

extent of any unfilled balances. In the event the limits established for that period have been exhausted by previous entries, such products shall be charged to the limits set forth in this directive.

In carrying out the above directions, the Commissioner of Customs should construe entry into the United States for consumption to include entry for consumption into the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico.

The Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements has determined that these actions fall within the foreign affairs exception of the rulemaking provisions of 5 U.S.C. 553(a)(1).

Sincerely,

D. Michael Hutchinson,

Acting Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

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CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

Proposed Information Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Corporation for National and Community Service.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Corporation for National and Community Service (hereinafter the "Corporation"), as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, conducts a preclearance consultation program to provide the general public and Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing collections of information in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA95) (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). This program helps to ensure that requested data can be provided in the desired format, reporting burden (time and financial resources) is minimized, collection instruments are clearly understood, and the impact of collection requirement on respondents can be properly assessed. Currently, the Corporation is soliciting comments concerning its request for approval of a new information collection from organizations that conduct literacy and tutoring activities under the sponsorship of Corporation grants. This information will be used by the Corporation to evaluate the nature and effectiveness of the programs.

Copies of the proposed information collection request may be obtained by contacting the office listed below in the ADDRESSES section of this notice.

DATES: Written comments must be submitted to the office listed in the ADDRESSES section by December 14, 1998.

- The Corporation is particularly interested in comments which:
- Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Corporation, including whether the information will have practical utility;
- Evaluate 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;
- Propose ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- Propose ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submissions of responses.

ADDRESSES: Send comments to the Corporation for National and Community Service Attn: Susan Labin, Office of Evaluation, 1201 New York Avenue, NW, 9th floor, Washington, DC 20525.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Susan Labin, (202) 606-5000, ext. 160.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

One of the missions of the Corporation is to "provide opportunities to engage in service that addresses the nation's unmet educational * * * needs" (42 U.S.C. 12501(b)). President Clinton's *America Reads* initiative calls on all Americans to help ensure that every child can read well and independently by the end of the third grade. The Corporation is playing an important role in this initiative. It supports efforts that recruit and train tutors in local communities, increases the number of parents and community volunteers who are involved, and works cooperatively with Federal Work Study volunteers from colleges and universities supported by the U.S. Department of Education.

The Corporation is dedicating a significant portion of its resources to literacy and tutoring efforts and it is an agency priority to evaluate these efforts. This data collection will address the Corporation's literacy and tutoring programs including, although not limited to, the *America Reads* effort.

Current Action

The Corporation seeks approval of a survey form for the evaluation of the Corporation's literacy and tutoring

programs that it supports through grants. It will allow for the description of delivery systems and program models including the specific literacy and tutoring activities. It will also help identify effective programs.

Type of Review: New approval.

Agency: Corporation for National and Community Service.

Title: Evaluation of Literacy and Tutoring Programs.

OMB Number: None.

Agency Number: None.

Affected Public: Project Directors.

Total Respondents: Approximately 650.

Frequency: One time.

Average Time Per Response: 30 minutes.

Estimated Total Burden Hours: 325 hours.

Total Burden Cost (capital/startup): None.

Total Burden Cost (operating/maintenance): None.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for Office of Management and Budget approval of the information collection request; they will also become a matter of public record.

Dated: October 6, 1998.

Kenneth L. Klothen,

General Counsel.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army

Board of Visitors, United States Military Academy

AGENCY: United States Military Academy.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: In accordance with Section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463), announcement is made of the following meeting:

Name of Committee: Board of Visitors, United States Military Academy.

Date of Meeting: 13 November 1998.

Place of Meeting: Superintendent's Conference Room, Taylor Hall, United States Military Academy, West Point, New York.

Start Time of Meeting: Approximately 2:00 p.m.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For further information, contact Lieutenant Colonel Joseph A. Dubyel, United States Military Academy, West Point, NY 10996-5000, phone: (914) 938-4200.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Proposed Agenda: Approval of the Annual Report to the President. All proceedings are open.

Gregory D. Showalter,

Army Federal Register Liaison Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**Department of the Army, Corps of Engineers****Intent To Prepare a Draft Environmental Impact Statement/ Environmental Impact Report (DEIS/ EIR) for the Lower Mission Creek, Santa Barbara, CA**

AGENCY: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, DoD.

ACTION: Notice of intent.

SUMMARY: The Mission Creek drainage area is located in and adjoining the city of Santa Barbara, California, about 100 miles northwest of the City of Los Angeles. The drainage area, comprising about 11.5-square miles, is a narrow coastal area and extends from the Santa Ynez Mountains on the north to the Pacific Ocean on the south. Mission Creek rises at about 4,000 feet elevation and flows about eight miles through the City of Santa Barbara to empty into the Pacific Ocean. The primary study area for the proposed project extends from Canon Perdido, downstream to the Pacific Ocean. The length of the project construction area is about 1.2 miles.

ADDRESSES: Commander, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Los Angeles District, Environmental Design Section, CECSPL-PD-RL, P.O. Box 532711, Los Angeles, CA 90053-2325.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Joy Jaiswal, Technical Manager, phone (213) 452-3871, or Mr. Edward Demesa, Study Manager, phone (213) 452-3796. The City of Santa Barbara Point of Contact is Ms. Janice Hubbell, AICP, Project Planner, phone (805) 564-5470.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**1. Authorization**

The Lower Mission Creek, Flood Control Project is authorized under Section 209 of the Flood Control Act of 1962 (Public Law 87-874, 87th Congress, 2nd session), approved October 23, 1962. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACOE), in cooperation with the County Flood Control District and the City of Santa Barbara, will be conducting a feasibility study for solutions to the flooding problem along

Lower Mission Creek. The study will identify, describe, and evaluate alternative plans and fully develop the recommended plan to be submitted to Congress for project authorization.

2. Background

The USACOE has been involved in this project since 1964. Lower Mission Creek, especially downstream from Carrillo Street, poses a serious flood threat to the City. In this area, a mix of residential, commercial, and public properties are subject to major damages during floods. The USACOE and the City of Santa Barbara are planning to prepare a Draft EIS/EIR to address and evaluate impacts to the environmental resources due to the improvement/ construction along Lower Mission Creek. In addition, alternative solutions and recommendations to the flood and associated problems will be included with consideration to economic, environmental and social needs of the area. In the past, public workshops have been conducted to identify the public's concerns regarding the proposed project construction. Public concerns were about aesthetics of the creek, impacts to the biological resources and recreation. The tidewater goby (*Eucyclogobius newberryi*), Federally listed as threatened, has been identified in the lower-most portion of Mission Creek. Steelhead (*Oncorhynchus mykiss*, Federally endangered) of undetermined genetic origin also use the downstream reach of Lower Mission Creek as a channel for migration, although sporadic in their ascent of Mission Creek from the ocean, their irregular presence in this watershed has recently been verified.

3. Proposed Action

Construction of a flood control channel at Lower Mission Creek, Santa Barbara, California.

4. Alternatives

a. *No Action:* No improvement of the Creek.

b. *Proposed Alternative Plans:* The proposed plan would provide up to 3400 cfs (20-year flood protection) and consists of creek improvements from Canon Perdido Street to the Pacific Ocean. The improvements would include stabilized banks at a 2:1 (V:H) slope above U.S. Highway 101, while below U.S. Highway 101, vertical walls would be the dominant bank treatment with a sloped bank applied whenever practicable. A variety of sloped bank stabilization methods will be considered, which includes stabilization of sideslopes using gabions, engineered earth, and/or stepped concrete walls. In

order to increase the conveyance capacity of the creek, the alternatives would incorporate a new covered channel cutting off the "oxbow" area from just above U.S. Highway 101 and rejoining the creek near the Chapala Street bridge. The improved channel would generally follow the existing channel alignment except at the "oxbow" bypass. The "oxbow" would be left in place functioning as a low flow channel. The majority of the 12 bridges within the project reach except for Bath Street bridge and State Street bridge would require some modification or reconstruction.

5. Scoping Process

a. Potential impacts associated with the proposed action will be evaluated. Resource categories that will be analyzed are: land use, physical environment, geology, biology, air quality, water quality, groundwater, recreational usage, aesthetics (visual quality), noise, cultural resources, transportation/circulation, hazardous waste, socioeconomic (including) housing and safety.

b. Participation of affected Federal, State, and local resource agencies, Native American groups and concerned interest groups/individuals is encouraged in the scoping process. A Public Scoping Meeting will be held October 29, 1998. Time and location of the Public Scoping Meeting also will be announced by means of a letter, public announcements, and news releases. Public participation will be especially important in the environmental analysis by providing assistance in defining the scope of analysis in the EIS/EIR; identifying significant environmental issues and impact analysis in the EIS/EIR; and providing useful information such as published and unpublished data, personal knowledge of relevant issues, and recommending mitigation measures associated with the proposed action. Those wishing to provide information or data relevant to the environmental or social impacts that should be included or considered in the environmental analysis can furnish this information by writing to the points of contact indicated above or by attending applicable public scoping meetings. A mailing list will also be established so that pertinent data may be distributed to interested agencies, interest groups and individuals.

Public Scoping Meeting

The scoping meeting is scheduled for October 29, 1998, at 7:00 PM, City Council Chambers, City Hall, De La Guerra Plaza, Santa Barbara, California.