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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Office of the Secretary

#### **Renewal of Department of Defense Federal Advisory Committees—Department of Defense Wage Committee**

**AGENCY:** Department of Defense (DoD).

**ACTION:** Renewal of Federal advisory committee.

**SUMMARY:** The DoD is publishing this notice to announce that it is renewing the DoD Wage Committee ("the DoD Wage Committee").

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jim Freeman, Advisory Committee Management Officer for the DoD, 703-697-1142.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The DoD Wage Committee is being renewed, pursuant to 5 United States Code (U.S.C.) 5343, as implemented by 5 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 532.209 and 532.227, and in accordance with the provisions of 5 U.S.C. chapter 10 (commonly referred to as the "Federal Advisory Committee Act" or "FACA") and 41 CFR chapter 102-3.50(c), as a discretionary advisory committee. The charter and contact information for the DoD Wage Committee's Designated Federal Officer (DFO) are found at <https://www.facadatabase.gov/FACA/apex/FACAPublicAgencyNavigation>.

The DoD Wage Committee's work is directed by 5 CFR 532.209, 532.227, 532.231(e), and 532.243 and the Office of Personnel Management Operating Manual, Federal Wage System, Appropriated and Non-Appropriated Funds, S3-2 Agency Level. The DoD Wage Committee shall: (a) consider and make recommendations to the DoD on any matter involved in developing specifications for a wage survey on which the DoD proposes not to accept the recommendations of a local wage survey committee and any matters on which a minority report has been filed; (b) consider the survey data, upon completion of a wage survey, of the local wage survey committee's report and recommendations, and the statistical analyses and proposed pay

schedules derived from them, as well as any other data or recommendations pertinent to the survey, and recommends wage schedules to the pay-fixing authority; and (c) have a majority of the DoD Wage Committee to constitute a decision and recommendation of the DoD Wage Committee, but a member of the minority may file a report with the DoD Wage Committee's recommendations.

The DoD Wage Committee, pursuant to 5 CFR 532.227(b), shall consist of five members, with the chair and two members designated by the head of the DoD. Of the remaining two members, pursuant to 5 CFR 532.227(b)(1), one member shall be designated by each of the two labor organizations having the largest number of wage employees covered by exclusive recognition in the DoD.

The appointment of DoD Wage Committee members will be approved by the DoD Appointing Authority for a term of service of one-to-four years, with annual renewal, in accordance with DoD policy and procedures. No member, unless approved by the DoD Appointing Authority, may serve more than two consecutive terms of service on the DoD Wage Committee, or serve on more than two DoD Federal advisory committees at one time.

DoD Wage Committee members who are not full-time or permanent part-time Federal civilian officers or employees, or active-duty members of the Uniformed Services, shall be appointed as experts or consultants pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 3109 to serve as special government employee members, except when otherwise provided by law or regulation. DoD Wage Committee members who are full-time or permanent part-time Federal civilian officers or employees, or active-duty members of the Uniformed Services, shall be designated to serve as regular government employee members pursuant to 41 CFR 102-3.130(a). As determined by the DoD Appointing Authority, the individuals designated by each of the two labor organizations having the largest number of wage employees covered by exclusive recognition in the DoD shall be appointed pursuant to 41 CFR 102-3.130(a) to serve as representative members consistent with 5 CFR 532.227(b)(1). Individual members who are appointed to serve as representative members shall represent the views of their designated labor organizations.

All RGE and SGE members of the DoD Wage Committee are appointed to exercise their own best judgment on behalf of the DoD, without representing any particular point of view, and to

discuss and deliberate in a manner that is free from conflict of interest. With the exception of reimbursement of official DoD Wage Committee-related travel and per diem, DoD Wage Committee members serve without compensation.

The public or interested organizations may submit written statements to the DoD Wage Committee about the DoD Wage Committee's mission and functions. Written statements may be submitted at any time or in response to the stated agenda of planned meeting of the DoD Wage Committee. All written statements shall be submitted to the DFO for the DoD Wage Committee, and this individual will ensure that the written statements are provided to the membership for their consideration.

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Office of the Secretary

#### **Charter Renewal of Department of Defense Federal Advisory Committees—Department of Defense Medicare-Eligible Retiree Health Care Board of Actuaries**

**AGENCY:** Department of Defense (DoD).

**ACTION:** Charter renewal of Federal advisory committee.

**SUMMARY:** The DoD is publishing this notice to announce that it is renewing the charter for the DoD Medicare-Eligible Retiree Health Care Board of Actuaries (MERHC BoA).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jim Freeman, DoD Advisory Committee Management Officer at [james.d.freeman4.civ@mail.mil](mailto:james.d.freeman4.civ@mail.mil), 703-697-1142.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The charter for the MERHC BoA is being renewed in accordance with chapter 10 of title 5, United States Code (U.S.C.) (commonly known as the "Federal Advisory Committee Act" or the "FACA") and 41 CFR 102-3.50(a). The charter and contact information for the MERHC BoA's Designated Federal Officer (DFO) are found at <https://www.facadatabase.gov/FACA/apex/FACAPublicAgencyNavigation>.

The MERHC BoA provides independent advice and recommendations on actuarial matters associated with the DoD Medicare-Eligible Retiree Health Care Fund (the Fund) and other related matters.

Pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 1114(b), the MERHC BoA reports annually to the Secretary of Defense and the Deputy Secretary of Defense on the actuarial status of the Fund and shall furnish its advice and opinion on matters referred to it by the Secretary of Defense. Pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 1114(c), the MERHC BoA reviews valuations of the Fund under 10 U.S.C. 1115(c) and reports periodically, not less than once every four years to the President and Congress on the status of the Fund. The MERHC BoA shall include in such reports recommendations for such changes as in the MERHC BoA's judgment are necessary to protect the public interest and maintain the Fund on a sound actuarial basis.

The MERHC BoA, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 1114(a)(1) and (2), shall consist of three members who shall be appointed by the Secretary of Defense from among qualified professional actuaries who are members of the Society of Actuaries. MERHC BoA members will serve for a term of 15-years, except that a MERHC BoA member appointed to fill a vacancy occurring before the end of the term of which the predecessor was appointed shall serve only until the end of such term. A MERHC BoA member may serve after the end of the term until a successor has taken office. Of the members of the Board, one each shall be appointed for terms ending five, ten, and 15 years respectively, after the date of appointment, as designated by the Secretary of Defense at the time of appointment.

MERHC BoA members who are not full-time or permanent part-time Federal civilian officers or employees, or active-duty members of the Uniformed Services, shall be appointed as experts or consultants pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 3109 to serve as special government employee members and are entitled, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 1114(a)(3), to receive pay at the daily equivalent of the annual rate of basic pay of the highest rate of basic pay under the General Schedule of subchapter 53 of title 5 U.S.C., for each day the member is engaged in the performance of duties vested in the MERHC BoA. MERHC BoA members who are full-time or permanent part-time Federal civilian officers or employees, or members of the uniformed Services, shall be appointed pursuant to 41 CFR 102–3.130(a) to serve as regular government employee members.

Each MERHC BoA member is appointed to exercise their own judgment on behalf of the DoD, without representing any particular point of view, and to discuss and deliberate in

a manner that is free from conflict of interest.

The public or interested organizations may submit written statements to the MERHC BoA membership about its mission and functions. Written statements may be submitted at any time or in response to the stated agenda of planned meeting of the MERHC BoA. All written statements shall be submitted to the DFO for the MERHC BoA, and this individual will ensure that the written statements are provided to the membership for their consideration.

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Department of the Navy

#### **Notice of Public Meetings for Hawaii-California Training and Testing Environmental Impact Statement/Overseas Environmental Impact Statement (ID# EISX–007–17–USN–1724283453)**

**AGENCY:** Department of the Navy (DoN), Department of Defense (DoD).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), Council on Environmental Quality implementing regulations, and Presidential Executive Order 12114, the DoN (including both the United States [U.S.] Navy and the U.S. Marine Corps [USMC]), as the lead agency, jointly with the U.S. Coast Guard, U.S. Army, and U.S. Air Force, has prepared and filed with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency a Draft Environmental Impact Statement/Overseas Environmental Impact Statement (EIS/OEIS) for Hawaii-California Training and Testing (HCTT) activities. The Draft EIS/OEIS includes an analysis of the potential environmental effects associated with conducting at-sea training and testing activities, and modernization and sustainment of ranges (collectively referred to as “military readiness activities”) within the HCTT Study Area.

**DATES:** The 60-day public comment period begins December 13, 2024, and ends February 11, 2025. The comment period includes an additional 15 calendar days (from the required 45 days) to allow the public more time to

review and comment during the holiday season. In support of NEPA requirements, in-person public meetings in California and Hawaii and a virtual public meeting will be held in January 2025 to provide an overview of the Draft EIS/OEIS and answer questions from the public. Each meeting will also provide an opportunity to learn about how the military services are complying with the Section 106 process of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) and to comment on potential effects on historic properties. The public can submit comments during the Draft EIS/OEIS public review and comment period at one of the in-person public meetings, electronically via the project website ([www.nepa.navy.mil/hctteis/](http://www.nepa.navy.mil/hctteis/)), or via U.S. postal mail. Public comments on the Draft EIS/OEIS must be postmarked or received online by 11:59 p.m. Hawaii standard time (HST) Tuesday, February 11, 2025, for consideration in the Final EIS/OEIS.

Three in-person public meetings will be held as follows:

1. January 13, 2025, from 4 to 7 p.m.

Pacific standard time (PST) at Portuguese Hall, 2818 Avenida de Portugal, San Diego, CA;

2. January 15, 2025, from 4 to 7 p.m.

HST at Ke'ehi Lagoon Memorial, Weinberg Hall, 2685 N Nimitz Highway, Honolulu, HI;

3. January 16, 2025, from 4 to 7 p.m.

HST at Kauai Veterans Center, 3215 Kauai Veterans Memorial Highway, Lihue, HI.

One virtual public meeting will be held on January 22, 2025, from 3 to 4 p.m. HST/5 to 6 p.m. PST/8 to 9 p.m. Eastern Standard Time (EST).

**ADDRESSES:** Comments on the Draft EIS/OEIS may be provided at the in-person public meetings, electronically through the project website at:

[www.nepa.navy.mil/hctteis/](http://www.nepa.navy.mil/hctteis/), or by U.S. postal mail to: Naval Facilities Engineering Systems Command Pacific; Attention: HCTT EIS/OEIS Project Manager; 258 Makalapa Drive, Suite 100, Pearl Harbor, HI 96860–3134.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** U.S. Pacific Fleet Command, Attention: Ms. Heather Paynter, Environmental Public Affairs Specialist, 808–474–8441, [CPF-Environmental-PA@us.navy.mil](mailto:CPF-Environmental-PA@us.navy.mil), or visit the project website: [www.nepa.navy.mil/hctteis/](http://www.nepa.navy.mil/hctteis/).

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

Commander, U.S. Pacific Fleet is the DoN's lead action proponent. Additional DoN action proponents include Naval Sea Systems Command, Naval Air Systems Command, Naval Information Warfare Systems Command, Office of Naval Research, Naval