

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This meeting is being held under the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) of 1972 (5 U.S.C., Appendix, as amended), the Government in the Sunshine Act of 1976 (5 U.S.C. 552b, as amended), and 41 CFR 102–3.140 and 102–3.150.

Purpose of the Meeting: The Advisory Committee on Arlington National Cemetery is an independent Federal advisory committee chartered to provide the Secretary of the Army independent advice and recommendations on Arlington National Cemetery, including, but not limited to, cemetery administration, the erection of memorials at the cemetery, and master planning for the cemetery. The Secretary of the Army may act on the Committee's advice and recommendations.

Agenda: The Committee will convene to deliberate various courses of action and possible recommendations for the Secretary of the Army to consider to keep Arlington National Cemetery open well in to the future as outlined in Public Law 114–158.

Meeting Accessibility: Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552b and 41 CFR 102–3.140 through 102–3.165, and the availability of space, this meeting is open to the public. Seating is on a first-come basis. The Arlington National Cemetery conference room is readily accessible to and usable by persons with disabilities. For additional information about public access procedures, contact Mr. Timothy Keating, the Committee's Alternate Designated Federal Officer, at the email address or telephone number listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section.

Written Statements: Pursuant to 41 CFR 102–3.105(j) and 102–3.140 and section 10(a)(3) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, the public or interested organizations may submit written comments or statements to the Committee, in response to the stated agenda of the open meeting or in regard to the Committee's mission in general. Written comments or statements should be submitted to Mr. Timothy Keating, the Alternate Designated Federal Officer, via electronic mail, the preferred mode of submission, at the address listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section. Each page of the comment or statement must include the author's name, title or affiliation, address, and daytime phone number. Written comments or statements being submitted in response to the agenda set forth in this notice must be received by the Designated Federal Officer at least seven business days prior to the meeting to be

considered by the Committee. The Designated Federal Officer will review all timely submitted written comments or statements with the Committee Chairperson, and ensure the comments are provided to all members of the Committee before the meeting. Written comments or statements received after this date may not be provided to the Committee until its next meeting. Pursuant to 41 CFR 102–3.140(d), the Committee is not obligated to allow a member of the public to speak or otherwise address the Committee during the meeting. Members of the public will be permitted to make verbal comments during the Committee meeting only at the time and in the manner described below. If a member of the public is interested in making a verbal comment at the open meeting, that individual must submit a request, with a brief statement of the subject matter to be addressed by the comment, at least three (3) business days in advance to the Committee's Designated Federal Official, via electronic mail, the preferred mode of submission, at the addresses listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section. The Designated Federal Official will log each request, in the order received, and in consultation with the Committee Chair determine whether the subject matter of each comment is relevant to the Committee's mission and/or the topics to be addressed in this public meeting. A 15-minute period near the end of meeting may be available for public comments. Members of the public who have requested to make a comment and whose comments have been deemed relevant under the process described above, will be allotted no more than three (3) minutes during this period, and will be invited to speak in the order in which their requests were received by the Designated Federal Official.

Brenda S. Bowen,

Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of the Army.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army

Board on Coastal Engineering Research; Notice of Federal Advisory Committee Meeting

AGENCY: Department of the Army, DoD.

ACTION: ACTION: Notice of Federal Advisory Committee Meeting.

SUMMARY: The Department of Defense is publishing this notice to announce that

the following Federal Advisory Committee meeting of the Board on Coastal Engineering Research will take place.

DATES: The Board on Coastal Engineering Research will meet from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. on August 7, 2018 and reconvene from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on August 8, 2018. The Executive Session of the Board will convene from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. on August 9, 2018.

ADDRESSES: All sessions will be held at the Marriott Providence Downtown Hotel Marquis Ballroom, 1 Orms St. Providence, RI 02904. All sessions, including the Executive Session are open to the public. For more information about the Board, please visit <https://chl.erdc.dren.mil/usace-cerb/>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: COL Bryan S. Green, US Army, (601) 634–2513 (Voice), (601) 634–2818 (Facsimile), Bryan.S.Green@usace.army.mil (Email). Mailing address is U.S. Army Engineer, Research and Development Center, Waterways Experiment Station, 3909 Halls Ferry Road, Vicksburg, MS 39180–6199. Website: <https://chl.erdc.dren.mil/usace-cerb/>. The most up-to-date changes to the meeting agenda can be found on the website.

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Purpose of the Meeting: The theme of the meeting is “Coupling Coastal Engineering Solutions with Social & Ecological Predictions.” The purpose of the meeting is to identify Corps coastal research priorities related to the physical, biological, and chemical processes impacting human and ecosystem health as identified in the Future of Nearshore Processes Research paper.

Agenda: On Tuesday morning, August 7, 2018, panel presentations will address Challenges and Successes Managing Northeast Regional Coastal Systems. Presentations will include: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Social & Ecological Predictions; Important

Characteristics of the Northeast Region; Northeast Regional Ocean Plan; Ocean & Coastal Ecosystem Health; and Coastal Resources Management Council's New Scenario based Permitting for Coastal Structures. The day will end with a presentation on; The Natures Conservancy (TNC) Applications of Living Shorelines and Natural and Nature-Based Features in the Northeast for Coastal Resilience.

On Wednesday morning, August 8, 2018, the Board will reconvene to discuss Coastal Research Supporting Social & Ecological Needs. Presentations will include: Research on Long-Term Natural Geomorphologic Evolution of Barrier Islands & Estuaries in Absence of Humans; Ecological Metrics; Predicting the Transport, Transformation and Fate of Sediment and Particle-Bound Nutrients and Contaminates; Research on Coastal Water Quality Addressing the Sources, Transformation, Transport, and Ecology of Biocolloid; Reducing Risk and Improving Resiliency to the Impacts of Climate Variability; Northeast Sediment Sources and Needs; and Conveyance of Risk from Storms and Social Implications of Impacts. The Wednesday afternoon session continues with the State of Knowledge and Research Direction's panel.

Presentations include: Triggers in Rising Seas and Community Flooding; Research Roadmap on Natural and Nature-Based Features; Ecological Modeling and Prediction Uncertainty; Climate Change and Adaptation Planning for Ports; and Urban Flood Prediction: Current Capabilities and Challenges. The Board will meet in Executive Session to discuss ongoing initiatives and future actions on Thursday morning, August 9, 2018.

Meeting Accessibility: Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552b, as amended, and 41 CFR 102-3.140 through 102-3.165, and subject to the availability of space, the meeting is open to the public. Because seating capacity is limited, advance registration is required. For registration requirements please see below.

Oral participation by the public is scheduled for 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, August 8, 2018. The Marriott Providence Downtown Hotel is fully handicap accessible. For additional information about public access procedures, please contact COL Bryan S. Green, the Board's DFO, at the email address or telephone number listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section.

Registration: It is encouraged for individuals who wish to attend the meeting of the Board to register with the DFO by email, the preferred method of contact, no later than July 23, 2018,

using the electronic mail contact information found in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section. The communication should include the registrant's full name, title, affiliation or employer, email address, and daytime phone number. If applicable, include written comments or statements with the registration email.

Written Statements: Pursuant to 41 CFR 102-3.015(j) and 102-3.140 and section 10(a)(3) of the FACA, the public or interested organizations may submit written comments or statements to the Board, in response to the stated agenda of the open meeting or in regard to the Board's mission in general. Written comments or statements should be submitted to COL Bryan S. Green, DFO, via electronic mail, the preferred mode of submission, at the address listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section. Each page of the comment or statement must include the author's name, title or affiliation, address, and daytime phone number. The DFO will review all submitted written comments or statements and provide them to members of the Board for their consideration. Written comments or statements being submitted in response to the agenda set forth in this notice must be received by the DFO at least five business days prior to the meeting to be considered by the Board. The DFO will review all timely submitted written comments or statements with the Board Chairperson and ensure the comments are provided to all members of the Board before the meeting. Written comments or statements received after this date may not be provided to the Board until its next meeting.

Verbal Comments: Pursuant to 41 CFR 102-3.140d, the Board is not obligated to allow a member of the public to speak or otherwise address the Board during the meeting. Members of the public will be permitted to make verbal comments during the Board meeting only at the time and in the manner described below. If a member of the public is interested in making a verbal comment at the open meeting, that individual must submit a request, with a brief statement of the subject matter to be addressed by the comment, at least five business days in advance to the Board's DFO, via electronic mail, the preferred mode of submission, at the address listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section. The DFO will log each request, in the order received, and in consultation with the Board Chair, determine whether the subject matter of each comment is relevant to the Board's mission and/or the topics to be addressed in this public meeting. A 30-minute period near the end of the

meeting will be available for verbal public comments. Members of the public who have requested to make a verbal comment, and whose comments have been deemed relevant under the process described above, will be allotted no more than five minutes during this period, and will be invited to speak in the order in which their requests were received by the DFO.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army

Expeditionary Technology Search (xTechSearch) Prize Competition Announcement

AGENCY: Department of the Army, DoD.

ACTION: Announcement of competition.

SUMMARY: Under the provisions of applicable laws and regulations, the Assistant Secretary of the Army for Acquisition, Logistics and Technology (ASA(ALT)) is announcing the Army Expeditionary Technology Search—xTechSearch Prize Competition—for the Army to enhance engagements with the entrepreneurial funded community, small businesses, and other non-traditional defense partners. The xTechSearch program will provide an opportunity for businesses to pitch novel technology solutions, either a new application for an existing technology or an entirely new technology concept, to the Army.

DATES:

1. July 11, 2018. Deadline for submission of White Paper with xTechSearch Cover Letter registration form.

2. July 30–August 31, 2018. Semifinalists—Up to 125 participants brief xTechSearch panels.

3. October 8–10, 2018. Up to 25 finalists featured at the Association of the United States Army Annual Meeting and Exposition in Washington, DC.

4. April 2019. Capstone Demonstration with Senior Army Leadership.

ADDRESSES: Proposal submissions should be emailed to usarmy.pentagon.hqda-asa-alt.mbx.xtechsearch@mail.mil no later than 11 July 2018. Detailed information can be found at [Challenge.gov](https://www.challenge.gov/challenge/army-expeditionary-technology-search-xtechsearch/): <https://www.challenge.gov/challenge/army-expeditionary-technology-search-xtechsearch/>