

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**Department of the Army****Records of Decision on the Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) on the Disposal and Reuse of the Savanna Army Depot Activity, Savanna, Illinois****AGENCY:** Department of the Army, DOD.**ACTION:** Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Army announced its Record of Decision (ROD) on the FEIS for the disposal and reuse of the 13,062 acres comprising the Savanna Army Depot Activity, Savanna, Illinois, in accordance with the Defense Base Closure and Realignment Act of 1990, Public Law 101-510, as amended.

Under the Act, the Secretary of the Army has been delegated the authority to dispose of excess real property and facilities located at a military installation being closed or realigned. The National Environmental Policy Act requires the Army to prepare its analysis of the environmental impacts of disposal. The EIS also analyzes the secondary environmental impacts of disposal—the reuse of the property. The ROD and the FEIS satisfy the requirements of NEPA.

The Army has selected the encumbered disposal alternative. Encumbered disposal requires the transfer of the property to others with use restrictions imposed by the Army. The ROD concludes that surplus property will be conveyed subject to restrictions, identified in the FEIS, that pertain to the following: unexploded ordnance, wetlands, historical resources, threatened and endangered species, utilities easements, easements and rights-of-way, access easements, reversionary interests, overflow easements, remedial activities, and lead-based paint. The Army will impose deed restrictions or other requirements to ensure safety and protection of human health and the environment.

The Army has taken all practicable measures to avoid or minimize adverse environmental impacts associated with its preferred alternative of encumbered property disposal. The Army will continue to work with individual future owners to avoid, reduce, or compensate for adverse impacts that might occur as a result of disposal. Mitigation measures for reuse activities are identified in the FEIS.

ADDRESSES: A copy of the ROD may be obtained by writing to Ms. Shirley Barnett, at the U.S. Army Materiel Command, ATTN: AMCSO, 5001 Eisenhower Avenue, Alexandria, VA

22333-0001 or by calling (703) 617-8172. Copies of the Final EIS may be obtained by writing to Mr. Glen Coffee at the Corps of Engineers, Mobile District, ATTN: CESAM-PD-E, 109 St. Joseph Street, Mobile, AL 36628-0001, or by facsimile at (334) 690-2721.

Dated: January 20, 1998.

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Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Army (Environment, Safety and Occupational Health), OASA, (I,L&E).

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**Department of the Army; Corps of Engineers****New York and New Jersey Harbor Navigation Feasibility Study****AGENCY:** Corps of Engineers, Army, DOD.**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New York District, seeks comments from interested individuals, groups, and businesses about the need for, and alternatives to, Federal participation in the deepening of navigation channels within the Port of New York and New Jersey. It will consider all comments in its formulation and selection of alternatives.

DATES: Comments must reach the New York District on or before 30 March 1998.

ADDRESSES: You may mail comments to the Study Manager, Flood Control & Navigation Section, Planning Division, New York District, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, 26 Federal Plaza, New York, NY 10278-0090, or deliver them to Room 2151 at the same address between 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal Holidays, or e-mail to thomas.shea@usace.army.mil. The telephone number is (212) 264-1060.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Thomas J. Shea III, Study Manager, Flood Control & Navigation Section, Planning Division, New York District, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, (212) 264-1060. E-mail: thomas.shea@usace.army.mil.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This announces the initiation of a cost shared feasibility level study for determining whether Federal participation in navigation improvements in the Port of New York and New Jersey is justified.

The study is being conducted in partnership among the State of New York acting through the New York State Urban Development Corporation d/b/a Empire State Development Corporation, the State of New Jersey Department of Commerce and Economic Development (Maritime Resources), The Port Authority of New York and New Jersey and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New York District. The study is authorized by Section 435 of the Water Resources Development Act of 1996 (WRDA 96).

Planning studies of water resource problems are conducted in two phases by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers in its Civil Works role. The first phase is the reconnaissance study, accomplished entirely at Federal expense. The second phase is the feasibility study, which is cost shared equally between the Federal Government and one or more non-Federal sponsors.

The Section 905b, WRDA 86 Analysis Fact Sheet was completed in April, 1997. The purpose of this analysis is three-fold: (1) determine whether the Federal Government should participate in further studies of the water resource problems; (2) determine the scope, duration and cost of any further studies; (3) identify one or more non-Federal sponsors willing to cost-share the studies. The analysis found that there should be sufficient economic benefits to justify deepening selected channels within the Port to 50 feet or more below mean low water and identified the non-Federal sponsors mentioned above for the feasibility study.

The feasibility phase will perform, in more detail, the engineering, economic and environmental evaluations necessary to identify the optimum channel depths to meet the existing and future needs of the Port of New York and New Jersey, with an emphasis on container and crude petroleum traffic. At its completion, a "Feasibility Report" containing a recommendation for construction, if justified and supported by a non-Federal sponsor, will be released. The report, including the necessary environmental documentation, will be submitted to the United States Congress for project authorization.

The Port of New York and New Jersey is the largest port on the East Coast, providing more than 166,000 port-related jobs, \$20 billion in economic activity, and serving more than 17 million consumers in the states of New York and New Jersey. Through its intermodal links, the Port provides second day access to another 80 million consumers in the northeast and mid-western states. In 1995, the Port

received and shipped more than 44.8 million long tons of waterborne general cargo to all parts of the United States and throughout the world and received petroleum and related products from ports on the Atlantic and Gulf Coasts, the Caribbean, Africa and the Persian Gulf.

The Corps' New York District requests any pertinent information about the project area from any Federal, state, or local agencies, and the private sector. In particular, we request information on the type, amount, and location of waterborne commerce and ships calling on the Port and any projections of future commerce and size of ships. This information will be used to define the status of the Port, forecast the benefits of channel improvements, and determine potential Federal involvement in providing deeper, wider and/or realigned channels. The Corps also welcomes any assistance and suggestions concerning the conduct of this study.

John Sassi,

Chief, Planning Division.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

AGENCY: Department of Education.

ACTION: Submission for OMB review; comment request.

SUMMARY: The Deputy Chief Information Officer, 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 February 25, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be addressed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Dan Chenok, Desk Officer, Department of Education, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street, NW., Room 10235, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503. Requests for copies of the proposed information collection requests should be addressed to Patrick J. Sherrill, Department of Education, 600 Independence Avenue, SW., Room 5624, Regional Office Building 3, Washington, DC 20202-4651.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Patrick J. Sherrill (202) 708-8196. Individuals who use a

telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339 between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m., Eastern time, Monday through Friday.

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 Deputy Chief Information Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer, publishes this 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 at the address specified above. Copies of the requests are available from Patrick J. Sherrill at the address specified above.

Dated: January 20, 1998.

Gloria Parker,

Deputy Chief Information Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

Office of Elementary and Secondary Education

Type of Review: Reinstatement.

Title: Goals 2000 Comprehensive Local Reform Assistance.

Frequency: Annually.

Affected Public: State, local or Tribal Gov't, SEAs or LEAs.

Annual Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:

Responses: 400.

Burden Hours: 12,000.

Abstract: Section 304(e) of the Goals 2000: Educate America Act authorizes the Secretary to award direct grants to LEAs in States that were not participating in Goals 2000 as of October 20, 1995, if the applicable SEA approves the LEAs' participation in Goals 2000 as of that date. Both the Oklahoma and Montana SEAs have approved LEA participation in this direct grant program. The Goals 2000

Act is designed to help States and communities develop and implement their own education reforms focused on challenging academic standards in order to increase student academic achievement.

This information collection is being submitted under the Streamlined Clearance Process for Discretionary Grant Information Collections (OMB Control No. 1890-0001). Therefore, this 30-day public comment period notice will be the only public comment notice published for this information collection.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Office of Environmental Management; Environmental Management Advisory Board Renewal

Pursuant to Section 14(a)(2)(A) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Public Law 92-463), and in accordance with Title 41 of the Code of Federal Regulations, section 101-6.1015(a), and following consultation with the Committee Management Secretariat, General Services Administration, notice is hereby given that the Environmental Management Advisory Board has been renewed for a two-year period beginning on January 17, 1998. The Board will provide advice to the Assistant Secretary for Environmental Management.

The purpose of the Board is to provide the Assistant Secretary for Environmental Management with advice and recommendations on Environmental Management projects and issues, such as program budget, strategic planning, risk, technology development, the National Environmental Policy Act, long-term nuclear stewardship, science initiatives, worker health and safety, and program cost effectiveness, from the perspective of affected groups and State Tribal, and local governments. Consensus recommendations to the Department of Energy from the Board on programmatic nationwide resolution of numerous difficult issues will help achieve the Department's objective of an integrated environmental restoration program.

Additionally, the renewal of the Environmental Management Advisory Board has been determined to be essential to the conduct of Department of Energy business and to be in the public interest in connection with the performance of duties imposed on the Department of Energy by law. The Board will operate in accordance with the