

asked FRA to suspend its field investigation of BNSF's extension request until the railroad reviewed and addressed the issues through the Test Committee established per the terms of the existing relief in this docket.<sup>3</sup> Given BNSF's request, on October 6, 2022, FRA dismissed BNSF's petition to allow the railroad time to correct the identified issues.<sup>4</sup> In a letter dated June 14, 2023, BNSF notified FRA that it had addressed the issues identified and BNSF reiterated its requests to extend and make permanent the existing relief in this docket.<sup>5</sup>

A copy of the petitions from UPRR, CN, and BNSF, as well as any written communications concerning the petitions, are available for review online at [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov).

Interested parties are invited to participate in these proceedings by submitting written views, data, or comments. FRA does not anticipate scheduling a public hearing in connection with these proceedings since the facts do not appear to warrant a hearing. If any interested party desires an opportunity for oral comment and a public hearing, they should notify FRA, in writing, before the end of the comment period and specify the basis for their request.

All communications concerning these proceedings should identify the appropriate docket number and may be submitted at <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the online instructions for submitting comments.

Communications received by February 20, 2024 will be considered by FRA before final action is taken. Comments received after that date will be considered if practicable. Anyone can search the electronic form of any written communications and comments received into any of our dockets by the name of the individual submitting the comment (or signing the document, if submitted on behalf of an association, business, labor union, etc.). Under 5 U.S.C. 553(c), DOT solicits comments from the public to better inform its processes. DOT posts these comments, without edit, including any personal information the commenter provides, to [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov), as described in the system of records notice (DOT/ALL-14 FDMS), which can be reviewed at <https://www.transportation.gov/privacy>. See also <https://www.regulations.gov/privacy-notice> for the privacy notice of [regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov).

<sup>3</sup> <https://www.regulations.gov/document/FRA-2016-0086-0019>.

<sup>4</sup> <https://www.regulations.gov/document/FRA-2016-0086-0020>.

<sup>5</sup> <https://www.regulations.gov/document/FRA-2016-0086-0025>.

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**John Karl Alexy,**

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Chief Safety Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Maritime Administration

#### Decommissioning and Disposition of the National Historic Landmark Nuclear Ship Savannah; Notice of Public Meeting

**AGENCY:** Maritime Administration, Department of Transportation.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Maritime Administration (MARAD) announces a public meeting of the Peer Review Group (PRG). The PRG was established pursuant to the requirements of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) and its implementing regulations to plan for the decommissioning and disposition of the Nuclear Ship Savannah (NSS). PRG membership is comprised of officials from the U.S. Department of Transportation, MARAD, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC), the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (ACHP), and the Maryland State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO) and other consulting parties. The public meeting affords the public an opportunity to participate in PRG activities, including reviewing and providing comments on draft deliverables. MARAD encourages public participation and provides the PRG meeting information below.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 16, 2024, from 2:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Eastern Standard Time (EST). Requests to attend the meeting must be received by 5:00 p.m. EST one week before the meeting, Tuesday, January 9, 2024, to facilitate entry or to receive instructions to participate online. Requests for accommodations for a disability must also be received one week before the meeting, Tuesday, January 9, 2024.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held onboard the NSS, online, or by phone. The NSS is located at Pier 13 Canton Marine Terminal, 4601 Newgate Avenue, Baltimore, MD 21124. To attend onboard the NSS or attend the meeting online, members of the public must submit a request to attend as described in the Public Participation section below. Online information will be provided to members of the public in response to their requests to attend.

Members of the public may call-in using the following number: 312-600-3163 and entering conference ID: 930 866 814#.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Erhard W. Koehler, (202) 680-2066 or via email at [marad.history@dot.gov](mailto:marad.history@dot.gov). You may send mail to N.S. Savannah/Savannah Technical Staff, Pier 13 Canton Marine Terminal, 4601 Newgate Avenue, Baltimore, MD 21224, ATTN: Erhard Koehler.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### I. Background

The decommissioning and disposition of the NSS is an Undertaking under Section 106 of the NHPA. Section 106 requires that federal agencies consider views of the public regarding their Undertakings; therefore, in 2020, MARAD established a Federal docket at <https://www.regulations.gov/docket/MARAD-2020-0133> to provide public notice about the NSS Undertaking. The federal docket was also used in 2021 to solicit public comments on the future uses of the NSS. MARAD is continuing to use this same docket to take in public comment, share information, and post agency actions.

The NHPA Programmatic Agreement (PA) for the Decommissioning and Disposition of the NSS is available on the MARAD docket located at [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) under docket id "MARAD-2020-0133." The PA stipulates a deliberative process by which MARAD will consider the disposition of the NSS. This process requires MARAD to make an affirmative, good-faith effort to preserve the NSS. The PA also establishes the PRG in Stipulation II. The PRG is the mechanism for continuing consultation during the effective period of the PA and its members consist of the signatories and concurring parties to the PA, as well as other consulting parties. The PRG members will provide individual input and guidance to MARAD regarding the implementation of stipulations in the PA. PRG members and members of the public are invited to provide input by attending bi-monthly meetings and reviewing and commenting on deliverables developed as part of the PA.

##### II. Agenda

The agenda will include (1) welcome and introductions; (2) program update; (3) status of PA stipulations; (4) other business; and (5) date of next meeting. The agenda topic titled PA stipulations involves deliverables identified in the PA. MARAD will provide status updates for the following items: the Disposition

Alternatives Study; the Notice of Availability/Request for Information; and the License Termination Plan. The agenda will also be posted on MARAD’s website at <https://www.maritime.dot.gov/outreach/history/maritime-administration-history-program> and on the MARAD docket located at [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) under docket id “MARAD–2020–0133.”

**III. Public Participation**

The meeting will be open to the public. Members of the public who wish to attend in person or online must submit a request to attend to the person listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section with your name and affiliation. Members of the public may also call-in using the following number: 312–600–3163 and conference ID: 930 866 814#.

*Special services.* The NSS is not compliant with the Americans with

Disabilities Act (ADA). The ship has some capability to accommodate persons with impaired mobility. If you require accommodations to attend PRG meetings in-person, please contact the person listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section. The U.S. Department of Transportation is committed to providing all participants equal access to this meeting. If you need alternative formats or services such as sign language, interpretation, or other ancillary aids, please contact the person listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section.

(Authority: 49 CFR 1.81 and 1.93, 36 CFR part 800, 5 U.S.C. 552b.)

By Order of the Maritime Administrator.  
**T. Mitchell Hudson, Jr.,**  
*Secretary, Maritime Administration.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS**

**Veterans and Community Oversight and Engagement Board, Notice of Meeting**

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) gives notice under the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), 5 U.S.C. ch. 10, that the Veterans and Community Oversight and Engagement Board (Board) will meet on January 31–February 1, 2024, at the VA Greater Los Angeles Healthcare System (VAGLAHS), 11301 Wilshire Boulevard, Building 500, Room 1281, Los Angeles, CA. The meeting sessions will begin and end as follows:

Date(s):	Time(s):	Location(s):	Open session
January 31, 2024 .....	8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.—Pacific Daylight Time (PDT).	VAGLAHS Facility/WEBEX link and call-in information below.	Yes.
January 31, 2024 .....	12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.—Pacific Daylight Time (PDT).	VAGLAHS Facility .....	No.
February 1, 2024 .....	8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.—PDT .....	VAGLAHS Facility/WEBEX link and call-in information below.	Yes.

The meetings are open to the public and will be recorded. Sessions are open to the public, except during the time the Board is conducting tours of VA facilities. Tours of VA facilities are closed, to protect Veterans’ privacy and personal information, in accordance with 5 U.S.C 552b(c)(6).

The Board was established by the West Los Angeles Leasing Act of 2016 on September 29, 2016. The purpose of the Board is to provide advice and make recommendations to the Secretary of Veterans Affairs on identifying the goals of the community and Veteran partnership; improving services and outcomes for Veterans, members of the Armed Forces, and the families of such Veterans and members; and on the implementation of the Draft Master Plan approved by VA Secretary on January 28, 2016, and on the creation and implementation of any successor master plans.

On Wednesday, January 31, 2024, from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. PDT, the Board will meet in open session with key staff of VAGLAHS. The Advisory Committee Management Office will present, FACA 101 training. The agenda will include opening remarks from the Committee Chair, Executive Sponsor, and other VA officials. There will be a general update from the Director of

VAGLAHS. The Designated Federal Officer will provide an update on the status of recommendation packages. The Board will receive an overview of matters associated with the new Hospital Construction from Office of Construction and Facilities Management. From 12:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. PDT, the Board will convene with a closed tour of VAGLAHS. Tours of VA facilities are closed to protect Veterans’ privacy and personal information, in accordance with 5 U.S.C 552b(c)(6).

On Thursday February 1, 2024, the Board will reconvene in open session from 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. PDT, at the VAGLAHS facility. The Office of Asset Enterprise Management will provide a comprehensive presentation on the Principal Developer’s contractual relationships, terms, conditions, and commitments for permanent supportive housing to include any negotiations regarding Town Center development construction. The Office of General Counsel, Real Property Group will provide an overview of policies that govern the rights to public access on VA medical and residential facilities.

Time will be allocated for receiving public comments on February 1, at 1:45 p.m. PDT. Individuals wishing to make public comments should contact Chihung Szeto at (562) 708–9959 or at

*Chihung.Szeto@va.gov* and are requested to submit a 1–2-page summary of their comments for inclusion in the official meeting record. Only those members of the public (first 12 public comment registrants) who have confirmed registrations to provide public comment will be allowed to provide public comment. In the interest of time, each speaker will be held to 5-minute time limit. The Committee will accept written comments from interested parties on issues outlined in the meeting agenda, from February 2 through February 9, 2024. Members of the public not able to attend in person can attend the meeting via WEBEX by joining from the meeting link below. The link will be active from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. PDT on January 31, 2024, and from 8:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. PDT on February 1, 2024.

**Day 1**

Veteran Community Oversight and Engagement Board (VCOEB) Meeting (January 31–February 1, 2024)  
 Hosted by Walsh, Margaret K. (ERPI)  
<https://veteransaffairs.webex.com/veteransaffairs/j.php?MTID=m58910f86b693a33153cc01165f45e6c2>  
 Wednesday, January 31, 2024 11:00