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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Department of the Army; Corps of Engineers

#### Estuary Habitat Restoration Council

**AGENCY:** Army Corps of Engineers, DoD.  
**ACTION:** Notice of open meeting.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with Section 105(h) of the Estuary Restoration Act of 2000, (Title I, Public Law 106-457), announcement is made of the forthcoming meeting of the Estuary Habitat Restoration Council. The meeting is open to the public.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on Friday, October 26, 2001.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be in room 3M60/70, 441 G Street, NW., Washington, DC.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ms. Ellen Cummings, Headquarters, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Washington, DC 20314-1000, (202) 761-4558; or Ms. Cynthia Garman-Squier, Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Army (Civil Works), Washington, DC (202) 512-6668.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Estuary Habitat Restoration Council consists of representatives of five agencies. These are the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Environmental Protection Agency, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of Agriculture, and Army. Among the duties of the Council is development of a national estuary restoration strategy designed in part to meet the goal of restoring one million acres by 2010. At this first meeting of the Council, procedural matters will be decided, and a framework for conducting Council business will be established.

Current security measures require that persons interested in attending the meeting must pre-register with us before 2 p.m. October 24, 2001. Please contact Ellen Cummings at 202-761-4558 to pre-register. The public should enter on the "G" Street side of the GAO building. All attendees are required to show photo identification and must be escorted to the meeting room by Corps personnel. Attendee's bags and other possessions are subject to being

searched. All attendees arriving between one-half hour before and one-half hour after 10:30 a.m. will be escorted to the hearing. Those that are not pre-registered and/or arriving later than the allotted time will be unable to attend the public hearing.

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## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

### Notice of Proposed Information Collection Requests

**AGENCY:** Department of Education.

**SUMMARY:** The Leader, Regulatory Information Management Group, Office of the Chief Information Officer, invites comments on the proposed information collection requests as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

**DATES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before December 17, 2001.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35) requires that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) provide interested Federal agencies and the public an early opportunity to comment on information collection requests. OMB may amend or waive the requirement for public consultation to the extent that public participation in the approval process would defeat the purpose of the information collection, violate State or Federal law, or substantially interfere with any agency's ability to perform its statutory obligations. The Leader, Regulatory Information Management Group, Office of the Chief Information Officer, publishes that notice containing proposed information collection requests prior to submission of these requests to OMB. Each proposed information collection, grouped by office, contains the following: (1) Type of review requested, e.g. new, revision, extension, existing or reinstatement; (2) Title; (3) Summary of the collection; (4) Description of the need for, and proposed use of, the information; (5) Respondents and frequency of collection; and (6) Reporting and/or Recordkeeping burden. OMB invites public comment.

The Department of Education is especially interested in public comment addressing the following issues: (1) Is this collection necessary to the proper functions of the Department; (2) will this information be processed and used in a timely manner; (3) is the estimate

of burden accurate; (4) how might the Department enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (5) how might the Department minimize the burden of this collection on the respondents, including through the use of information technology.

Dated: October 12, 2001.

**John Tressler,**  
*Leader, Regulatory Information Management, Office of the Chief Information Officer.*

### Office of the Undersecretary

*Type of Review:* New.

*Title:* Reading Excellence Act: School and Classroom Implementation and Impact Study.

*Frequency:* Annually.

*Affected Public:* State, local, or tribal gov't, SEAs or LEAs; Federal Government.

*Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:*

Responses: 4,090.

Burden Hours: 3,192.

*Abstract:* The Reading Excellence Act School and Classroom Implementation and Impact Study (REA-SCII) is a six-year study to learn about the implementation and impact of the REA legislation on instructional practice in reading and on student reading achievement. The study has three components: (1) A large-scale study in which survey data are collected from teachers, principals, and district staff from a nationally-representative random sample of 400 REA schools; and (2) an in-depth study of a subset of 60 schools in which we will collect data from classroom observation as well as measures of student reading; and (3) in-depth case studies in ten REA-funded schools in which we will collect data from classroom observation, teacher interviews, and focus groups.

Requests for copies of the proposed information collection request may be accessed from <http://edicsweb.ed.gov>, or should be addressed to Vivian Reese, Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., Room 4050, Regional Office Building 3, Washington, DC 20202-4651. Requests may also be electronically mailed to the Internet address [OCIO\\_RIMG@ed.gov](mailto:OCIO_RIMG@ed.gov) or faxed to 202-708-9346. Please specify the complete title of the information collection when making your request. Comments regarding burden and/or the collection activity requirements should be directed to Jacqueline Montague at (202) 708-5359 or via her Internet address [Jackie.Montague@ed.gov](mailto:Jackie.Montague@ed.gov). Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information

Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339.

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## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

### Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

**AGENCY:** Department of Education.

**SUMMARY:** The Acting Leader, Regulatory Information Management Group, Office of the Chief Information Officer invites comments on the submission for OMB review as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

**DATES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before November 19, 2001.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments should be addressed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Cristal Thomas, Desk Officer, Department of Education, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street, NW., Room 10202, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503 or should be electronically mailed to the Internet address [CAThomas@omb.eop.gov](mailto:CAThomas@omb.eop.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35) requires that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) provide interested Federal agencies and the public an early opportunity to comment on information collection requests. OMB may amend or waive the requirement for public consultation to the extent that public participation in the approval process would defeat the purpose of the information collection, violate State or Federal law, or substantially interfere with any agency's ability to perform its statutory obligations. The Acting Leader, Regulatory Information Management Group, Office of the Chief Information Officer, publishes that notice containing proposed information collection requests prior to submission of these requests to OMB. Each proposed information collection, grouped by office, contains the following: (1) Type of review requested, e.g. new, revision, extension, existing or reinstatement; (2) Title; (3) Summary of the collection; (4) Description of the need for, and proposed use of, the information; (5) Respondents and frequency of collection; and (6) Reporting and/or Recordkeeping burden. OMB invites public comment.

Dated: October 12, 2001.

**William Burrow,**

*Acting Leader, Regulatory Information Management, Office of the Chief Information Officer.*

### Office of Student Financial Assistance Programs

*Type of Review:* Revision.

*Title:* Student Aid Report.

*Frequency:* Annually.

*Affected Public:* Individuals or households.

*Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:*

Responses: 16,807,154.

Burden Hours: 4,462,468.

*Abstract:* The Student Aid Report (SAR) is used to notify all applicants of their eligibility to receive Federal student aid for postsecondary education. The form is submitted by the applicant to the institution of their choice.

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Comments regarding burden and/or the collection activity requirements should be directed to Joseph Schubart at (202) 708-9266 or via his Internet address [Joe.Schubart@ed.gov](mailto:Joe.Schubart@ed.gov). Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339.

### Office of Student Financial Assistance Programs

*Type of Review:* Reinstatement, with change, of a previously approved collection for which approval has expired.

*Title:* Federal Perkins/NDSL Loan Assignment Form (JS)

*Frequency:* On occasion.

*Affected Public:* Not-for-profit institutions (primary), Individuals or household (primary), Businesses or other for-profit.

*Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:*

Responses: 21262.

Burden Hours: 10631.

*Abstract:* This form is used to collect pertinent data regarding defaulted student loans from institutions participating in the Federal Perkins

Loan Program. The ED Form 553 serves as the transmittal document in the assignment of such defaulted loans to the Federal government for collection.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Office of Civilian Radioactive Waste Management

#### Site Recommendation Consideration Process—Extended Hours for Las Vegas Science Center

**AGENCY:** Office of Civilian Radioactive Waste Management, Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Notice of extended hours for receiving comments on site recommendation consideration for Yucca Mountain.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Energy (the Department) has announced in a separate **Federal Register** notice published on October 2, 2001, that its Las Vegas Science Center will be used to receive public comments on the possible recommendation of the Yucca Mountain Site in Nevada for development as a spent nuclear fuel and high-level radioactive waste geologic repository. This notice announces that the Las Vegas Science Center will have extended hours to receive comments on October 19, the last day of the public comment period.

**DATES:** Starting on September 26, 2001, and continuing through October 19, 2001, the Las Vegas Science Center will be open from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday through Friday, and on Saturdays, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Hours will be extended on Friday, October 19 to accommodate