

information collection. Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection, 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 information collection on respondents. Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval of this information collection; they also will become a matter of public record.

DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before March 9, 2007.

ADDRESSES: Submit comments and recommendations on the proposed information collection in writing to the U.S. Election Assistance Commission, 1225 New York Avenue, NW., Suite 1100, Washington, DC 20005, ATTN: Ms. Laiza N. Otero (or via the Internet at lotero@eac.gov).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request more information on this proposed information collection or to obtain a copy of the survey, please write to the above address or call Ms. Laiza N. Otero at (202) 566-3100. You may also view the proposed collection instrument by visiting our Web site at <http://www.eac.gov>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Study of Alternative Voting Methods.

OMB Number: Pending.

Type of Review: Regular submission.

Needs and Uses: Section 241 of the Help America Vote Act (HAVA) requires the U.S. Election Assistance Commission (EAC) to periodically study election administration issues with the goal of promoting voting methods and improving election administration. Section 241(b)(10) instructs the EAC to study the feasibility and advisability of conducting elections for Federal office on different days, at different places, and during different hours. In addition, it recommends the study include a discussion of the advisability of establishing a uniform poll closing time and establishing:

(A) A legal public holiday under section 6103 of title 5 United States Code, as the date on which general elections for Federal office are held;

(B) The Tuesday after the 1st Monday in November, in every even numbered

year, as a legal public holiday under such section;

(C) A date other than the Tuesday next after the 1st Monday in November, in every even numbered year as the date on which general elections for Federal office are held; and

(D) Any date described in subparagraph (C) as a legal public holiday under such section.

To provide information to the States and the Congress on the feasibility and advisability of using alternative days, times, and places to conduct Federal elections, the EAC seeks to survey voters to better understand their motivations and perceptions of impediments to voting. The survey will provide insights into the public's perceptions of particular aspects of the voting process.

Affected Public: Citizens.

Number of Respondents: 3,000.

Responses per Respondent: 1.

Estimated Burden per Response: .25 hours.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 750 hours.

Frequency: One time collection.

Information will be collected through a statistically valid survey of 3,000 registered voters to determine how they currently respond to alternative voting methods (if in a State that offers them) or would respond to alternative voting methods (if in a State that does not allow them). The survey will be representative of the 50 States, the District of Columbia, and U.S. territories. The topics that will be explored include, but are not limited to:

- a. Voting by mail
- b. Voting at a consolidated polling center
- c. Voting online
- d. Voting earlier/later on Election Day
- e. Voting on weekend day
- f. Voting on day other than first Tuesday in November
- g. Making the day on which Federal elections are held a Federal holiday
- h. No alternative voting method, prefer status quo

The survey will gather data regarding each respondent's background. Background information will include, but is not limited to, (1) Respondents' voter registration history, (2) respondents' voting history, and (3) standard demographic questions covering (age, ethnicity, education, employment status, and income bracket).

Thomas R. Wilkey,

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board, Savannah River Site

AGENCY: Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a meeting of the Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board (EM SSAB), Savannah River Site. The Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770) requires that public notice of this meeting be announced in the **Federal Register**.

DATES: Monday, January 22, 2007, 1 p.m.-5 p.m.; Tuesday, January 23, 2007, 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Crowne Plaza, 130 Shipyard Dr., Hilton Head, SC 29928.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Gerri Flemming, Closure Project Office, Department of Energy Savannah River Operations Office, P.O. Box A, Aiken, SC 29802; Phone: (803) 952-7886.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose of the Board: The purpose of the Board is to make recommendations to DOE in the areas of environmental restoration, waste management, and related activities.

Tentative Agenda

Monday, January 22, 2007

1 p.m. Combined Committee Session
5 p.m. Adjourn

Tuesday, January 23, 2007

8:30 a.m. Approval of Minutes,
Agency Updates
9:45 a.m. Public Comment Session
10 a.m. Chair and Facilitator Update
10:45 a.m. Strategic & Legacy
Management Committee Report
11:45 a.m. Public Comment Session
12 p.m. Lunch Break
1 p.m. Nuclear Materials Committee
Report
1:30 p.m. Waste Management
Committee Report
2 p.m. Public Comment Session
2:15 p.m. Facility Disposition & Site
Remediation Committee Report
3 p.m. Administrative Committee
Report
4 p.m. Adjourn

If needed, time will be allotted after public comments for items added to the agenda and administrative details. A final agenda will be available at the meeting Monday, January 22, 2007.

Public Participation: The meeting is open to the public. Written statements may be filed with the Board either before or after the meeting. Individuals who wish to make oral statements

pertaining to agenda items should contact Gerri Flemming's office at the address or telephone listed above. Requests must be received five days prior to the meeting and reasonable provision will be made to include the presentation in the agenda. The Deputy Designated Federal Officer is empowered to conduct the meeting in a fashion that will facilitate the orderly conduct of business. Individuals wishing to make public comment will be provided a maximum of five minutes to present their comments.

Minutes: The minutes of this meeting will be available for public review and copying at the U.S. Department of Energy's Freedom of Information Public Reading Room, 1E-190, Forrestal Building, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC, 20585 between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. Minutes will also be available by writing to Gerri Flemming, Department of Energy Savannah River Operations Office, P.O. Box A, Aiken, SC 29802, or by calling her at (803) 952-7886.

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Rachel M. Samuel,

Deputy Advisory Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board, Hanford

AGENCY: Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a meeting of the Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board (EM SSAB), Hanford. The Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770) requires that public notice of this meeting be announced in the **Federal Register**.

DATES: Thursday, February 1, 2007, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.; Friday, February 2, 2007, 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Red Lion Hanford House, 802 George Washington Way, Richland, Washington.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Erik Olds, Federal Coordinator, Department of Energy Richland Operations Office, 2440 Stevens Drive, P.O. Box 450, H6-60, Richland, WA 99352; Phone: (509) 376-8656; Fax: (509) 376-1214.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose of the Board: The purpose of the Board is to make recommendations

to DOE in the areas of environmental restoration, waste management, and related activities.

Tentative Agenda

- Columbia River Toxic Program
- Budgets and Contracts Committee advice on Hanford's Request for Proposals
- Public Involvement and Tank Waste Committees update from the workgroup covering the Tank Closure and Waste Management
- Hanford Advisory Board Charter Changes
- Change of Advisory Board Chair
- Advice from the Health, Safety and Environmental Protection Committee on worker compensation
- Advice from the Public Involvement Committee on the 2009 budget involvement process
- Agency Updates
- Committee Updates

Public Participation: The meeting is open to the public. Written statements may be filed with the Board either before or after the meeting. Individuals who wish to make oral statements pertaining to agenda items should contact Erik Olds' office at the address or telephone number listed above. Requests must be received five days prior to the meeting and reasonable provision will be made to include the presentation in the agenda. The Deputy Designated Federal Officer is empowered to conduct the meeting in a fashion that will facilitate the orderly conduct of business. Individuals wishing to make public comment will be provided a maximum of five minutes to present their comments.

Minutes: The minutes of this meeting will be available for public review and copying at the U.S. Department of Energy's Freedom of Information Public Reading Room, 1E-190, Forrestal Building, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20585 between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday-Friday, except Federal holidays. Minutes will also be available by writing to Erik Olds' office at the address or telephone number listed above.

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Rachel M. Samuel,

Deputy Advisory Committee Management Officer.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Coastal Elevations and Sea Level Rise Advisory Committee Meeting

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: Under the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463), EPA gives notice of a public meeting of the Coastal Elevations and Sea Level Rise Advisory Committee (CESLAC).

DATE AND TIME: The meeting will be held on Monday, January 29, 2007, from 1:15 p.m. to 5 p.m. Registration will begin at 12:30 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at 1310 L St., NW., Washington, DC, Rooms 152 and 154.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jack Fitzgerald, Designated Federal Officer, Climate Change Division, Mail Code 6207J, Office of Atmospheric Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20460; e-mail address: Fitzgerald.jack@epa.gov, telephone number (202) 343-9336, fax: (202) 343-2337.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The purpose of CESLAC is to provide advice on the conduct of a study titled *Coastal Elevations and Sensitivity to Sea Level Rise* to be conducted as part of the U.S. Climate Change Science Program (CCSP). This study will give particular attention to the coastal area of the U.S. between the states of New York and North Carolina. A copy of the Committee Charter is available at <http://www.fido.gov/facadatabase/>. This is the first meeting of CESLAC. The agenda will include information, presentations and discussions on the purpose of CESLAC, the purpose of the meeting, the future schedule, public participation, the study, EPA's information quality requirements and procedures. One hour will be allocated for statements by members of the public. Individuals who are interested in making statements should inform Jack Fitzgerald of their interest in advance of the meeting and provide a copy of their statements for the record. Individuals will be scheduled in the order that their statements of intent to present are received. A minimum of three minutes will be provided for each statement. The maximum amount of time will depend on the number of statements to be made. All statements, regardless of whether there is sufficient time to present them orally, will be included in the record