

these species stress the need for a clarification of stock identity issues and determination of habitat needs and primary foraging areas. Project III also entails the salvage, import and export of marine turtle parts, specimens and biological samples.

In addition to import/export/re-export authorization for biological samples collected during the research activities, the Applicant requests authorization to import/export/re-export parts, salvaged specimens and biological samples or salvaged parts and specimens collected by other researchers under their own authorization.

782-1719 – National Marine Mammal Laboratory submitted a complete application on May 21, 2003 to take various cetacean species during stock assessment research activities. The application was published in the **Federal Register** on June 4, 2003 (68 FR 33477). The applicant has submitted a supplemental request to that application to take endangered marine mammals in the Antarctic.

Written comments or requests for a public hearing on these applications should be mailed to the Chief, Permits, Conservation and Education Division, F/PR1, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Room 13705, Silver Spring, MD 20910. Those individuals requesting a hearing should set forth the specific reasons why a hearing on this particular request would be appropriate.

Comments may also be submitted by facsimile at (301)713-0376, provided the facsimile is confirmed by hard copy submitted by mail and postmarked no later than the closing date of the comment period. Please note that comments will not be accepted by e-mail or by other electronic media.

Concurrent with the publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**, NMFS is forwarding copies of this application to the Marine Mammal Commission and its Committee of Scientific Advisors.

Documents for both applications may be reviewed in the following locations:

Permits, Conservation and Education Division, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Room 13705, Silver Spring, MD 20910; phone (301)713-2289; fax (301)713-0376; and

Assistant Regional Administrator for Protected Resources, Northwest Region, NMFS, 7600 Sand Point Way NE, BIN C15700, Bldg. 1, Seattle, WA 98115-0700; phone (206)526-6150; fax (206)526-6426;

Assistant Regional Administrator for Protected Resources, Alaska Region, NMFS, P.O. Box 21668, Juneau, AK

99802-1668; phone (907)586-7235; fax (907)586-7012;

Assistant Regional Administrator for Protected Resources, Southwest Region, NMFS, 501 West Ocean Blvd., Suite 4200, Long Beach, CA 90802-4213; phone (562)980-4020; fax (562)980-4027; and

Assistant Administrator, Pacific Islands Regional Office, NMFS, 1601 Kapiolani Blvd., Suite 1110, Honolulu, HI 96814-4700; phone (808)973-2935; fax (808)973-2941.

Dated: September 30, 2003.

**Stephen L. Leathery,**

*Chief, Permits, Conservation and Education Division, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Department of the Air Force

#### HQ USAF Scientific Advisory Board

**AGENCY:** Department of the Air Force, DoD.

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to Public Law 92-463, notice is hereby given of the forthcoming meeting of the AFC2ISRC Advisory Group. The purpose of the meeting is to brief the Commander of the AFC2ISR Center. This meeting will be closed to the public.

**DATE:** October 15, 2003.

**ADDRESSES:** AFC2ISRC, Langley AFB, VA.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Maj. Chris Berg, Air Force Scientific Advisory Board Secretariat, 1180 Air Force Pentagon, Rm 5D982, Washington DC 20330-1180, (703) 697-4811.

**Pamela D. Fitzgerald,**

*Air Force Federal Register Liaison Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Department of the Army; Corps of Engineers

#### Extension of Scoping Period for the Draft Environmental Impact Statement/ Environmental Impact Report for a Proposed Marine Terminal Development at Pier S in the Port of Long Beach, Los Angeles County, CA

**AGENCY:** U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Los Angeles District, DoD.

**ACTION:** Notice of intent—extension of scoping period.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) is considering the development of Pier S Marine Terminal Project (Proposed Action). The development of Pier S would result in a 160-acre marine container terminal, and would include four elements: dredging, wharf construction, and container cranes; container yard; terminal buildings and truck gates; and an intermodal rail yard.

The primary Federal concern is the dredging and discharging of materials within waters of the U.S. and potential impacts on the human environment. Under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act, the Corps is authorized to approve discharges of dredged or fill material into waters of the U.S. Under section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act, the Corps may authorize activities that could affect navigable waters. The Corps is preparing an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) prior to deciding whether or not to authorize the Proposed Action. The Corps may ultimately make a determination to permit or deny the Proposed Action, or permit or deny alternatives to the Proposed Action.

Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the Port will serve as Lead Agency for the preparation of an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for its consideration of development approvals within its jurisdiction. The Corps and the Port have agreed to jointly prepare a Draft EIS/EIR in order to optimize efficiency and avoid duplication. The Draft EIS/EIR is intended to be sufficient in scope to address federal, state, and local requirements and environmental issues concerning the proposed activities and permit approvals.

**Scoping Process and Availability of the Draft:** The Corps previously published its NOI in the **Federal Register** on September 12th, 2003. For further information, please consult the original NOI publication.

The Corps and the Port will jointly conduct a scoping meeting for the proposed project. English and Spanish translation services will be provided at the meeting. The public scoping meeting will be held to receive public comment and assess public concerns regarding the appropriate scope of the Draft EIS/EIR. Participation in the public meeting by federal, state and local agencies and other interested organizations and persons are encouraged. Parties interested in being added to the Corps' electronic mail

notification list for the Pier S marine terminal project or other projects in the Port of Long Beach can register at: <http://www.spl.usace.army.mil/regulatory/register.html>. This list will be used in the future to notify the public about scheduled hearings and availability of future public notices.

The Corps of Engineers will also be consulting with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service under the Endangered Species Act and Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act, and with the National Marine Fisheries Service under the Magnuson-Stevens Act. Additionally, the EIS/EIR will assess the consistency of the proposed Action with the Coastal Zone Management Act and potential water quality impacts pursuant to Section 401 of the Clean Water Act.

The public scoping meeting for the Draft EIS/EIR will be held on September 25th, 2003, at 6 p.m., at the Port of Long Beach administration building. The Corps and the Port will separately transmit local notices of the meeting prior to the event. Written comments will now be received until October 17th, 2003. The Draft EIS/EIR is expected to be published and circulated sometime between Winter 2003 and Spring 2004, and a new public notice and public hearing will be held after its publication.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Questions about the proposed action and Draft EIS/EIR can be answered by Mr. Joshua Burnam, Corps Project Manager, at 213-452-3294. Comments regarding the scope of the Draft EIS/EIR shall be addressed to: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Los Angeles District, Regulatory Branch, ATTN: File Number 1999-16479-JLB, P.O. Box 532711, Los Angeles, California 90053-2325. Copies should also be sent to Stacey Crouch, Port of Long Beach, P.O. Box 570, Long Beach, CA 90801-0570.

**Richard G. Thompson,**

*Colonel, U.S. Army, District Engineer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

[CFDA No. 84.170A]

### Office of Postsecondary Education; Notice Extending Application Transmittal Deadline Date for Jacob K. Javits Fellowship Program

**SUMMARY:** On August 1, 2003, a notice was published in the **Federal Register** (68 FR 45229) inviting applications for new awards for fiscal year (FY) 2004 for the Jacob K. Javits Fellowship Program.

The notice listed a deadline date of October 3, 2003, for the transmittal of applications.

The Secretary extends the deadline date for the transmittal of applications for this competition from applicants in certain nationally declared disaster areas. The Secretary takes this action to allow more time for the preparation and submission of applications by potential applicants in certain States that have been affected by Hurricane Isabel. The extension of this deadline date is intended to help the potential applicants compete fairly with other applicants under this competition.

**Eligibility:** The extended deadline date in this notice applies to you if you are a potential applicant from an area on the following chart. The President has declared each of these locations a disaster area as a result of recent severe weather conditions. These areas are as follows:

**State:** Delaware, District of Columbia, Maryland, North Carolina, Virginia, West Virginia.

**DATES:** The new deadline date for the transmittal of applications is October 14, 2003.

**ADDRESSES:** The address and telephone number for obtaining applications for, or information about this program are in the application notice for the program.

If you use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD), you may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339.

Individuals with disabilities may obtain a copy of this notice in an alternative format (e.g., Braille, large print, audiotope, or computer diskette) on request to the contact person listed in the application notice.

#### Electronic Access to This Document

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To use PDF you must have Adobe Acrobat Reader, which is available free at this site. If you have questions about using PDF, call the U.S. Government Printing Office (GPO); toll free, at 1-888-293-6498; or in the Washington, DC area at (202) 512-1530.

**Note:** The official version of this document is the document published in the **Federal Register**. Free Internet access to the official edition of the **Federal Register** and the Code of Federal Regulations is available on GPO Access at: <http://www.gpoaccess.gov/nara/index.html>.

**Program Authority:** 20 U.S.C. 1134-1134d.

Dated: October 1, 2003.

**Wilbert Bryant,**

*Acting Assistant Secretary, Office of Postsecondary Education.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

### National Advisory Committee on Institutional Quality and Integrity, (National Advisory Committee); Meeting

**AGENCY:** National Advisory Committee on Institutional Quality and Integrity, Department of Education.

#### What Is the Purpose of This Notice?

The purpose of this notice is to announce the public meeting of the National Advisory Committee and invite third-party oral presentations before the Committee. This notice also presents the proposed agenda and informs the public of its opportunity to attend this meeting. The notice of this meeting is required under section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act.

#### When and Where Will the Meeting Take Place?

We will hold the public meeting on December 8, 2003 from 12:30 p.m. until approximately 5:30 p.m., and on December 9, 2003 from 8:30 a.m. until approximately 12:30 p.m. in the Ballroom at the Hilton Garden Inn, 815 14th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20005. You may call the hotel on (202) 783-7800 to inquire about rooms.

#### What Assistance Will Be Provided to Individuals With Disabilities?

The meeting site is accessible to individuals with disabilities. If you will need an auxiliary aid or service to participate in the meeting (e.g., interpreting service, assistive listening device, or materials in an alternate format), notify the contact person listed in this notice at least two weeks before the scheduled meeting date. Although we will attempt to meet a request received after that date, we may not be able to make available the requested auxiliary aid or service because of insufficient time to arrange it.

#### Who Is the Contact Person for the Meeting?

Please contact Ms. Bonnie LeBold, the Executive Director of the National Advisory Committee on Institutional Quality and Integrity, if you have questions about the meeting. You may contact her at the U.S. Department of Education, room 7007, MS 7592, 1990 K St., NW., Washington, DC 20006,