

requirements and environmental issues concerning the proposed activities and permit approvals.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Questions about the Proposed Action and DEIS/DEIR should be directed to Antal Szijj, Corps of Engineers, at (805) 585-2147. Comments regarding the scope of the DEIS/DEIR should be addressed to: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Los Angeles District, Ventura Field Office, ATTN: Antal Szijj, 2151 Allesandro Drive, Suite 110, Ventura, CA 93001. Alternatively, comments can be e-mailed to

antal.j.szijj@usace.army.mil. Comments should also be sent to Richard D. Cameron, Director of Environmental Planning, Port of Long Beach, 925 Harbor Plaza, Long Beach, CA 90802.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

1. *Project Site and Background Information.* The Proposed Project site is located at Berth D-44 on Pier D in the Port of the Beach (Port). The site is currently owned by L.G. Everist, Inc. and would be leased to Eagle Rock Aggregates for terminal development and operation. The site, located at 1925 Pier D Street, is bounded by Channel 3 to and SSA Matson to the north, G.P. Gypsum to the east, berths D-41, D-42, and D-43 to the west, and Pier D Street to the south. The site was previously used as an aggregate import terminal by Connolly-Pacific Company who operated the terminal from 2000 until 2009. The terminal received pre-sorted aggregate that was barged by diesel-powered tugs boats, where it was off-loaded and stockpiled by conveyor systems.

2. *Proposed Action.* The Project applicant, Eagle Rock Aggregates, proposes to construct a sand, gravel and granite aggregate receiving, storage, and distribution terminal. The Project site is 8.3 acres in size, of which the Project footprint would occupy 7.25 acres. The proposed dredging and wharf modifications would prepare the site to accept Panamax-class vessels which would deliver aggregate material to the site. The Proposed Project would be dredged to -44 feet Mean Lower Low Water (MLLW) over the majority of the dredge footprint. In addition, Eagle Rock Aggregates would conduct advanced maintenance dredging of an additional 2 feet (to -46 MLLW) to mitigate future accumulation of sediments, which are likely to accrete once the facility is operational. The total proposed dredge volume is approximately 6,000 cubic yards. Eagle Rock Aggregates has coordinated with the Dredge Material Management Team/Contaminated Sediments Task Force on disposal

options. The dredge material is scheduled for disposal in the Port's confined disposal facility associated with the Middle Harbor Redevelopment Project, which has been approved by the Corps under a separate permit (Corps File No. SPL-2004-01053-AOA).

Wharf improvements would include the construction of a berthing system consisting of 28 steel piles driven into the adjacent uplands to provide anchor points for two V-shaped stiff-legs that would extend overwater to support the Panamax-class vessels, followed by concrete forming and the installation of additional steel legs and land-based conveyor system. These improvements, along with the land-based installation of scales and conveyor equipment would prepare the site to receive aggregate via vessel and transport via trucks from the site. No discharge of fill material into waters of the U.S. is proposed.

3. *Issues.* There are several potential issue that will be addressed in the DEIS/DEIR. Additional issues may be identified during the scoping process. Issues initially identified as potentially significant include:

1. Air pollutant emissions from construction and operation, including a health risk analysis.

2. Marine water resources, including potential impacts on marine biological resources.

3. Traffic, including navigational issues, and transportation related impacts.

4. Cumulative impacts.

In addition, the DEIS/DEIR will address other issues relating to the Corps' permit action including, but not limited to greenhouse gas emissions, aesthetics, water quality, noise and cumulative effects.

4. *Alternatives.* Alternatives initially being considered for the Proposed Project include the following:

(1) Aggregate receiving and storage terminal utilizing Panamax-class vessels, with dredging and wharf modifications (Preferred Alternative);

(2) Aggregate receiving and storage terminal where vessel discharges aggregate material to barges prior to reaching the project site, without dredging or wharf improvements (No Federal Action).

Additional alternatives are currently being considered for the Proposed Project. These alternatives will be further formulated and developed during the scoping process and an appropriate range of alternatives will be included in the DEIS/DEIR.

5. *Scoping Process.* The Corps and the Port will jointly conduct a scoping meeting for the Proposed Project. English and Spanish translation, as well

as sign language 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 DEIS/DEIR. Participation in the public meeting by Federal, state, and local agencies and other interested organizations and persons is encouraged. The Corps will also be coordinating with the U.S. Fish & Wildlife under the Fish & Wildlife Coordination Act and Endangered Species Act, and with the National Marine Fisheries Service under the Magnuson-Stevens Fisheries Act. Additionally the DEIS/DEIR 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 DEIS/DEIR will be held at the Long Beach City Council Chambers, 333 West Ocean Boulevard, Long Beach, California on November 2, 2011, and will start at 6 pm. Written comments will be accepted until November 16, 2011.

6. *Availability of the DEIS/DEIR.* The joint lead agencies expect the DEIS/DEIR to be published and circulated in early 2012. A Public Hearing will also be held during the public comment period for the DEIS/DEIR.

Dated: October 5, 2011.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Proposed Agency Information Collection

AGENCY: U.S. Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice and Request for Comments.

SUMMARY: The Department of Energy (DOE) invites public comment on a proposed collection of information that DOE is developing for submission to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c)

ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

DATES: Comments regarding this proposed information collection must be received on or before December 13, 2011. If you anticipate difficulty in submitting comments within that period, contact the person listed in **ADDRESSES** as soon as possible.

ADDRESSES: Written comments may be sent to Chris O'Gwin or by fax at (301) 903-5488, or by e-mail at chris.ogwin@science.doe.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument and instructions should be directed to Chris O'Gwin or by fax at (301) 903-5488, or by e-mail at chris.ogwin@science.doe.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This information collection request contains: (1) OMB No. New; (2) Information Collection Request Title: Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) and Small Business Technology Transfer (STTR) Commercialization Survey; (3) Type of Request: New; (4) Purpose: The DOE needs this information to satisfy the program requirements of the Small Business Act, including requirements established in the SBIR program reauthorization legislation, Public Law 106-554 and Public Law 107-50. This data will be collected by the DOE and provided to the Small Business Administration (SBA) to maintain information about SBIR/STTR awards issued through the two programs. This data will be provided by DOE based on information collected from SBIR/STTR awardees. This data will be used by DOE, SBA, and Congress to assess the commercial impact of these two programs; (5) Annual Estimated Number of Respondents: 2,500; (6) Annual Estimated Number of Total Responses: 2,500; (7) Annual Estimated Number of Burden Hours: 2,500; (8) Annual Estimated Reporting and Recordkeeping Cost Burden: 0.

Statutory Authority: Section 9 of the Small Business Act, as amended, codified at 15 U.S.C. 638(g).

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SBIR/STTR Programs Director, Office of Science, U.S. Department of Energy.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy

Commercial Building Workforce Job/Task Analyses

AGENCY: Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, U.S. Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of availability; request for comments.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy (EERE) announces the availability of a draft set of six Job/Task Analyses applicable to the commercial buildings credentialing sector and the commercial buildings workforce. Through this notice, DOE also requests comments on these documents. Job/Task Analyses were developed for the following six job classifications: Commercial Building Energy Auditor, Commercial Building Energy Modeler, Commissioning/Retro-Commissioning Authority, Energy/Sustainability Manager, Facility Manager, and Operating Engineer/Building Technician. These documents are intended for voluntary use by federal, state, municipal and utility ratepayer-funded energy efficiency programs and private sector commercial building contractors, as well as any other organization, company, or individual involved or concerned with the training of persons in the commercial building space.

DATES: Comments on the six Job/Task Analyses must be received by 5 p.m. Eastern Time on November 28, 2011.

ADDRESSES: Drafts of each of the six Job/Task Analyses are available for review online at: <http://www.buildings.energy.gov/workforce.html>.

You may submit comments by any of the following methods:

- **Internet:** <http://www.buildings.energy.gov/workforce.html>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.
- **E-mail:** Buildings.Workforce.Feedback@nrel.gov.
- **Federal eRulemaking Portal:** <http://www.regulations.gov>. Search for docket # ID EERE-2011-BT-NOA-0063. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.
- **Postal Mail:** National Renewable Energy Laboratory, Attn: Buildings Workforce Feedback, Mail Stop: RSF202, 1617 Cole Blvd., Golden, CO 80401-3305.

For further information on how to submit comments, please see the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Sonal Kemkar, Building Technologies Program, Mailstop EE-2J, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20585. *Phone number:* (202) 287-1897. *E-mail:* sonal.kemkar@ee.doe.gov.

For legal issues contact: Kavita K. Vaidyanathan, U.S. Department of Energy, Office of the General Counsel, Forrestal Building, GC-71, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20585. *Phone number:* (202) 586-0669. *E-mail:* kavita.vaidyanathan@hq.doe.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: EERE has tasked the National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL) with developing a suite of six Job/Task Analyses for use by federal, state, municipal and utility ratepayer-funded energy efficiency programs as well as organizations and individuals involved with training and accrediting personnel who operate in the commercial building sector. Job/Task Analyses identify and catalog all of the tasks a given worker typically performs. They include the minimum knowledge, skills, and abilities that a skilled worker should possess to perform work for the given occupation or job level.

The Job/Task Analysis development process involved NREL convening a diverse group of public and private-sector industry practitioners. Each of these practitioners attended a psychometrician-facilitated workshop (psychometrics is the field of study concerned with psychological measurement, including the application of statistical and mathematical techniques to psychological and educational testing) and worked with fellow practitioners to create the Job/Task Analysis specific to their job category. Workshops were held for each of the following job classifications: Commercial Building Energy Auditor, Commercial Building Energy Modeler, Commissioning/Retro-Commissioning Authority, Energy/Sustainability Manager, Facility Manager, and Operating Engineer/Building Technician.

Each of the six Job/Task Analyses contains (1) A description of the job; (2) a proposed content blueprint; (3) tables delineating general and specialized knowledge areas required; (4) tables delineating required skills, abilities, and attributes; (5) tables listing the tools and resources required; and (6) a developing