

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**Office of the Secretary****General Solicitation of Comments From the General Public on Review of the National Information Assurance Partnership (NIAP)**

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, DOD, National Cyber Security Division, DHS.

ACTION: Notice for general solicitation of comments.

SUMMARY: The National Strategy to Secure Cyberspace, issued by the Office of the President in February of 2003 required the Federal Government to conduct a comprehensive review of the National Information Assurance Partnership (NIAP) to determine the extent to which it is adequately addressing the continuing problem of security flaws in commercial software products. The Department of Defense (DoD) and the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) were tasked with conducting the review on behalf of the Federal government. In an effort to ensure a comprehensive review of the subject, DoD and DHS seek public comment on the issues that should be considered before completing this review.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before March 4, 2005.

ADDRESSES: Submit comments electronically to DOD/DHS at NIAPReview@ida.org. Send written comments to: The Institute for Defense Analyses, 4850 Mark Center Drive, Alexandria, VA 22311, Attention: NIAP Review.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Greg Larsen, Institute for Defense Analyses, (703) 845-6661, e-mail: glarsen@ida.org.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: During this review, DoD and DHS considered the results of current policy and practices, the general efficacy and adequacy of current capabilities, and the expectations of stakeholders. In addition, the scope of the review was extended beyond NIAP security testing, evaluation and assessment of information technology (IT) products to include the policy support infrastructure and integration into system development acquisition processes.

NIAP is a U.S. Government initiative originated to meet the security testing needs of both IT consumers and producers. NIAP is collaboration between the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) and the National Security Agency (NSA) in

fulfilling their respective responsibilities under Pub. L. 100-235 (Computer Security Act of 1987). To obtain more information on NIAP please go to: <http://niap.nist.gov/>.

To obtain a copy of The National Strategy to Secure Cyberspace please go to:

http://www.dhs.gov/interweb/assetlibrary/National_Cyberspace_Strategy.pdf.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**Department of the Army; Corps of Engineers****Intent To Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement for Proposed Wharf Improvements and Fill at Apra Harbor, GU**

AGENCY: Department of the Army; U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, DoD.

ACTION: Notice of intent.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to section 102(2)(c) of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969 as implemented by the Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) regulations (40 CFR parts 1500-1508), the Port Authority of Guam and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers hereby give notice of intent to prepare a Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for proposed wharf improvements and fill at Apra Harbor, Guam.

Under a Federal grant from the U.S. Department of Commerce Economic Development Administration, the Port Authority of Guam is proposing modifications to Apra Harbor for the purpose of improving maritime access and services to the island of Guam. The harbor is in need of improvements to meet anticipated future demands of the island's commercial port operations by providing additional cargo container storage area, and berthing facilities capable of accommodating the newest generation of large deep draft container vessels, and cruise ships. The proposed improvements would also provide contingency berthing facilities for U.S. Navy military vessels.

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers will be the lead agency in preparing the EIS. The EIS will provide an analysis of potential impacts to the environment from the proposed modifications to Apra Harbor, in compliance with NEPA and CEQ regulations.

DATES: In order to be considered in the draft EIS, comments and suggestions should be received no later than June 1, 2005.

ADDRESSES: Send written comments to U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Honolulu District, ATTN: Mr. James Hatashima, Project Manager, Civil and Public Works Branch (CEPOH-PP-C), Rm. 312, Bldg. 230, Fort Shafter, HI 96858-5440.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Questions or comments concerning the proposed action should be addressed to Mr. James Hatashima, Phone: (808) 438-2264, e-mail:

james.k.hatashima@usace.army.mil.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Apra Harbor is the commercial hub of Guam, handling both containerized and conventional cargo from around the world. The harbor is located near the center of the western coast of Guam. It is a natural harbor, protected by Orote Peninsula to the south and Cabras Island to the north. Proposed modifications would occur within outer Apra Harbor along the presently undeveloped, southern face of the Glass Breakwater, located west of Wharf F-2 on Cabras Island. The proposed improvements would provide additional berthing area and increased landside capacity for commercial port cargo storage and handling operations.

Proposed Action—Harbor improvements under consideration include: (1) Construction of a new 1,500-foot wharf to the east of Hotel Wharf. Improvements may include construction of a cellular sheet pile bulkhead, deposition of approximately 950,000 cubic yards of fill material in Apra Harbor, and construction of mechanized cargo container handling facilities; (2) Placement of approximately 500,000 cubic yards of fill over 18 acres of submerged lands in three areas along the east end of the Glass Breakwater. Improvements may also include construction of rock revetments, and construction of cargo container storage yard facilities; (3) Dredging of submerged lands to depths of 55 to 60 feet in waters adjacent to the proposed 1,500-foot wharf to accommodate larger deep draft commercial and military vessels.

Project Alternatives—Alternatives to be considered include: (1) "No Action". No improvements would be undertaken and existing port facilities within Apra Harbor would remain unchanged; (2) Alternate designs, and construction methods; (3) Alternate sources and types of fill material (4) Dredge material disposal alternatives.

To provide a forum for the public to obtain information on the project, the

Port Authority of Guam and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers will hold a public scoping meeting on or about February 2005. The purpose of the scoping meeting is to present information and solicit public input, in the form of oral and written comments, on the proposed action and alternatives under consideration. Interested agencies, organizations, and individuals are invited to attend and participate in the scoping meeting to help determine the range of issues and alternatives to be addressed in the EIS. The date, time, and location of the scoping meeting will be publicly announced.

The draft EIS is anticipated to be available for public review in November 2005, and a public meeting will be held after publication of the draft EIS. The date, time, and location of the meeting will be publicly announced.

Brenda S. Bowen,

Army Federal Register Liaison Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army; Corps of Engineers

Inland Waterways Users Board

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

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

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

Name of Committee: Inland Waterways Users Board (Board).

Date: February 24, 2005.

Location: The Washington Court Hotel, 525 New Jersey Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20001-1527, (1-202-628-2100).

Time: Registration will begin at 8:30 a.m. and the meeting is scheduled to adjourn at 1 p.m.

Agenda: The Board will hear briefings on the status of both the funding for inland navigation projects and studies, and the Inland Waterways Trust Fund. The Board will also consider its priorities for the next fiscal year.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Norman T. Edwards, Headquarters, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, CEMP-POD, 441 G Street, NW., Washington, DC 20314-1000; Ph: 202-761-1934.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The meeting is open to the public. Any interested person may attend, appear before, or file statements with the

committee at the time and in the manner permitted by the committee.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

AGENCY: Department of Education.

SUMMARY: The Leader, Information Management Case Services Team, Regulatory Information Management Services, Office of the Chief Information Officer invites comments on the submission for OMB review as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before March 4, 2005.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be addressed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Carolyn Lovett, Desk Officer, Department of Education, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street, NW., Room 10235, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503 or faxed to (202) 395-6974.

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 Case Services Team, Regulatory Information Management Services, 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.

Dated: January 27, 2005.

Angela C. Arrington,

Leader, Information Management Case Services Team, Regulatory Information Management Services, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

Office of the Undersecretary

Type of Review: New.

Title: Study of No Child Left Behind Flexibility Provisions (previous title—Flexing Federal Dollars Study.)

Frequency: One time.

Affected Public: State, local, or tribal Gov't, SEAs or LEAs.

Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:

Responses: 640.

Burden Hours: 356.

Abstract: To evaluate how school districts are using the provisions for enhanced flexibility over the use of Federal education funds authorized under the No Child Left Behind Act.

Requests for copies of the submission for OMB review; comment request may be accessed from <http://edicsweb.ed.gov>, by selecting the "Browse Pending Collections" link and by clicking on link number 2640. When you access the information collection, click on "Download Attachments" to view. Written requests for information should be addressed to U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., Potomac Center, 9th Floor, Washington, DC 20202-4700. Requests may also be electronically mailed to the Internet address OCIO_RIMG@ed.gov or faxed to 202-245-6621. Please specify the complete title of the information collection when making your request.

Comments regarding burden and/or the collection activity requirements should be directed to Katrina Ingalls at her e-mail address Katrina.Ingalls@ed.gov. Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

AGENCY: Department of Education.

SUMMARY: The Leader, Information Management Case Services Team, Regulatory Information Management Services, Office of the Chief Information Officer invites comments on the submission for OMB review as required