

Dated: May 15, 2000.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

National Security Education Board Meeting

AGENCY: National Defense University, National Security Education Program, Department of the Army.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to Public Law 92-463, notice is hereby given of a forthcoming meeting of the National Security Education Board. The purpose of the meeting is to review and make recommendations to the Secretary of Defense concerning requirements established by the David L. Boren National Security Education Act, Title VII of Public Law 102-183, as amended.

DATES: June 13, 2000.

ADDRESSES: The Crystal City Marriott Hotel, 1999 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, Virginia 22202.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Edmond J. Collier, Deputy Director for Programs, National Security Education Program, 1101 Wilson Boulevard, Suite 1210, Rosslyn, Virginia 22209-2248; (703) 696-1991. Electronic mail address: colliere@ndu.edu.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Board meeting is open to the public.

Dated: May 12, 2000.

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Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army

Final Environmental Assessment for BRAC 95 Disposal and Reuse of Camp Kilmer, New Jersey

AGENCY: Department of the Army, DoD.

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: In accordance with Public Law 101-510 (as amended), the Defense Base Closure and Realignment Act of 1990, the Defense Base Closure and Realignment Commission recommended the closure of Camp Kilmer, New Jersey.

The Final Environmental Assessment (EA) evaluates the environmental impacts of the disposal and subsequent reuse of the 49 acres. Alternatives examined in the EA include no action, unencumbered disposal of the property, encumbered disposal of the property. Encumbered disposal refers to transfer or conveyance of property having restrictions on subsequent use as a result of any Army-imposed or legal restraint. The unencumbered disposal alternative refers to the transfer of property without encumbrances such as environmental restrictions and easements. Under the no action alternative, the Army would not dispose of property but would maintain it in caretaker status for an indefinite period.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before June 19, 2000.

ADDRESSES: A copy of the Final EA may be obtained by writing to Mr. Carl Burgamy, Jr., U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, U.S. Army Engineer District, Mobile (CESAM-PD), 109 St. Joseph Street, Mobile, AL 36602.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Carl Burgamy, Jr. at (334) 690-2036 or telefax at (334) 690-2727.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: While closure of Camp Kilmer is the Army's primary action, the EA also analyzes the potential environmental effects of reuse as a secondary action by means of evaluating intensity-based reuse scenarios. The Army's preferred alternative for disposal of Camp Kilmer's excess property is encumbered disposal, with encumbrances pertaining to easements, use restrictions, restrictions pertaining to asbestos-containing material, future remedial activities after transfer, utility dependencies.

A Notice of Intent (NOI) declaring the Army's intent to prepare an EA for the closure of Camp Kilmer was published in the **Federal Register** on September 22, 1995 (60 FR 49264).

The Final EA is available for review at the Main Public Library, 340 Plainfield Ave., Edison, NJ 08817. Prior to initiating action the Army will consider comments received on this EA.

Dated: May 15, 2000.

Raymond J. Fatz,

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army

Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) for Schofield Barracks Wastewater Treatment Plant Effluent Treatment and Disposal, Oahu, HI

AGENCY: Department of the Army, DoD.

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: This announces the availability of the FEIS, which assesses the effects of implementing a system to treat and dispose of wastewater effluent from Schofield Barracks, Wheeler Army Airfield, and adjacent military lands.

Under the lead alternative, the Army would improve its Schofield Barracks Wastewater Treatment Plant to provide a higher quality effluent that would meet new State of Hawaii guidelines for effluent reuse. Part of the effluent would be used to irrigate two Army golf courses on Schofield Barracks. The balance would then be provided for irrigation reuse to Dole Foods Corporation and possibly other agricultural interests in Central Oahu. Wet weather discharge would be into Lake Wilson, an agricultural reservoir owned by Dole Foods Corporation. The lead alternative would preclude the construction of a long pipeline to the coastline and avoid disposal into the ocean.

Other alternatives considered by the FEIS included the no action alternative, which would limit the use of the Army effluent under the State of Hawaii guidelines for effluent reuse, and a joint project with the City and County of Honolulu (CCH), which would require construction of a new 14-mile pipeline from Central Oahu to the CCH's Honouliuli Wastewater Treatment Plant at the Ewa area.

None of the alternatives considered, with the possible exception of the no action alternative, are anticipated to have significant environmental impact. The Army's lead alternative provides the most potential for effluent reuse in Central Oahu.

DATES: Written comments received within 30 days of the publication of the Environmental Protection Agency's Notice of Availability for this action will be considered by the Army during final decision making.

ADDRESSES: To obtain a copy of the FEIS, contact Mr. Edward Yamada, U.S. Army Engineer District, Honolulu, ATTN: CEPOH-ED-E, Fort Shafter, HI 96858-5440; telephone: (808) 438-5421; FAX: (808) 438-7801.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Alvin Char, 25th Infantry Division

(Light) and U.S. Army Garrison Hawaii, ATTN: APVG-GWV, Schofield Barracks, Hawaii 96857-5013; Telephone: (808) 656-2878, ext. 1062, and Fax (808) 656-1039.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Public scoping meetings and public meetings were held after distribution of the DEIS. All interested individuals, private organizations, and government agencies were encouraged to provide input into the EIS review process. All comments received were addressed and included in the FEIS.

Coordination was undertaken with adjoining land owners; the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency; other Federal agencies; State of Hawaii agencies such as the Departments of Health, Land and Natural Resources, Transportation, Business and Economic Development, Offices of State Planning, and Environmental Quality Control; City and County of Honolulu agencies such as Board of Water Supply, Departments of Public Works, Land Utilization, and General Planning; and organizations such as the Mililani and Wahiawa Neighborhood Boards.

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Raymond J. Fatz,

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army

Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Northern Training Complex With a Multi-Purpose Digital Training Range and Expanded Maneuver Areas, Drop Zones, and Landing Zones at Fort Knox, KY

AGENCY: U.S. Army Armor Center and Fort Knox, Department of the Army.

ACTION: Notice of intent.

SUMMARY: Fort Knox proposes to construct and operate a multi-purpose digital training range and a series of maneuver areas, drop zones and landing zones. These facilities would provide a multi-functional war-fighting capability to meet the Army's training needs for soldiers in urban and restricted terrain combat scenarios. These facilities would upgrade existing substandard range facilities and expand the installation's training capacity to train Armor soldiers in a realistic training environment for urban and restricted terrain combat. The current facilities do not meet modern

tank gunnery standards and are inadequate to support training for regional conflicts in urban and restricted areas. The project would include the installation of fiber optics, upgrading of existing roadways and construction of utilities to the site. The proposed training complex would ensure soldiers are combat ready.

ADDRESSES: Please direct written comments concerning the scope of the Northern Training Complex to:

Al Freeland, Chief, Environmental Management Division, Directorate of Base Operations Support, U.S. Army Armor Center, ATTN: ATZK-OSE, Building 1110, Room 216, Ironsides & 6th Avenue, Fort Knox, KY 40121-5000;

or

Gail Pollock, Environmental Protection Specialist, at the same address; by fax at (502) 624-3000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Al Freeland at (502) 624-3629 or Gail Pollock at (502) 624-6684.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The EIS will consider reasonable alternatives including: (1) Construct the Northern Training Complex that includes the Wilcox Multi-Purpose Digital Training Range (Wilcox MPDTR) and the Maneuver Areas, Drop Zones, and Landing Zones in Training Areas 16, 17, and 18 (Training Area Complex) (preferred alternative); (2) upgrade Yano Multi-Purpose Tank Range to a Digital Range and construct Maneuver Areas, Drop Zones, and landing Zones in Training Areas 16, 17, and 18; (3) upgrade Cedar Creek Multi-Purpose Tank Range to a Digital Range and construct Maneuver Areas, Drop Zones, and Landing Zones in Training Areas 16, 17, and 18; and (4) no action (continue operations with existing ranges and facilities). Other reasonable alternatives will also be considered.

Significant Issues: The primary issues to be analyzed in this EIS include: Noise (aircraft/range firing), impacts to wetlands and riparian areas, removal of approximately 2,500 acres of forests, soil erosion, water quality, endangered species, cultural resources, and other issues raised during public scoping.

Scoping: The Army prepared Draft Environmental Assessments for the Wilcox Multi-Purpose Digital Tank Range and the Training Area 16, 17 and 18 Maneuver/Drop Zones and Landing Zones. The Environmental Assessments resulted in a determination to prepare an EIS to encompass all areas affected within the proposed Northern Training Complex.

A mailing list has been prepared for public scoping and review throughout

the process of preparation of this EIS. This list includes local, state and Federal officials having jurisdictional expertise or other interests in the project; concerned citizens; conservation groups; and local news media.

Comments concerning the scope of the EIS may also be emailed to Ms. Gail Pollock at pollockl@ftknox-emph3.army.mil.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Notice of Proposed Information Collection Requests

AGENCY: Department of Education.

SUMMARY: The Leader, Information Management Group, Office of the Chief Information Officer, invites comments on the proposed information collection requests as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before July 17, 2000.

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 Leader, Information Management Group, Office of the Chief Information Officer, publishes that 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.