

13307, Silver Spring, MD 20910-3226 (301-713-1401); and Director, Southwest Region, NMFS, NOAA, 501 West Ocean Blvd., Suite 4200, Long Beach, CA 90802-4213 (310-980-4016).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Michelle Rogers, F/PR3, 301-713-1401

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Notice was published on June 19, 1998 (63 FR 33632), that an application had been filed by Robert L. Brownell, NMFS Southwest Fisheries Science Center, to take listed sea turtles as authorized by the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (ESA) (16 U.S.C. 1531-1543) and NMFS regulations governing listed fish and wildlife permits (50 CFR parts 217-222).

The applicant requested a 3-year scientific research permit to take listed sea turtles opportunistically during marine mammal research surveys in the eastern tropical Pacific. Authorization has been granted to take up to 400 turtles over the three year period to include the following species: olive ridley (*Lepidochelys olivacea*), green (*Chelonia mydas*), leatherback (*Dermochelys coriacea*), hawksbill (*Eretmochelys imbricata*), and loggerhead (*Caretta caretta*). The turtles will be weighed, photographed, flipper tagged, blood sampled, and tissue sampled. Additionally, stomach lavage will be performed on captured turtles to identify prey items and up to 30 turtles will be outfitted with satellite transmitters. The purposes of the proposed research are to obtain data on the geographic distribution and stock assessment, migratory and dive behavior, and habitat needs and primary foraging areas of turtles at sea. Notice is hereby given that on July 27, 1998, NMFS issued permit 1159 authorized the above activities.

Issuance of this permit, as required by the ESA, was based on a finding that such permit: (1) Was applied for in good faith, (2) will not operate to the disadvantage of the listed species that are the subject of this permit, and (3) is consistent with the purposes and policies set forth in section 2 of the ESA.

Dated: August 13, 1998.

**Patricia A. Montanio,**

*Deputy Director, 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 Meeting

The Fall General Board Panel Meeting in support of the HQ USAF Scientific Advisory Board will meet at Embassy Suites in Alexandria, VA on October 14-15, 1998 from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

The purpose of the meeting is to gather information and receive briefings for Fall General Board Meeting.

The meeting will be closed to the public in accordance with Section 552b of Title 5, United States Code, specifically subparagraphs (1) and (4) thereof.

For further information, contact the HQ USAF Scientific Advisory Board Secretariat at (703) 697-8404.

**Barbara A. Carmichael,**

*Alternate Air Force Federal Register Liaison Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Department of the Air Force

#### HQ USAF Scientific Advisory Board Meeting

The C2 Advisory Panel Visit to EFX Meeting in support of the HQ USAF Scientific Advisory Board will meet at Langley Air Force Base and Hurlburt Air Force Base on September 17-18, 1998 from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

The purpose of the meeting is to gather information and receive briefings for C2 Advisory Panel Visit to EFX in support of the USAF Scientific Advisory Board.

The meeting will be closed to the public in accordance with Section 552b of Title 5, United States Code, specifically subparagraphs (1) and (4) thereof.

For further information, contact the HQ USAF Scientific Advisory Board Secretariat at (703) 697-8404.

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Department of the Navy

#### Meeting of the Naval Research Advisory Committee

**AGENCY:** Department of the Navy, DoD.

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Naval Research Advisory Committee (NRAC) Panel on Global Positioning System (GPS) Vulnerability and Alternatives will meet to examine the vulnerabilities of the GPS on Navy and Marine Corps platforms and weapons systems. All sessions of the meeting will be devoted to briefings, tours, discussions and technical examination of information related to GPS vulnerabilities; the Department of the Navy's mitigation plans for platforms, weapons, communications, and intelligence systems as related to the projected threat; GPS modernization; and research, development, test, acquisition, and training activities to improve GPS-related military readiness and precision navigation capabilities. All sessions of the meeting will be closed to the public.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held on Tuesday, August 25, from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.; Wednesday, August 26, from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.; and Thursday, August 27, 1998, from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the Naval Research Laboratory, 4555 Overlook Avenue, SW, Washington, DC, on August 25; at the Applied Physics Laboratory at the Johns Hopkins University, Johns Hopkins Road, Laurel, Maryland, on August 26; and at the Office of Naval Research, 800 North Quincy Street, Arlington, Virginia, on August 27, 1998.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Diane Mason-Muir, Program Director, Naval Research Advisory Committee, 800 North Quincy Street, Arlington, VA 22217-5660, telephone number: (703) 696-6769.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This notice of meeting is provided in accordance with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. App. 2). All sessions of the meeting will be devoted to briefings, tours and discussions involving technical examination of information related to vulnerabilities and deficiencies of the GPS on Navy and Marine Corps platforms and weapons systems. These briefings, tours and discussions will contain classified information that is specifically authorized under criteria established by Executive Order to be kept secret in the interest of national defense and are in fact properly classified pursuant to such Executive Order. The classified and non-classified matters to be discussed are so inextricably intertwined as to preclude opening any portion of the meeting. In accordance with 5 U.S.C.

App. 2, section 10(d), the Secretary of the Navy has determined in writing that the public interest requires that all sessions of the meeting be closed to the public because they will be concerned with matters listed in 5 U.S.C. section 552b(c)(1). Due to unavoidable delay in the administrative process of preparing for this meeting, the normal 15 day notice could not be provided.

Dated: August 19, 1998.

**Ralph W. Corey,**

*LCDR, JAGC, USN, Federal Register Liaison Officer.*

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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 Acting 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 September 23, 1998.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments should be addressed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Danny Werfel, 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 Acting 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: August 18, 1998.

**Hazel Fiers,**

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

### Office of Educational Research and Improvement

*Type of Review:* Reinstatement.

*Title:* National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) 1998-1999 Field Test, Long-Term Trend Assessment, and 1999-2000 Full Scale.

*Frequency:* Every two years.

*Affected Public:* Not-for-profit institutions; State, local or Tribal Gov't; SEAs or LEAs.

*Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:*

Responses: 45,150.

Burden Hours: 39,130.

*Abstract:* The National Assessment of Educational Progress is mandated by 1994 legislation. The surveys and assessments allow NAEP to describe the educational attainment of students in grades 4, 8 and 12. Each assessment is designed to obtain comprehensive data on the knowledge, skills, concepts, understandings, and attitudes possessed by American students. This assessment will cover the subjects of math, reading, and science. The field test contains new cognitive items, and new and revised background questions to be field tested in mathematics and science. Cognitive items only will be field tested in reading. The field test is necessary to make certain that all of the materials for the 2000 NAEP are of high quality and meet rigorous content and psychometric standards. Also requested for clearance is the 1998-1999 long-term trend

assessment for mathematics, science, reading, and writing which is identical to those used previously in 1986, 1990, 1992, 1994, and 1996.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board, Rocky Flats

**AGENCY:** Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Notice of open meeting.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770) notice is hereby given of the following Advisory Committee meeting: Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board (EM SSAB), Rocky Flats.

**DATES:** Thursday, September 3, 1998, 6:00 p.m.—9:30 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** Westminster City Hall, Lower-level Multi-purpose Room, 4800 West 92nd Avenue, Westminster, CO.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ken Korkia, Board/Staff Coordinator, EM SSAB-Rocky Flats, 9035 North Wadsworth Parkway, Suite 2250, Westminster, CO 80021, phone: (303) 420-7855, fax: (303) 420-7579.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Purpose of the Board: The purpose of the Board is to make recommendations to DOE and its regulators in the areas of environmental restoration, waste management, and related activities.

### Tentative Agenda

1. The Board will accept input and prepare its first draft of the 1999 Work Plan, to be finalized and approved at a retreat in September.

2. The Board will consider a draft letter to the new Secretary of Energy regarding medical benefits for retired/disabled Rocky Flats workers, which emphasizes the importance of separating funding for retiree benefits from cleanup funding, and asks DOE to ensure the continuation of this funding once sites begin to close.

3. The Board will review prepared comments on the draft Surplus Plutonium Disposition Environmental Impact Statement.

4. The Board will consider forwarding a list of questions to DOE-RFFO, regarding Rocky Flats' preparedness for potential computer problems caused by the changing century. This list of questions was prepared by a local interest group working on the Year 2000 (Y2K) issue.

*Public Participation:* The meeting is open to the public. Written statements