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**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Any of the following points of contact for each agency for technical information (see "Addresses" section above for directions on obtaining a copy of the draft MARSSIM): DOE: Kenneth Duvall, Phone: (202) 586-0242, U.S. Department of Energy (EH-412), 1000 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20585; EPA: Mark Doehnert; Phone: (202) 233-9386, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Mail Stop 6603J, 401 M. Street, SW, Washington DC 20460; NRC: Robert A. Meck, Phone: (301) 415-6205, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, MS T-9C24, Washington DC 20555. Questions concerning the multi-agency document development project should be addressed to CDR Colleen Petullo, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency/U.S. Public Health Service, RIENL, PO Box 98517, Las Vegas, NV 89193-8517, (702) 798-2476.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The MARSSIM provides information on planning, conducting, evaluating, and documenting environmental radiological surveys for demonstrating compliance with dose-based regulations. The MARSSIM, when finalized, will be a multi-agency consensus document.

MARSSIM was developed collaboratively over the past three years by the technical staffs of the four Federal agencies having authority for control of radioactive materials: DOD, DOE, EPA, and NRC (60 FR 12555). Contractors to the DOE, EPA, and NRC, and members of the public have been present during the open meetings of the MARSSIM work group.

MARSSIM's objective is to describe standardized and consistent approaches for surveys, which provide a high degree of assurance that established dose-based release criteria, limits, guidelines, and conditions of the regulatory agencies are satisfied at all stages of the process, while at the same time encouraging an effective use of resources. The techniques, methodologies, and philosophies that form the bases of this manual were developed to be consistent with current Federal limits, guidelines, and procedures.

Although Federal agency personnel are involved in the preparation of this document, the manual does not represent the official position of any

participating agency at this time. An earlier draft of the document has been reviewed within the Federal agencies. Comments were received and comments from the review that reflected a technical error or flaw in logic or information flow were addressed. The other comments from the Federal agencies will be addressed along with the public comments. The public review is a necessary step in the development of a final multi-agency consensus document. The document will also receive formal technical peer review. The draft has not been approved by the participating agencies for use in part or in whole and should not be used, cited, or quoted except for the purposes of providing comments as requested.

Reviewers are requested to focus on technical accuracy, and understandability. Reviewers are also requested to address five questions while reviewing the MARSSIM:

(1) Does the MARSSIM provide a practical and implementable approach to performing radiation surveys and site investigations? Are there any major drawbacks to the proposed methods?

(2) Is the MARSSIM technically accurate?

(3) Does the MARSSIM provide benefits that are not available using current methods? What is the value of the MARSSIM in comparison with other currently available alternatives?

(4) What are the costs associated with the MARSSIM in comparison with other currently available alternatives?

(5) Is the information in the MARSSIM understandable and presented in a logical sequence? How can the presentation of material be modified to improve the understandability of the manual?

Comments may be submitted as proposed modified text, or as a discussion. Comments should be accompanied by supporting bases, rationale, or data. To ensure efficient and complete comment resolution, commenters are requested to reference the page number and the line number of the MARSSIM to which the comment applies (enter only the beginning page and line number, even if your comment applies to a number of pages or lines to follow).

Comments corresponding to an entire chapter, an entire section, or an entire table should be referenced to the line number for the title of the chapter (always line number 1), section, or table. Comments on footnotes should be referenced to the line in the main text where the footnote is indicated. Comments on figures should be referenced to the page on which the figure appears (figures do not have line

numbers). The figure number should be included in the text of the comment. Comments on the entire manual should be referenced to the title page.

Title: Draft Multi-Agency Radiation Survey and Site Investigation Manual.

For the Department of Defense, dated this 20th day of December 1996.

Gary D. Vest,

*Principal Assistant Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Environmental Security.*

Title: Draft Multi-Agency Radiation Survey and Site Investigation Manual.

For the U. S. Department of Energy, dated this 5th day of December 1996.

Raymond P. Berube,

*Deputy Assistant Secretary for Environment.*

Title: Draft Multi-Agency Radiation Survey and Site Investigation Manual.

For the U. S. Environmental Protection Agency, dated this 9th day of December 1996.

E. Ramona Trovato,

*Director, Office of Radiation and Indoor Air.*

Title: Draft Multi-Agency Radiation Survey and Site Investigation Manual.

For the U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, dated this 2nd day of December 1996.

David Morrison,

*Director, Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research.*

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## Department of the Army

### Corps of Engineers

#### Availability of Surplus Land and Buildings Located at Sierra Army Depot (SIAD), Herlong, CA

**AGENCY:** U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, DOD.

**ACTION:** Notice of availability.

**SUMMARY:** This notice identifies the surplus real property located at Sierra Army Depot (SIAD), Herlong, CA. SIAD is located approximately 55 miles north northwest of Reno, NV just north of U.S. Highway 395. SIAD is a base realignment facility and major portions of the installation are being retained for active missions.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For more information regarding a particular building or parcel (i.e., acreage, floor plans, existing utilities, exact street address), contact Mr. Jimmy Spain, Base Transition Coordinator at (916) 827-4488; Mr. Larry Weed, Base Transition Officer at (916) 827-4391; or Ms. Jackie Cumpton, Realty Specialist at (916) 557-6845.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This surplus property is available under the provisions of the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949 and the Base Closure Community Redevelopment and Homeless Assistance Act of 1994.

The surplus real property consists of approximately 1,504 acres which includes approximately 960 acres along the east shore of Honey Lake and approximately 544 acres of land known as the cantonment area or Herlong parcel located at the southwest corner of the installation. The Herlong parcel consists of 6 office buildings, 1 storage building, and 4 other buildings. The current range of uses include industrial, storage, commercial, educational, and housing facilities.

Notices of interest must be submitted within 90 days from December 10, 1996. Notices of interest should be forwarded to Sierra Local Redevelopment Authority, Attention: Mr. Pat Landon, 1121-A Honey Way, P.O. Box 117, Herlong, CA 96113; (916) 827-3480.

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## Corps of Engineers

### Notice of Availability for the Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement and General Reevaluation Report of the Green Brook Flood Control Project in the Green Brook Sub-Basin of the Raritan River Basin, Middlesex, Somerset, and Union Counties in the State of New Jersey

**AGENCY:** U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, DOD.

**ACTION:** Notice of availability.

**SUMMARY:** The Army Corps of Engineers, New York District, in coordination with the project sponsor, the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, has conducted a General Reevaluation Study of an authorized flood protection project in the Green Brook Sub-Basin of the Raritan River in New Jersey. A supplement to the 1980 Final Environmental Impact Statement has been prepared in association with the Reevaluation Study. Public Information meetings are scheduled for January 1997.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Questions about the proposed actions, Feasibility Study, and DSEIS can be addressed to Mr. Bill Richardson, New York District Army Corps of Engineers, ATTN: CENAN-PL-ES, 26 Federal

Plaza, New York, NY 10278-0090, (212) 264-1275.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### Background

1. The Green Brook Sub-Basin is a component of the Raritan River drainage basin in north central New Jersey. The Green Brook Sub-Basin has a 65 square mile watershed. The Sub-Basin is located between the Watchung Mountains and the Raritan River in Middlesex, Somerset, and Union Counties.

2. In response to resolutions of the United States Senate Public Works Committee adopted 15 September 1955 and 10 July 1972 to adopt recommendations for flood control, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New York District prepared a feasibility report and a final environmental impact statement in August 1980. A project similar to "Plan A" as described in the 1980 feasibility study was authorized for construction under the Water Resources Development Act of 1986.

3. The flood problems of the Green Brook Sub-Basin result from a combination of natural hydrologic and hydraulic features coupled with dense development within the floodplains. The Green Brook flows southwest from the slopes of the Watchung Mountains. The path of the streams within the sub-basin flow from relatively undeveloped mountains through a broad flat floodplain which is largely suburban and industrialized. Streams included in the study are: Ambrose Brook, Bound Brook, Bonygutt Brook, Municipal Brook, Stony Brook, Blue Brook, Cedar Brook, and Middle Brook. Flood damages in the tri-county basin are quite severe due to the level of development within the sub-basin. Notable storms which have caused flood conditions in the sub-basin occurred in May 1968, August 1971, August 1973, July 1975, September 1979, July 1984, and October 1996.

4. The Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (DSEIS) describes the impacts of the proposed project on environmental and cultural resources in the study area. The DSEIS also applies guidelines issued by the Environmental Protection Agency, under the authority of the Clean Water Act of 1977 (Public Law 96-217). An evaluation for the proposed actions on the waters of the United States was performed pursuant to the guidelines of the Administrator, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, under authority of Section 404 of the Clean Water Act. The results of the evaluation are presented in the DSEIS.

5. This Notice of Availability is being sent to organizations and individuals known to have an interest in the project. Please bring this notice to the attention of any other individuals with an interest in this matter. Copies of the DSEIS and General Reevaluation Report are available upon request for review at the following locations:

Berkley Heights Public Library, 290 Plainfield Avenue, Berkley Heights, New Jersey.  
Bound Brook Public Library, 402 Ease High Street, Bound Brook, New Jersey.  
Bridgewater Public Library, Box 6700, Bridgewater, New Jersey.  
Dunellen Public Library, New Market Road, Dunellen, New Jersey.  
Fanwood Public Library, North Avenue and Tillotson Road, Fanwood, New Jersey.  
Middlesex Public Library, 1300 Mountain Avenue, Middlesex, New Jersey.  
North Plainfield Public Library, 6 Rockview Avenue, North Plainfield, New Jersey.  
Piscataway Public Library, 500 Hoes Lane, Piscataway, New Jersey.  
Plainfield Public Library, 8th and Park Avenue, Plainfield, New Jersey.  
Scotch Plains Public Library, 1927 Bartle Avenue, Scotch Plains, New Jersey.  
South Plainfield Public Library, 2840 Plainfield Avenue, South Plainfield, New Jersey.  
Summit Public Library, 75 Maple Street, Summit, New Jersey.  
Watchung Public Library, 12 Stirling Road, Watchung, New Jersey.

6. Requests for copies of the DSEIS may be mailed to the following address: Bill Richardson, ATTN: CENAN-PL-ES, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New York District, 26 Federal Plaza, New York, New York 10278-0090.

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## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

### Notice of proposed information collection requests

**AGENCY:** Department of Education.

**ACTION:** Notice of Proposed Information Collection Requests.

**SUMMARY:** The Acting Chief Information Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer, invites comments on the proposed information collection