Special Accommodations

These hearings are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aid should be directed to M. Jan Saunders, (302) 526–5251, at least 5 days prior to any meeting date.

Authority: 16 U.S.C. 1801 et seq.


Tracey L. Thompson,
Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Jim Seger, Pacific Council; telephone: (503) 820–2416.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: At this meeting, the SaMTAAC will continue to develop alternatives that address obstacles to achieving the goals and objectives of the groundfish trawl catch share plan related to under-attainment of non-sablefish shorebased trawl allocations. The SaMTAAC’s work on alternatives will be presented at the June 2020 Pacific Council meeting.

Although non-emergency issues not contained in the meeting agenda may be discussed, those issues may not be the subject of formal action during this meeting. Action will be restricted to those issues specifically listed in this document and any issues arising after publication of this document that require emergency action under section 305(c) of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, provided the public has been notified of the intent to take final action to address the emergency.

Special Accommodations

The meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Mr. Kris Kleinschmidt (kris.kleinschmidt@noaa.gov) or contact him at (503) 820–2280, extension 412 for technical assistance.

Council address: Pacific Fishery Management Council, 7700 NE Ambassador Place, Suite 101, Portland, OR 97220.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kris Kleinschmidt (kris.kleinschmidt@noaa.gov), (503) 820–2412, at least 10 days prior to the meeting date.

Authority: 16 U.S.C. 1801 et seq.


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of the recommendations made in the report was that the USPTO create and maintain an accurate and comprehensive database containing the official insignia of all federally and state-recognized Native American tribes. In accordance with this recommendation, the Senate Committee on Appropriations directed the USPTO to create this database. The USPTO has established a database to record the official insignia of federally and state-recognized Native American tribes. This database is available at the USPTO's website, as part of the Trademark Electronic Search System (TESS). This information collection includes the information needed by the USPTO to enter an official insignia for a federally or state-recognized Native American tribe into this database of such insignia.

The USPTO database of official tribal insignias provides evidence of what a federally or state-recognized Native American tribe considers to be its official insignia. This information thereby assists trademark examining attorneys in their examination of applications for trademark registration by serving as a reference for determining the registrability of a mark that may falsely suggest a connection to the official insignia of a Native American tribe. The database, included within TESS,1 is available to the public, on the USPTO website, and includes an online help program for using the system. More information about the program is available on the website at https://www.uspto.gov/trademark/laws-regulations/native-american-tribal-insignia.

Tribes are not required to request that their official insignia be included in the database. The entry of an official insignia into the Trademark systems does not confer any rights to the tribe that submitted the insignia, and entry is not the legal equivalent of registering the insignia as a trademark under 15 U.S.C. 1051 et seq. The inclusion of an official tribal insignia in the database does not create any legal presumption of validity or priority, does not carry any of the benefits of federal trademark registration, and is not a determination as to whether a particular insignia would be refused registration as a trademark pursuant to 15 U.S.C. 1051 et seq.

Requests from federally recognized tribes to enter an official insignia into the database must be submitted in writing and include: (1) A depiction of the insignia, including the name of the tribe and the address for correspondence; (2) a copy of the tribal resolution adopting the insignia in question as the official insignia of the tribe; and (3) a statement, signed by an official with authority to bind the tribe, confirming that the insignia included with the request is identical to the official insignia adopted by the tribal resolution.

Requests from state-recognized tribes must also be in writing and include each of the three items described above that are submitted by federally recognized tribes. Additionally, requests from state-recognized tribes must include either: (1) A document issued by a state official that evidences the state’s determination that the entity is a Native American tribe; or (2) a citation to a state statute designating the entity as a Native American tribe.

The USPTO enters insignia that have been properly submitted by federally or state-recognized Native American tribes into the database and does not investigate whether the insignia is actually the official insignia of the tribe making the request.

II. Method of Collection

By email, mail, facsimile, or hand delivery to the USPTO.

III. Data

OMB Number: 0651–0048.

Form Number(s): None.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved information collection.

Affected Public: State, Local, and Tribal governments.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 5 respondents per year.

Estimated Time per Response: 1 hour to complete a request to record an official insignia, including time to prepare the appropriate documents and submit the information to the USPTO.

Estimated Total Annual Respondent Burden Hours: 5 hours.

Estimated Total Annual Respondent (Hourly) Cost Burden: $332. The USPTO expects that the activity in this information collection will be prepared by the tribal counsel. According to data from the Bureau of Labor Statistics' Occupational Employment Statistics program, the mean hourly earnings for local government (excluding schools and hospitals) lawyers (occupational code 23–10111) is $51.02. USPTO estimates a fully burdened rate of $66.32 (salary plus 30% for estimated overhead and benefits).

IV. Request for Comments

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will become a matter of public record.

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1 Trademark Electronic Search System (TESS) http://tmsearch.uspto.gov/bin/gate.exe?f=tess&state=4801\whlpra.1.1.

USPTO invites public comments on:
(a) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;
(b) Accuracy of the agency’s estimate of the burden (including hours and cost) of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
(c) Ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
(d) Ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, e.g., including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

Kimberly Hardy,
Information Collections Officer, Office of the Chief Administrative Officer, United States Patent and Trademark Office.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Air Force

Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement for Proposed Mortar and Artillery Training at Richardson Training Area, Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson, AK

AGENCY: Department of the Air Force, DoD.

ACTION: Notice of Intent.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Air Force (USAF) and the U.S. Army, acting as a Cooperating Agency, are issuing this Notice of Intent to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to assess the potential social, economic, and environmental impacts associated with modifying the conditions under which indirect live-fire weapons training can be conducted at Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson (JBER), in order to meet Army training standards at home station.

DATES: The USAF will conduct formal scoping meetings for the public to learn more about the proposed action, and to provide comments. Scoping meetings will occur in Anchorage and Eagle River on the following dates and times: Monday, April 13, 2020, from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m., at Z.J. Loussac Library (Anchorage Public library) Learning Commons, 3600 Denali Street, Anchorage, Alaska and Tuesday, April 14, 2020, from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m., Eagle River Town Center Community Meeting Room, 12001 Business Blvd., Suite 170, Eagle River, Alaska.

The dates and times of scoping meetings will also be posted on the project website and will be announced in local newspapers of general circulation no less than 15 days prior to the meetings.

ADDRESSES: The project website (https://JBER-PMART-EIS.com) provides more information on the EIS and can be used to submit scoping comments. Scoping comments may also be submitted to: JBER Public Affairs, JBER.PA@US.AF.MIL, (907) 552–8151; (U.S. Post Office) JBER Public Affairs c/o Matthew Beattie, 10480 Sijan Ave., Suite 123, Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson, AK 99506. Comments will be accepted at any time during the EIS process. To ensure the USAF has sufficient time to consider public input in the preparation of the Draft EIS, scoping comments should be submitted to the website or the address listed above by April 26, 2020.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The EIS will evaluate the potential impacts associated with the proposed action, which includes indirect live-fire training during all-seasons at the Eagle River Flats (ERF) Impact Area on JBER, a military base in Alaska, in order to fully meet Army training standards. The proposed action also includes expansion of the ERF impact area by approximately 585 acres. In addition, the EIS will evaluate an action alternative that would marginally meet Army training standards, and would not include expansion of the ERF impact area. The no action alternative will also be evaluated in the EIS, under which the Army would continue to train with the existing seasonal restrictions and which would require JBER home station units to deploy to other Army-controlled training lands to conduct required training. The USAF is the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) lead agency and the U.S. Army is a cooperating agency for this EIS process.

A Notice of Intent for a similar action was issued in 2007; however, this Notice of Intent supersedes the Notice of Intent that was issued in 2007.

Additional review and consultation which will be incorporated into the preparation of the Draft EIS will include, but are not necessarily limited to consultation under Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act and consultation under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act.

The proposed actions at JBER have the potential to be located in a floodplain and/or wetland. Consistent with the requirements and objectives of Executive Order (E.O.) 11990, “Protection of Wetlands,” and E.O. 11988, “Floodplain Management,” state and federal regulatory agencies with special expertise in wetlands and floodplains will be contacted to request comment. Consistent with E.O. 11988 and E.O. 11990, this Notice of Intent initiates early public review of the proposed actions and alternatives, which have the potential to be located in a floodplain and/or wetland.

Scoping and Agency Coordination: To effectively define the full range of issues to be evaluated in the EIS, the Air Force will determine the scope of the analysis by soliciting comments from interested local, state, and federal elected officials and agencies, Alaska Native organizations, as well as interested members of the public and others. This is being done by providing a website where the public can submit comments and/or by having comments mailed to the mailing address provided above.

Adriane Paris,
Acting Air Force Federal Register Liaison Officer.

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DEFENSE NUCLEAR FACILITIES SAFETY BOARD

Notice of Public Hearing Postponement

AGENCY: Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board.

ACTION: Postponement of Public Hearing.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board has postponed the Public Hearing previously scheduled for March 19, 2020, in Aiken, South Carolina.

DATES: The new date will be in approximately three to six months and will be announced in the Federal Register and https://www.dnfsb.gov as soon as possible.

ADDRESSES: The location of the Public Hearing will be announced in the Federal Register and https://www.dnfsb.gov along with the new date.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Tara Tadlock, Manager of Board Operations, Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board, 625 Indiana Avenue NW, Suite 700, Washington, DC 20004–2901, (800) 788–4016. This is a toll-free number.