

Further information about this meeting can be obtained from Mr. Daniel C. Schneider, Advisory Committee Management Officer, National Endowment for the Humanities, 1100 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20506, or by calling (202) 606-8322, TDD (202) 606-8282. Advance notice of any special needs or accommodations is appreciated.

Daniel C. Schneider,
Advisory Committee Management Officer.
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NATIONAL INDIAN GAMING COMMISSION

Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement and of a Scoping Meeting for the Lytton Rancheria San Pablo Casino Project, San Pablo, CA

AGENCY: National Indian Gaming Commission.

ACTION: Notice of intent.

SUMMARY: The notice advises the public that the National Indian Gaming Commission (NIGC), in cooperation with the Lytton Rancheria of California ("Lytton Rancheria"), intends to gather information necessary for preparing an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for a proposed casino project to be located in Contra Costa County, California. The purpose of the proposed action is to help address the socio-economic needs of the Lytton Rancheria. Details of the proposed action and location are provided below in the Supplemental Information section. The scoping process will include notifying the general public and federal, state, local, and tribal agencies of the proposed action. This notice also announces a public scoping meeting that will be held for the proposed action. The purpose of scoping is to identify public and agency concerns, and alternatives to be considered in the EIS.

DATES: Written comments on the scope of the EIS should arrive by August 16, 2004. The public hearing will be held on July 30, 2004, from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m., or until the last public comment is received.

ADDRESSES: Written comments on the scope of the EIS should be addressed to: Christine Nagle, NEPA Coordinator, National Indian Gaming Commission, 1441 L Street NW., 9th Floor, Washington, DC 20005, telephone (202) 632-7003. Please include your name,

return address, and the caption: "DEIS Scoping Comments, Lytton Rancheria Casino Project", on the first page of your written comments.

The public hearing will be co-hosted by the NIGC and the Lytton Rancheria. The meeting location is Maple Hall, 13831 San Pablo Avenue, Building #4, San Pablo, CA 94806.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For general information on NEPA review procedures or status of the NEPA review, contact Christine Nagle, NIGC NEPA Coordinator, 202-632-7003.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The proposed federal action is the approval of a gaming management contract between the Lytton Rancheria and California Indian Gaming Management, LLC ("CIGM"). The approval of the gaming management contract would result in the development of a casino and supporting facilities. The facility will be managed by CIGM on behalf of the Lytton Rancheria, pursuant to the terms of a gaming management contract. The proposed development would take place on an approximately 9.5 acre site (the project site) that is held in trust by the United States for the benefit of the Lytton Rancheria. The project site is located in the City of San Pablo in Contra Costa County, and within one mile of Interstate 80. Surrounding land uses are urban, and include a hospital, offices, restaurants, and retail. In addition to the proposed action, a reasonable range of alternatives, including a no action alternative will be analyzed in the EIS.

The Lytton Rancheria consists of approximately 259 members. It is governed by a tribal council, consisting of seven members, under a constitution that was passed by vote of the members on August 30, 1996.

The NIGC will serve as lead agency for compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA).

Public Comment Solicitation: Written comments pertaining to the proposed action will be accepted throughout the EIS planning process. However, to ensure proper consideration in preparation of the draft EIS, scoping comments should be received by August 16, 2004. The draft EIS is planned for publication and distribution towards the end of 2004.

Individual commenters may request confidentiality. If you wish us to withhold your name and/or address from public review or from disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act, you must state this prominently at the beginning of your written comment. Such requests will be honored to the extent allowed by law. Anonymous

comments will not, however, be considered. All submissions from organizations or businesses, and from individuals identifying themselves as representatives or officials of organizations or businesses, will be made available for public inspection in their entirety.

Authority: This notice is published pursuant to Sec. 1503.1 of the Council of Environmental Quality Regulations (40 CFR, Part 1500 through 1508 implementing the procedural requirements of the NEPA of 1969, as amended (42 U.S.C. 4371 *et seq.*)), and the NIGC NEPA Procedures Manual.

Dated: July 8, 2004.

Philip N. Hogen,

Chairman.

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Agency Information Collection Activities: Comment Request

AGENCY: National Science Foundation.

ACTION: Submission for OMB review; comment request.

SUMMARY: The National Science Foundation (NSF) has submitted the following information collection requirement to OMB for review and clearance under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Pub. L. 104-13. This is the second notice for public comment; the first was published in the **Federal Register** at 69 FR 19240, with a correction notice for the title of the program at 69 FR 25145, and no comments were received. NSF is forwarding the proposed renewal submission to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance simultaneously with the publication of this second notice. Comments regarding (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 burden including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; (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 should be addressed to: Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs of OMB, Attention: Desk Officer for National Science Foundation, 725-17th Street, NW,

Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503, and to Suzanne H. Plimpton, Reports Clearance Officer, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Suite 295, Arlington, Virginia 22230 or send e-mail to splimpto@nsf.gov. Comments regarding these information collections are best assured of having their full effect if received within 30 days of this notification. Copies of the submission(s) may be obtained by calling (703) 292-7556.

NSF may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless the collection of information displays a currently valid OMB control number and the agency informs potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information that such persons are not required to respond to the collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: The Evaluation of NDF's Math and Science Partnerships (MSP) Program.

OMB Control Number: 3145-NEW.

1. Abstract

This document has been prepared to support the clearance of data collection instruments to be used in the evaluation of the Math and Science Partnership (MSP) Program. The goals for the program are to (1) ensure that all K-12 students have access to, are prepared for, and are encouraged to participate and succeed in challenging curricula and advanced mathematics and science courses; (2) enhance the quality, quantity, and diversity of the K-12 mathematics and science teacher workforce; and (3) develop evidence-based outcomes that contribute to our understanding of how students effectively learn mathematics and science. The motivational force for realizing these goals is the formation of partnerships between institutions of higher education (IHEs) and K-12 school districts. The role of IHE content faculty is the cornerstone of this intervention. In fact, it is the rigorous involvement of science, mathematics, and engineering faculty—and the expectation that both IHEs and K-12 school systems will be transformed—that distinguishes MSP from other education reform efforts.

The components of the overall MSP portfolio include active projects whose initial awards were made in prior MSP competitions, as well as those to be awarded in the current MSP competition: (1) Comprehensive Partnerships that implement change in mathematics and/or science educational practices in both higher education

institutions and in schools and school districts, resulting in improved student achievement across the K-12 continuum; (2) Targeted Partnerships that focus on improved K-12 student achievement in a narrower grade range or disciplinary focus within mathematics or science; (3) Institute Partnerships: Teacher Institutes for the 21st Century that focus on the development of mathematics and science teachers as school- and district-based intellectual leaders and master teachers; and (4) Research, Evaluation and Technical Assistance (RETA) projects that build and enhance largescale research and evaluation capacity for all MSP awardees and provide them with tools and assistance in the implementation and evaluation of their work.

The MSP online monitoring system, comprised of four web-based surveys, will collect a common core of data about each component of MSP. The web application for MSP will be developed with a modular design that incorporates templates and self-contained code modules for rapid development and ease of modification. A downloadable version will also be available for respondents who prefer a paper version that they can mail or fax to Westat. Information from the system will be used to document the Partnerships' annual progress toward meeting the Key features of MSP projects, such as developing partnerships between IHEs and local school districts, increasing teacher quality, quantity, and diversity, providing challenging courses and curricula, utilizing evidence-based design and outcome measures, and implementing institutional change and sustainability.

2. Expected Respondents

The expected respondents are principal investigators of all projects; STEM and education faculty members and administrators who participated in MSP; school districts and IHEs that are partners in an MSP project.

3. Burden on the Public

During the first year of data collection, Cohort 1 projects will be asked to report baseline data (*i.e.*, for 2001-02) as well as two years of activity data (2002-2004). Cohort 2 will be asked to report for its baseline (2002-03) and one year of activity data (2003-04). The total elements for this first year collection are 45,344 burden hours for a maximum of 2,552 participants, assuming a 100% response rate. The average annual reporting burden is approximately 17.75 hours per respondent. The burden on the public is

negligible because the study is limited to project participants that have received funding from the MSP Program.

Suzanne H. Plimpton,

Reports Clearance Officer, National Science Foundation.

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

National Science Board Committee on Strategy and Budget; Sunshine Act Meeting

DATE AND TIME: July 16, 2004 11:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m. Closed Session.

PLACE: The National Science Foundation, Stafford One Building, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22230.

STATUS: This meeting will be closed to the public.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED: Friday, July 16, 2004.

Closed Session (11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.)

The National Science Board Committee on Strategy and Budget will discuss the NSF FY 2006 budget request.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: John Wilkinson, Executive Secretary, CSB, (703) 292-7000, <http://www.nsf.gov/nsb>.

John Wilkinson,

Executive Secretary, Committee on Strategy and Budget.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. PAPO-00; ASLBP No. 04-829-01-PAPO]

Department of Energy; Establishment of Atomic Safety and Licensing Board

Pursuant to delegation by the Commission dated December 29, 1972, published in the **Federal Register**, 37 FR 28710 (1972), and the Commission's regulations, *see* 10 CFR 2.300, 2.303, 2.318, 2.321, 2.1000, and 2.1010, and the Commission's July 7, 2004, order (CLI-04-20, 60 NRC __ (July 7, 2004)), notice is given that an Atomic Safety and Licensing Board is hereby established to preside over the following proceeding: U.S. Department of Energy, High-Level Waste Repository: Pre-Application Matters.

As specified in the Commission's July 7, 2004 order (CLI-04-20, 60 NRC at __