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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Navy

Notice of Public Hearing for a Joint Draft Environmental Impact Statement/Environmental Impact Report for Disposal and Reuse of Marine Corps Air Station, Tustin, CA

AGENCY: Department of the Navy, DOD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Navy, United States Marine Corps and the City of Tustin, Orange County, California have prepared and filed with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, a Joint Draft Environmental Impact Statement/Environmental Impact Report (EIS/EIR) for the disposal and reuse of Marine Corps Air Station (MCAS) Tustin, located in Tustin and Irvine, California. In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and the Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) Regulations (40 CFR parts 1500-1508) and the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) (Calif. Public Resources Code Sec. et seq. 21000), this notice announces the dates and locations of public hearings for the DEIS/EIR.

DATES: The meeting date is Thursday, August 11, 1999, at 7:00 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting location will be held at the Tustin City Council Chambers, Tustin Civic Center, 300 Centennial Way, Tustin, California 92780.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Additional information concerning this notice may be obtained by contacting Ms. Melanie Ault, Environmental Planner, Naval Facilities Engineering Command, Base Realignment and Closure Operations Office, 1220 Pacific Highway, San Diego, California 92132-5190, telephone (619) 532-4744.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Draft EIS/EIR has been distributed to various Federal, state, and local agencies, as well as other interested individuals and organizations. In addition, copies of the Draft EIS/EIR have been distributed to the following libraries for public review:

Tustin Library, 345 E. Main Street, Tustin, CA; Heritage Park Regional Library, 14361 Yale Avenue, Irvine, CA; and the University of California, Irvine, Government Information Department, Main Library, contact: Yvonne Wilson, (949) 824-7362. Additional copies may be requested by contacting Mr. Dana Ogdon at (714) 573-3116.

The federal action evaluated in the Draft EIS/EIR is the disposal and reuse of approximately 1585 acres, MCAS Tustin property which has been declared surplus. An approximate 17-acre parcel of MCAS Tustin was not declared surplus and will remain in federal ownership as an Army Reserve Center.

Under NEPA and Defense Base Closure and Realignment Act (DBCRA), the DON has two disposal options for MCAS Tustin; no action or disposal of the surplus 1585 acres.

Under the No Action Alternative, DON would retain ownership of the surplus federal property. DON properties have been closed, all mission-related activities have ceased, and all buildings are vacant. Site environmental cleanup would continue until completed. This caretaker condition would remain indefinitely.

The local action is the reuse of MCAS Tustin under an economically viable and balanced reuse plan that will provide housing and employment opportunities, solve existing community circulation and recreation parkland deficiencies, and generate sufficient revenue to support the investment in infrastructure required for reuse of the site. The City of Tustin, acting as the Local Redevelopment Authority (LRA), included the Army Reserve Center and a privately-owned parcel within the boundaries of the reuse plan in order to provide zoning and general plan designations. Therefore, the local action includes approximately 1602 acres, which includes 95 acres within the City of Irvine.

The City of Tustin, as the local lead agency may certify the EIS/EIR to implement a civilian reuse plan, i.e., amend the City of Tustin General Plan, amend its Zoning Ordinance, and adopt a Specific Plan and other discretionary actions. The City of Irvine has assigned lead agency responsibility for the preparation of the EIS/EIR to the City of Tustin as it affects MCAS Tustin property in Irvine. Under CEQA statute, the City of Irvine is considered a responsible agency, and may certify the EIS/EIR to adopt similar discretionary actions needed to implement the Reuse Plan for MCAS Tustin property located within Irvine's jurisdictional boundary.

Federal disposal would precede implementation of the reuse alternatives. Three reuse alternatives are evaluated in detail in the Draft EIS/EIR: LRA Reuse Alternative; Arterial Grid Pattern/No Core/High Residential; and Arterial Loop Pattern/Reserve Area/Low Residential.

The LRA Reuse Alternative would result in a maximum of 4,601 dwelling units; Transitional/Emergency Housing for the homeless; an Urban Regional Park developed around the northern blimp hangar; a large Community Core developed with mixed uses; and specialized educational, social service, and law enforcement facilities within a Learning Village; and a Golf Village with hotel and ancillary retail uses. It would permit reuse of some of the recreational facilities and 1537 housing units. Approximately 11.4 million square feet of non-residential uses such as commercial business, light industrial, public and recreation uses (approximately 2.2 million feet is existing floor area on the base and 9.2 million square feet is potential new floor area) would be developed. Both of the blimp hangars could be reused, if financially feasible. The project also will include the extension of major arterials through the base including Tustin Ranch Road to Von Karman, Warner Avenue from Red Hill Avenue to west of Jamboree Road and creation of a secondary interior loop roadway and local roadways to facilitate local circulation.

The Arterial Grid Pattern/No Core/High Residential would result in a maximum of 6205 dwelling units; approximately 9.2 million square feet of commercial and business uses, Village Mixed-Uses, and Public Institutional/Commercial functions (approximately 1.5 million square feet is existing floor area and 7.7 million square feet is potential new floor area). A large Cultural Center would be developed and the northern blimp hangar would be incorporated, if financially feasible, and be reused to support regional cultural activities in the form of special events center, museum, or other permitted uses. The southern blimp hangar would be demolished. The project also will include the extension of major arterials through the base including Tustin Ranch Road to Von Karman, Warner Avenue from Red Hill Avenue to west of Jamboree Road and creation of a secondary arterial grid pattern road network to facilitate local circulation.

The Arterial Loop Pattern/Reserve Area/Low Residential would result in a maximum of 4340 dwelling units, approximately 10.9 million square feet of commercial, institutional, and

recreational uses (approximately 1.5 million square feet is existing floor area and 9.4 million square feet is potential new floor area). A large Cultural Center would be developed and would incorporate the northern blimp hangar, if financially feasible. It would also include a Reserve Area for residential, commercial/business, and institutional uses in large-scale development. A large golf course would also be developed. The project also will include the extension of major arterials through the base including Tustin Ranch Road to Von Karman, Warner Avenue from Red Hill Avenue to west of Jamboree Road and creation of a secondary interior loop roadway and local roadways to facilitate local circulation.

The Draft EIS/EIR analyses potential environmental impacts relating to land use; socioeconomic; utilities; public services and facilities; aesthetics; cultural and paleontological resources; biological resources; agricultural resources; soils and geology; water resources; hazardous wastes, substances, and materials; traffic/circulation; air quality; and noise. Potentially significant and not mitigable impacts associated with the three reuse alternatives are related to conversion of Farmland, elimination of two historic districts, demolition of historic blimp hangars (possibly one or both hangars), air quality emissions, and traffic/circulation.

The Marine Corps and the City of Tustin will conduct a public hearing on Thursday, August 11, at 7:00 p.m. for those individuals who would like to provide written or oral comments on the Draft EIS/EIR. A brief presentation will precede a request for public information and comments. Marine Corps and City representatives will be available at the hearing to receive information and comments regarding environmental issues of concern. Federal, state, and local agencies and interested parties are invited and urged to be present or represented at the hearing. Oral statements will be heard and transcribed by a stenographer. To assure accuracy of the record, all comments should also be submitted in writing. In the interest of time and to ensure all who wish to give an oral statement have the opportunity to do so, speakers are requested to limit their comments to three minutes. If longer statements are to be presented, they should be summarized at the public hearing and submitted in writing either at the hearing or mailed or faxed to Mr. Dana Ogdon, Senior Project Manager, City of Tustin, 300 Centennial Way, Tustin, California 92780, telephone (714) 573-3116, fax (714) 573-3113.

Written comments must be postmarked by August 22, 1999. All comments, both oral and written, will become part of the public record in the EIS/EIR.

Dated: July 16, 1999.

Ralph W. Corey,

Commander, Judge Advocate General's Corps, U.S. Navy, Alternate Federal Register Liaison Officer.

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DENALI COMMISSION

Denali Commission Work Plan for Federal Fiscal Year 1999 and 2000

ACTION: Notice and opportunity for public comment.

SUMMARY: The Denali Commission was established by The Denali Commission Act of 1998 (Pub. L. 105-277, 112 Stat. 2681-637) to deliver the services of Federal Government in the most cost-effective manner practicable to communities throughout rural Alaska, many of which suffer from unemployment rates in excess of 50%. Its purposes include, but are not limited to, providing necessary rural utilities and other infrastructure that promote health, safety and economic self-sufficiency.

The Denali Commission Act requires that the Commission develop proposed work plans for future spending. In accordance with the Act, the Commission solicited project proposals from local governments and other entities, and released its work plans for both Fiscal Year 1999 and Fiscal Year 2000. The Act further requires that the Commission publish the Fiscal Year 2000 work plan in the **Federal Register** for a 30-day period, providing an opportunity for public review and comment.

This **Federal Register** Notice serves to announce the 30-day opportunity for public comment on the Denali Commission Work Plan for Federal Fiscal Year 2000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Jeffrey Staser, Federal Co-Chairman, Denali Commission, 510 L Street, Suite 410, Anchorage, Alaska 99501, Phone: (907) 271-1414, Fax: (907) 271-1415, Email: JStaser@denali.gov <http://www.denali.gov>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Copies of the Denali Commission Work Plan can be obtained by contacting the Denali Commission as provided in the **FOR**

FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT section above.

Jeffrey Staser,

Federal Co-Chairman.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

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Rehabilitation Training: Rehabilitation Long-Term Training; Inviting Applications for New Awards for Fiscal Year (FY) 2000

Purpose of Program: The Rehabilitation Long-Term Training program provides financial assistance for—

(1) Projects that provide basic or advanced training leading to an academic degree in areas of personnel shortages in rehabilitation as identified by the Secretary;

(2) Projects that provide a specified series of courses or program of study leading to award of a certificate in areas of personnel shortages in rehabilitation as identified by the Secretary; and

(3) Projects that provide support for medical residents enrolled in residency training programs in the specialty of physical medicine and rehabilitation.

Eligible Applicants: State agencies and other public or nonprofit agencies and organizations, including Indian Tribes and institutions of higher education, are eligible for assistance under the Rehabilitation Long-Term Training program.

Deadline for Transmittal of Applications: September 17, 1999.

Deadline for Intergovernmental Review: November 16, 1999.

Applications Available: July 23, 1999.

Estimated Available Funds: \$3,600,000.

Estimated Range of Awards: \$75,000 to \$100,000.

Estimated Average Size of Awards: \$100,000.

Estimated Number of Awards: 37.

Note: The Department is not bound by any estimates in this notice.

Applicable Regulations: (a) The Education Department General Administrative Regulations (EDGAR) in 34 CFR parts 74, 75, 77, 79, 80, 81, 82, 85, and 86; and (b) The regulations for this program in 34 CFR parts 385 and 386.

Page Limit: Part III of the application, the application narrative, is where you, the applicant, address the selection criteria used by reviewers in evaluating