

areas of conflict, overlap, and omissions in interagency policies related to the provision of services to infants, toddlers, and preschoolers with disabilities; (2) develop and implement joint policy interpretations on issues related to infants, toddlers, and preschoolers that cut across Federal agencies, including modifications of regulations to eliminate barriers to interagency programs and activities; and (3) coordinate the provision of technical assistance and dissemination of best practice information. The FICC is chaired by the Assistant Secretary for Special Education and Rehabilitative Services.

The meeting of the FICC is open to the public and will be physically accessible. Anyone requiring accommodations such as an interpreter, materials in Braille, large print, or cassette please call Kim Lawrence at (202) 205-5507 ten days in advance of the meeting.

Summary minutes of the FICC meetings will be maintained and available for public inspection at the U.S. Department of Education, 330 C Street, SW, Room 3080, Switzer Building, Washington, DC 20202-2644, from the hours of 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., weekdays, except Federal holidays.

Judith E. Heumann,

Assistant Secretary for Special Education and Rehabilitative Services.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

National Educational Research Policy and Priorities Board; Meeting

AGENCY: National Educational Research Policy and Priorities Board; Education.

ACTION: Notice of partially closed meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice sets forth the schedule and proposed agenda of a forthcoming meeting of the National Educational Research Policy and Priorities Board. Notice of this meeting is required under Section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act. This document is intended to notify the general public of their opportunity to attend the open portions of the meeting.

DATE: September 16, 1999.

TIME: 9: a.m. to 2 p.m., open; 2 p.m. (approximately) to 5 p.m., closed.

LOCATION: Room 100, 80 F St., NW, Washington, D.C. 20208-7564.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Thelma Leenhouts, Designated Federal Official, National Educational Research Policy and Priorities Board,

Washington, DC 20208-7564. Tel.: (202) 219-2065; fax: (202) 219-1528; e-mail: Thelma_Leenhouts@ed.gov, or nerppb@ed.gov. The main telephone number for the Board is (202) 208-0692.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The National Educational Research Policy and Priorities Board, is authorized by Section 921 of the Educational Research, Development, Dissemination, and Improvement Act of 1994. The Board works collaboratively with the Assistant Secretary for the Office of Educational Research and Improvement (OERI) to forge a national consensus with respect to a long-term agenda for educational research, development, and dissemination, and to provide advice and assistance to the Assistant Secretary in administering the duties of the Office. From 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., the Board will conduct outstanding business in open session and hear reports on its recommendations regarding peer review and on the midterm evaluations of the research and development centers. The meeting will be closed to the public from approximately 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. under the authority of Section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463; 5 U.S.C. Appendix I) and under exemptions 4 and 9(B) of Section 552b of title 5 U.S.C. The Board will discuss proposals of a privileged or confidential nature and other information the premature disclosure of which would be likely to significantly frustrate implementation of a proposed agency action. A final agenda will be available from the Board office on September 9, 1999, and will be posted on the Board's web site, <http://www.ed.gov/offices/OERI/NERPPB/>.

A summary of the activities at the closed session and related matters which are informative to the public consistent with the policy of title 5 U.S.C. 552b will be available to the public within 14 days of the meeting. Records are kept of all Board proceedings and are available for public inspection at the office of National Educational Research Policy and Priorities Board, Suite 100, 80 F St., NW, Washington, DC 20208-7564.

Dated: August 24, 1999.

Eve M. Bither,

Executive Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Notice of Floodplain and Wetlands Involvement for the Development of Soil Borrow Areas Near the Weldon Spring Site

AGENCY: Office of Environmental Management, DOE.

ACTION: Notice of floodplain and wetlands involvement.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) is proposing to develop two soil borrow areas at the Weldon Spring Site, located in St. Charles County, Missouri. The borrow areas would provide materials necessary to fill the Weldon Spring quarry. The proposed action will ensure continued protectiveness of human health and the environment. The proposed borrow areas contain a number of small wetlands and, in addition, one of the borrow areas is located within the Missouri River 100 year-floodplain. In accordance with 10 CFR Part 1022, DOE is preparing a floodplain and wetlands assessment and will perform this proposed action in a manner so as to avoid or minimize potential harm to or within the affected floodplain and wetlands.

DATES: Comments are due to the address below no later than September 14, 1999.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be addressed to Mr. Steve McCracken, U.S. Department of Energy, Weldon Spring Site Remedial Action Project, 7295 Highway 94 South, St. Charles, MO 63304. Comments may be faxed to (636) 447-0739.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION ON THIS PROPOSED ACTION, CONTACT: Mr. Steve McCracken, U. S. Department of Energy, Weldon Spring Site Remedial Action Project, 7295 Highway 94 South, St. Charles, MO 63304, (636) 441-8978.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION ON GENERAL DOE FLOODPLAIN/WETLANDS ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW REQUIREMENTS, CONTACT: Carol M. Borgstrom, Director Office of NEPA Policy and Assistance, EH-42, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20585, (202) 586-4600 or (800) 472-2756.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The DOE is conducting response actions at its Weldon Spring Site under the direction of the DOE Office of Environmental Management. The Weldon Spring Site is located in St. Charles County, Missouri, approximately 48 km (30 miles) west of St. Louis. As part of the overall cleanup of the Weldon Spring Site, the DOE is proposing to backfill an abandoned quarry, located approximately 3.9 km

(2.5 miles) southwest of the site, within the State of Missouri Weldon Spring Conservation Area. The quarry was used for the disposal of chemically and radioactively contaminated materials between the 1940s and 1960s. Removal of bulk waste from the quarry was completed in October, 1995. This action is intended to mitigate physical hazards associated with an open quarry and eliminate ponded water in the sump.

Two soil borrow areas are proposed as the source for the fill material. The primary area proposed for the excavation of borrow material is located approximately 0.37 km (0.23 mile) southwest of the quarry, within the Weldon Spring Conservation Area. This proposed borrow area is approximately 8 ha (20 acres) in size, bounded by Femme Osage Creek, Femme Osage Slough, and Little Femme Osage Creek, and is approximately 1.2 km (0.77 mile) from the Missouri River. One small palustrine forested wetland occurs within the area to be excavated, and several small palustrine wetlands occur in immediately adjacent areas. This proposed borrow area lies entirely within the 100 year floodplain of the Missouri River. A second area proposed for excavation of material, if necessary, is located approximately 1.7 km (1.1 miles) northeast of the quarry, and is also within the Weldon Spring Conservation Area. This proposed borrow area is approximately 1.2 ha (3.1 acres) in size and lies approximately 75 m (246 feet) from a perennial tributary of the Little Femme Osage Creek. Several small palustrine wetlands occur within, and adjacent to, the area proposed for excavation.

Contaminated bulk materials and soil have been excavated from within the quarry and all exposed surfaces have been decontaminated. The proposed action would prevent any further migration of contaminants from the quarry. The anticipated volume of fill material required for the proposed action would be approximately 86,400 m³ (113,000 yd³). Excavation depth within the principal borrow area would be approximately 2.4 m (8 feet); the additional borrow area also would be excavated to a depth of approximately 2.4 m (8 feet). Erosion controls would be installed down gradient from all excavations to prevent the transport of silt downstream by stormwater flows. Restoration of excavated areas would include grading to avoid steep or vertical slopes.

In accordance with DOE regulations for compliance with floodplain and wetlands environmental review requirements (10 CFR Part 1022), DOE is preparing a floodplain and wetlands

assessment for this proposed DOE action. After DOE issues the assessment, a floodplain statement of findings will be published in the **Federal Register**.

Issued in Oak Ridge, Tennessee on August 19, 1999.

James L. Elmore,

Alternate Oak Ridge Operations, National Environmental Policy Act, Compliance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Secretary of Energy Advisory Board; Notice of Open Teleconference Meeting

AGENCY: Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of open teleconference meeting.

SUMMARY: Consistent with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Public Law 92-463, 86 Stat. 770), notice is hereby given of the following advisory committee teleconference:

Name: Secretary of Energy Advisory Board

The purpose of the teleconference is to discuss the findings and recommendation of the Task Force on Fusion Energy, a subcommittee of the Board.

DATES AND TIME: Thursday, September 2, 1999, 1:30 PM-3:00 PM Eastern Time.

ADDRESSES: Participants may call the Office of the Secretary of Energy Advisory Board at (202) 586-7092 to reserve a teleconference line and receive a call-in number. Public participation is welcomed. However, the number of teleconference lines are limited and are available on a first come basis.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Richard C. Burrow, Secretary of Energy Advisory Board (AB-1), U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, D.C. 20585, (202) 586-1709 or (202) 586-6279 (fax).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose of the Board

The Secretary of Energy Advisory Board (Board) reports directly to the Secretary of Energy and is chartered under the Federal Advisory Committee Act, section 624(b) of the Department of Energy Organization Act (Public Law 95-91). The Board provides the Secretary of Energy with essential independent advice and recommendations on issues of national importance. On September 2, the Board

will conduct a teleconference to discuss Realizing the Promise of Fusion Energy: Final Report of the Task Force on Fusion Energy (August 9, 1999), a report by a subcommittee of the Board.

Purpose of the Task Force on Fusion Energy

The Secretary of Energy directed the Board to form the Task Force on Fusion Energy, a subcommittee of the Board, to conduct a thorough review of all the Department's fusion energy technologies, both inertial and magnetic. The review was to analyze and provide recommendations on the role of each of these fusion technologies as part of a national fusion energy research program. The analysis was to address whether the current and planned resources within the Office of Fusion Energy Sciences budget are appropriately balanced among the concepts to provide the scientific basis for an informed selection of the best option for development as a fusion energy source.

The SEAB Task Force on Fusion Energy was to take into account the program's relationship to international fusion energy programs, the connection of inertial fusion energy research to the stockpile stewardship activities in Defense Programs, and the broader science and educational goals that may be enabled by fusion technologies.

Tentative Agenda

Thursday, September 2, 1999

1:30 PM-1:40 PM—Welcome & Opening Remarks—SEAB Chairman Andrew Athy
1:40 PM-2:00 PM—Overview of Fusion Energy Task Force's Findings and Recommendations—Task Force Chairman, Richard Meserve
2:00 PM-2:30 PM—Public Comment Period
2:30 PM-3:00 PM—SEAB Review & Comment and Action—SEAB Chairman Andrew Athy
3:00 PM—Adjourn

This tentative agenda is subject to change.

Public Participation: The Chairman of the Secretary of Energy

Advisory Board is empowered to conduct the teleconference in a way that will, in the Chairman's judgment, facilitate the orderly conduct of business. During its teleconference, the Board welcomes public comment. Members of the public will be heard during the public comment period. The Board will make every effort to hear the views of all interested parties. Written comments may be submitted to Elizabeth Mullins, Executive Director,