

Date: March 19, 1996.

Time: 4 p.m.

Place: Hampshire Hotel, 1310 New Hampshire Ave., N.W., Washington, DC 20036.

Contact Person: Maureen L. Eister, Parklawn Building, Room 9-101, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857; Telephone: (301) 443-3936.

The meeting will be closed in accordance with the provisions set forth in secs. 552b(c)(4) and 552b(c)(6), Title 5, U.S.C. Applications and/or proposals and the discussions could reveal confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable material and personal information concerning individuals associated with the applications and/or proposals, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

This notice is being published less than fifteen days prior to the meeting due to the urgent need to meet timing limitations imposed by the review and funding cycle.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Numbers 93.242, 93.281, 93.282)

Dated: March 13, 1996.

Susan K. Feldman,

Committee Management Officer, NIH.

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### National Institute of Deafness and Other Communication Disorders; Notice of Closed Meeting

Pursuant to Section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 United States Code Appendix 2), notice is hereby given of the following meeting:

Name of Committee: National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders Special Emphasis Panel.

Date: April 1, 1996.

Time: 9:00 to 10:30 a.m.

Place: Executive Plaza South, Room 400C, Bethesda, MD, (telephone conference call).

Contact Person: Marilyn Semmes, Ph.D., Acting Chief, Scientific Review Administrator, NIDCD/DEA/SRB, EPS Room 400C, 6120 Executive Boulevard, MSC 7180, Bethesda, MD 20891-7180, 301-496-8683.

Purpose/Agenda: To review and evaluate a contract proposal. The meeting will be closed in accordance with the provisions set forth in sections 552(c)(4) and 552b(c)(6), Title 5, United States Code. The applications and/or proposals and the discussion could reveal confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable material and personal information concerning individuals associated with the applications and/or proposals, the disclosure of which could constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program No. 93.173 Biological Research Related to Deafness and Communication disorders)

Dated: March 12, 1996.

Susan K. Feldman,

Committee Management Officer, NIH.

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### National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences; Notice of a Closed Meeting

Pursuant to Section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. Appendix 2), notice is hereby given of the following National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences Special Emphasis Panel (SEP) meetings:

Name of SEP: Chromosome-Specific Probes for Non-Human Mammals (SBIR Phase I Topic 47) and Automated Scoring of Sperm with FISH Biomarkers (Topic 48).

Date: April 10, 1996.

Time: 1:00 p.m.

Place: National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences (NIEHS), North Campus, Building 17, Conference Room 1713, Research Triangle Park, NC.

Contact Person: Dr. John Braun, National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences, P.O. Box 12233, Research Triangle Park, NC 27709.

Purpose/Agenda: To review and evaluate contract proposals.

Name of SEP: Statistical Support for NIEHS Experimental Studies.

Date: April 12, 1996.

Time: 9:30 a.m.

Place: National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences, South Campus, Building 101, Conference Room D-350, Research Triangle Park, NC.

Contact Person: Dr. John Braun, National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences, P.O. Box 12233, Research Triangle Park, NC 27709.

Purpose/Agenda: To review and evaluate contract proposals.

These meetings will be closed in accordance with the provisions set forth in secs. 552b(c)(4) and 552b(c)(6), Title 5, U.S.C. Applications and/or proposals and the discussions could reveal confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable material and personal information concerning individuals associated with the applications and/or proposals, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy. (Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Programs Nos. 93.113, Biological Response to Environmental Agents; 93.114, Applied Toxicological Research and Testing; 93.115, Biometry and Risk Estimation; 93.894, Resource and Manpower Development, National Institutes of Health.)

Dated: March 13, 1996.

Susan K. Feldman,

Committee Management Officer, NIH.

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### National Institute of General Medical Sciences; Notice of Meeting

Pursuant to Section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. Appendix 2), notice is hereby given of the following advisory committee meeting of the National Institute of General Medical Sciences.

This meeting will be open to the public as indicated below with attendance limited to space available. Individuals who plan to attend and need special assistance, such as sign language interpretation or other reasonable accommodations, should notify Mrs. Ann Dieffenbach, Public Information Officer, National Institute of General Medical Sciences, National Institutes of Health, Building 45, Room 3AS-43, Bethesda, Maryland 20892, (301) 495-7301, in advance of the meeting.

Mrs. Dieffenbach will provide a summary of the meeting and a roster of committee members upon request. Substantive program information may be obtained from the contact listed below.

Committee Name: Minority Biomedical Research Support Review Subcommittee, Minority Programs Review Committee.

Meeting Date: April 11-12, 1996.

Place: Natcher Conference Center, Conference Room G, 45 Center Drive, Bethesda, Maryland 20892.

Open: April 11, 8:30 a.m.-9:30 a.m..

Agenda: Special reports related to committee activities.

Closed: April 11, 9:30 a.m.-5 p.m.; April 12, 8:30 a.m.-adjournment.

Agenda: Review and evaluation of grant applications.

Contact: Dr. Michael Sesma, Scientific Review Admin., Building 45, Room 1AS-19H, National Institutes of Health, Bethesda, MD 20892. Telephone (301) 594-2048.

This meeting will be closed in accordance with provisions set forth in secs. 552b(c)(4) and 552b(c)(6), Title 5, U.S.C. Applicants and the discussions could reveal confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable material and person information concerning individuals associated with the applications, disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal property.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program No. 93.821, 93.859, 93.862, 93.863, 93.880, and 93.375, National Institute of General Medical Sciences, National Institutes of Health.)

Dated: March 13, 1996.

Susan K. Feldman,

Committee Management Officer, NIH.

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## ADVISORY COMMISSION ON INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

### Notice of Rescheduling Public Hearing on ACIR Preliminary Report, The Role of Federal Mandates in Intergovernmental Relations

**SUMMARY:** The Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations (ACIR) will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, March 26, 1996, beginning at 9:00 a.m. and concluding no later than 4:00 p.m. in the Rayburn House Office Building, Room #2154, Independence Ave. and South Capitol St., SW Washington, DC 20250. The purpose of the hearing is to take testimony on the Commission's preliminary report, The Role of Federal Mandates in Intergovernmental Relations.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** The Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations, 800 K Street, NW., Suite 450, South Tower, Washington, DC 20575, phone: (202) 653-5540 / FAX: (202) 653-5429, Internet: ir002529@interramp.com.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** As required by Section 302(c)(2), the Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations (ACIR) will hold a public hearing to take testimony on the Commission's preliminary report, The Role of Federal Mandates in Intergovernmental Relations. Copies of the report can be obtained by calling ACIR at (202) 653-5640, faxing a request to (202) 653-5429, or accessing the ACIR Internet home page ([www.access.gpo.gov/acir](http://www.access.gpo.gov/acir) or [www.access.gpo:80/acir](http://www.access.gpo:80/acir)).

The public hearing will be held on March 26, 1996, in the Rayburn House Office Building, Room #2154, Independence Ave. and South Capitol St., SW, Washington, DC 20250. To enter the Rayburn Building use the South Capitol Street entrance which is equipped with wheelchair access via ramp.

The hearing will be conducted beginning at 9:00 AM and concluding no later than 4:00 PM. Oral testimony will be limited to 5 minutes per person. Written testimony in lieu of an oral statement and/or to supplement an oral statement will be accepted at the hearing. Individuals who wish to be scheduled in advanced to testify should send a written request by mail or fax to: MacArthur C. Jones, ACIR, 800 K Street, NW, Suite 450, South Tower, Washington, DC 20575. The fax number is: (202) 653-5429. In the testimony request, please provide your name, address, telephone and fax or internet number, if available. Also, it would be helpful, if you included information

such as the organization being represented and/or the primary topic in the ACIR report upon which you wish to testify. Individuals with special needs (e.g. sign language interpreters for the hearing impaired) are requested to indicate such in their written request to testify. People submitting advance written requests to testify will be scheduled for testimony in order of request receipt.

Dated: March 13, 1996.  
William E. Davis,  
*Executive Director.*  
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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

[WO-320-1990-2-24 1A]

#### Extension of Currently Approved Information Collection, OMB Approval Number 1004-0025

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) is announcing its intention to request extension of approval to collect certain information from all owners of unpatented mining claims or mill sites who desire to apply for a mineral patent to their mining claim or mill site. Also included in this extension request are collections of information from any rival claimant with overlapping claims to the land applied for, or from anyone challenging the issuance of the patent upon alleged failure to follow law or regulation. BLM uses this information to determine the right to a mineral patent and to secure a settlement of all disputes concerning the property in order to issue the patent to the rightful owner.

**DATES:** Comments on the proposed information collection must be received by May 17, 1996, to be assured of consideration.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments may be mailed to: Regulatory Management Team (420), Bureau of Land Management, 1849 C Street NW., Room 401LS, Washington, D.C. 20240.

Comments may be sent via Internet to: [WO140@attmail.com](mailto:WO140@attmail.com). Please include "ATTN: 1004-0114" and your name and return address in your Internet message.

Comments may be hand-delivered to the Bureau of Land Management Administrative Record, Room 401, 1620 L Street, NW, Washington, DC.

Comments will be available for public review at the L Street address during regular business hours (7:45 a.m. to 4:15 p.m.), Monday through Friday.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Roger A. Haskins, Solid Minerals Group, (202) 452-0355.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** In accordance with 5 CFR 1320.12(a), BLM is required to provide 60-day notice in the Federal Register concerning a collection of information contained in current rules to solicit comments on (a) whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the 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 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. BLM will analyze any comments sent in response to this notice and include them with its request for extension of approval from the Office of Management and Budget under 44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*

Under the General Mining Law (30 U.S.C. 29, 30, and 39), those who explore for and locate valuable mineral deposits on the public domain are rewarded for their efforts by the opportunity to obtain legal title (patent) to the land. The patent process is implemented by BLM's regulations at 43 CFR Part 3860, which were revised into their current form in 1970 (35 FR 9754, June 13, 1970) and amended in 1973 (38 FR 30001, October 31, 1973). The implementing regulations require a patent applicant to provide the following information:

**Mineral survey application.** Under 43 CFR Subpart 3861, the holder of a claim who desires to obtain a patent must submit to BLM a mineral survey for all lode claims, most mill sites, and placer claims located upon unsurveyed public lands, as a pre requisite to applying for patent. BLM uses Bureau Form 3860-5 to collect the mining claim or site recording, chain-of-title, and geographic location information so that BLM can authorize a Deputy United States