

Army Corps of Engineers for a permit to reconstruct a private pier.

Applicable provisions of the CZMA require that a notice be published in the **Federal Register**, indicating the date on which the decision record closed. Accordingly, notice is hereby provided that the decision record for this appeal closed on January 23, 2006.

For additional information about this appeal contact Brett Grosko, 301-713-7384.

(Federal Domestic Assistance Catalog No. 11.419 Coastal Zone Management Program Assistance.)

Dated: January 24, 2006.

James R. Walpole,
General Counsel.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 011906A]

Endangered Species; Permit Nos. 1209, 1261, and 1351

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Notice; issuance of permit modifications.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the following scientific research permits have been modified: Cypress Gardens (Dwight Williams, Principal Investigator), 3030 Cypress Gardens Road, Moncks Corner, SC 29461 (Permit No. 1209); U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Warm Springs Regional Fisheries Center (Vincent Mudrak, Principal Investigator), 5308 Spring Street, Warm Springs, GA 31830 (Permit No. 1261); Dr. Frank Chapman (Principal Investigator), Department of Fisheries and Aquatic Sciences, University of Florida, 7922 NW 71st Street, Gainesville, FL 32653 (Permit No. 1351).

ADDRESSES: The modifications and related documents are available for review upon written request or by appointment in the following office(s):

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)427-2521; and Southeast Region, NMFS, 263 13th Avenue South, St. Petersburg, FL 33701; phone (727)824-5312; fax (727)824-5309.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Shane Guan and Jennifer Skidmore (301)713-2289.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The requested modifications have been granted under the authority of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (ESA; 16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*) and the provisions of § 222.306 of the regulations governing the taking, importing, and exporting of endangered and threatened fish and wildlife (50 CFR 222-226).

File No. 1209: Cypress Gardens is authorized to maintain no more than eight (8) juvenile shortnose sturgeon in captivity for education purposes within its facility. This modification will extend the permit through January 31, 2007.

File No. 1261: The Warm Springs Regional Fisheries Center of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service is authorized to maintain captive bred shortnose sturgeon for scientific research at the Warm Springs, Bears Bluff and Orangeburg Hatcheries. Research Activities include feeding studies, propagation studies and evaluation studies as identified in the recovery plan for shortnose sturgeon. This modification will extend the permit through January 31, 2007.

File No. 1351: Dr. Frank Chapman of the Department of Fisheries and Aquatic Sciences, University of Florida, is authorized to conduct laboratory investigations and experimental culture to identify the physical, chemical, and biological parameters necessary for optimal survival and growth of shortnose sturgeon. The research is believe to complement the knowledge base of sturgeon species and assist the National Fish Hatcheries to optimally maintain and reproduce shortnose sturgeon stocks. This modification will extend the permit through January 31, 2007.

Issuance of these modifications, as required by the ESA was based on a finding that such permits: (1) Were applied for in good faith; (2) will not operate to the disadvantage of any endangered or threatened species; and (3) are consistent with the purposes and policies set forth in section 2 of the ESA.

Dated: January 25, 2006.

Carrie W. Hubard,

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

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary of Defense

Public Meeting of the Defense Advisory Committee on Military Compensation

AGENCY: DoD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: On December 29, 2005, the Department of Defense published a notice of meeting (70 FR 77150) scheduled for January 24, 2006, 10 a.m. Due to last minute cancellations of committee members, attendance would be insufficient to conduct public deliberations, therefore the meeting is canceled. This announces the cancellation. This meeting will be rescheduled and announced at a later date.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: LTC Janet Fenton, Designated Federal Official, Defense Advisory Committee on Military Compensation, 2521 S. Clark Street, Arlington, VA 22202. Telephone: 703-699-2718.

Dated: January 25, 2006.

L.M. Bynum,

Alternate OSD Federal Register, Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Defense Science Board

AGENCY: Department of Defense.

ACTION: Notice of Advisory Committee meetings.

SUMMARY: The Defense Science Board Task Force on VTOL/STOL will meet in closed session on January 30 and 31, 2006; at Strategic Analysis Inc., 3601 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA. This meeting will be an Executive Session for Task Force management as well as classified and FOUO briefings on current technologies and programs.

The mission of the Defense Science Board is to advise the Secretary of Defense and the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition, Technology & Logistics on scientific and technical matters as they affect the perceived needs of the Department of Defense. At these meetings, the Defense Science Board Task Force will: Assess the features and capabilities VTOL/STOL aircraft should have in order to support the nation's defense needs through at least the first half of the 21st century.

In accordance with Section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Pub. L. 92-463, as amended (5 U.S.C. App. II), it has been determined that these Defense Science Board Task Force meetings concern matters listed in 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(1) and that, accordingly, the meetings will be closed to the public.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

LCDR Clifton Phillips, USN, Defense Science Board, 3140 Defense Pentagon, Room 3C553, Washington, DC 20301-3140, via e-mail at clifton.phillips@osd.mil, or via phone at (703) 571-0083.

Due to scheduling difficulties, there is insufficient time to provide timely notice required by Section 10(a) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act and Subsection 102-3.150(b) of the GSA Final Rule on Federal Advisory Committee Management, 41 CFR part 102-3.150(b), which further requires publication at least 15 calendar days prior to the meeting.

Dated: January 24, 2006.

L.M. Bynum,

*OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer,
Department of Defense.*

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

President's Board of Advisors on Historically Black Colleges and Universities

AGENCY: President's Board of Advisors on Historically Black Colleges and Universities, ED.

ACTION: Notice of an open meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice sets forth the schedule and agenda of the meeting of the President's Board of Advisors on Historically Black Colleges and Universities. This notice also describes the functions of the Board. Notice of this meeting is required by section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act and is intended to notify the public of its opportunity to attend.

DATES: Friday, February 10, 2006.

TIME: 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The Board will meet at the Hilton Washington, 1919 Connecticut Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20009. Phone: 202-483-3000, Fax: 202-232-0438.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Leonard Dawson, Deputy Counselor, White House Initiative on Historically Black Colleges and Universities, 1990 K Street, NW., Washington, DC 20006;

telephone: (202) 502-7889, fax: 202-502-7879.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The President's Board of Advisors on Historically Black Colleges and Universities is established under Executive Order 13256, dated February 12, 2002 and Executive Order 13385 dated September 25, 2005. The Board is established (a) to report to the President annually on the results of the participation of historically black colleges and universities (HBCUs) in Federal programs, including recommendations on how to increase the private sector role, including the role of private foundations, in strengthening these institutions, with particular emphasis also given to enhancing institutional planning and development, strengthening fiscal stability and financial management, and improving institutional infrastructure, including the use of technology, to ensure the long-term viability and enhancement of these institutions; (b) to advise the President and the Secretary of Education (Secretary) on the needs of HBCUs in the areas of infrastructure, academic programs, and faculty and institutional development; (c) to advise the Secretary in the preparation of an annual Federal plan for assistance to HBCUs in increasing their capacity to participate in Federal programs; (d) to provide the President with an annual progress report on enhancing the capacity of HBCUs to serve their students; and (e) to develop, in consultation with the Department of Education and other Federal agencies, a private sector strategy to assist HBCUs.

Agenda

The purpose of the meeting is to receive and deliberate on legislative and policy issues pertinent to the Board and the nation's HBCUs and to discuss relevant issues to be addressed in the Board's multi-year annual report.

Additional Information

Individuals who will need accommodations for a disability in order to attend the meeting (e.g., interpreting services, assistive listening devices, or material in alternative format) should notify ReShone Moore at (202) 502-7893, no later than Friday, February 3, 2006. We will attempt to meet requests for accommodations after this date, but, cannot guarantee their availability. The meeting site is accessible to individuals with disabilities.

An opportunity for public comment is available on Friday, February 10, 2006, between 2 p.m.-3 p.m. Those members of the public interested in submitting written comments may do so at the

address indicated above by Friday, February 3, 2006.

Records are kept of all Board proceedings and are available for public inspection at the Office of the White House Initiative on Historically Black Colleges and Universities, U.S. Department of Education, 1990 K Street, NW., Washington, DC 20006, during the hours of 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Dated: January 25, 2006.

Margaret Spellings,

Secretary of Education, U.S. Department of Education.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy

State Energy Advisory Board—Executive Working Group

AGENCY: Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of open teleconference.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a teleconference of the State Energy Advisory Board (STEAB)—Executive Working Group. The Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463; 86 Stat. 770), requires that public notice of these teleconferences be announced in the **Federal Register**. No official business will be conducted “this is for information sharing only.”

DATES: February 16, 2006 from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. e.s.t.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Gary Burch, STEAB Designated Federal Officer, Director, Central Regional Office, Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy (EERE), U.S. Department of Energy, 1617 Cole Boulevard, Golden, CO 80401, Telephone 303/275-4801 or e-mail GARY.BURCH@ee.doe.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose of the Board: To make recommendations to the Assistant Secretary for Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy regarding goals and objectives, programmatic and administrative policies, and to otherwise carry out the Board's responsibilities pursuant to the State Energy Efficiency Programs Improvement Act of 1990 (Pub. L. 101-440).

Tentative Agenda: Update members on routine business matters. No official actions will be taken.

Public Participation: The teleconference is open to the public. Members of the public wishing to participate in the teleconference should