 24, 2017.

Deadline for Intergovernmental Review: September 20, 2017.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Jennifer Tschantz, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue SW., Room 5143, Potomac Center Plaza, Washington, DC 20202–5108. Telephone: (202) 245–6282.