

(P.L. 92-463), announcement is made of the following Committee Meeting:

Name of Committee: Army Science Board (ASB).

Date(s) of Meeting: 28-31 October 2002.

Time(s) of Meeting: 0900-1700, 28 October 2002, 0900-1200, 31 October 2002.

Place: Carlisle Barracks, Pennsylvania.

1. The Army Science Board is holding a General Membership Meeting on 28-31 October 2002. The meeting will be held at the U.S. Army War College, Carlisle Barracks, Pennsylvania. The meeting will begin at 0900hrs on the 28th and will end at approximately 1200hrs on the 31st. For further information, please contact Major Robert Grier—703-604-7478 or email: robert.grier@saalt.army.mil.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Navy

Public Meeting on the Draft Environmental Impact Statement for Basing the Advanced Amphibious Assault Vehicle at Marine Corps Base Camp Pendleton, CA

AGENCY: Department of the Navy, DOD.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act as implemented by the Council on Environmental Quality Regulations (40 CFR parts 1500-1508), the Department of the Navy has prepared a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) for basing the advanced amphibious assault vehicle at Marine Corps Base (MCB) Camp Pendleton, CA. Two public meetings will be held in order to collect public comments. These meetings are for interested persons to ask questions and provide comments on the DEIS. Each meeting will be conducted in an open house format and participants may attend some or all of the meeting(s).

DATES AND ADDRESSES: The first public meeting will be held on Monday, November 18, 2002, from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. in the City of San Clemente Auditorium, 100 N. Calle Seville, San Clemente, CA. The second public meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 20, 2002, from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. in the City of Oceanside Community Room, 330 North Coast Highway, Oceanside, CA. All written comments regarding the DEIS should be received by December 3, 2002, and directed to Commander, Southwest Division, Naval Facilities Engineering Command, Code 5CPR.15 (Attn: Ms.

Lisa Seneca), 937 North Harbor Drive, San Diego, CA 92132.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Lisa Seneca, telephone (619) 532-4744, fax (619) 532-4160.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The U.S. Marine Corps is developing the advanced amphibious assault vehicle (AAAV) to replace the amphibious assault vehicle (AAV) as its primary combat vehicle for transporting troops on land, at sea, and from ship to shore. The AAAV is designed to satisfy many operational requirements to provide increased capabilities compared to the AAV and seamlessly link maneuver on ships and maneuver ashore.

The DEIS analyzes the potential environmental impacts associated with the proposed action, which involves the replacement of the AAV with the AAAV at MCB Camp Pendleton, the demolition, construction and modification of facilities at MCB Camp Pendleton to support the AAAV, and conducting AAAV training exercises at San Clemente Island.

The DEIS has been distributed to various Federal, state and local agencies, elected officials, special interest groups and individuals. The DEIS is available for public review at the following libraries:

- Carlsbad City Library, 1250 Carlsbad Village Dr, Carlsbad, CA.
- La Costa Branch Library, 6949 El Camino Real, Suite 200, Carlsbad, CA.
- Del Mar Branch Library, 1309 Camino Del Mar, Del Mar, CA.
- Imperial Beach Branch Library, 819 Imperial Beach Blvd, Imperial Beach, CA.
- Oceanside Public Library, 330 North Coast Highway, Oceanside, CA.
- Ocean Beach Branch Library, 4801 Santa Monica Ave, San Diego, CA.
- East San Diego Branch Library, 4089 Fairmount Ave, San Diego, CA.
- San Diego Central Library, 820 East St, San Diego, CA.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Navy

Notice of Availability of Government-Owned Inventions; Available for Licensing

AGENCY: Department of the Navy, DOD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The inventions listed below are assigned to the United States Government as represented by the Secretary of the Navy and are available for licensing by the Department of the Navy.

The following patents are available for licensing:

U.S. Patent Number 6,338,456:

LANDING IMPACT ABSORBING DEPLOYMENT SYSTEM FOR AIRCRAFT WITH DAMAGED LANDING GEAR. ABSTRACT: Inflation of impact absorbing bags is effected in time delayed relation to selective jettisoning of damaged landing gear on a helicopter prior to landing for replacement of the landing gear by the bags, without puncture thereof by the landing gear being jettisoned. U.S. Patent Number 6,371,410: **EMERGENCY LANDING IMPACT ABSORBING SYSTEM FOR AIRCRAFT.** ABSTRACT: Inflation of impact absorbing bags is effected on a portable platform positioned on an emergency landing zone after jettisoning of damaged landing gear from a helicopter fuselage. The impact absorbing bags when inflated form a cradle shape conforming to the bottom of the helicopter fuselage. U.S. Patent Number 6,386,830: **QUIET AND EFFICIENT HIGH-PRESSURE FAN ASSEMBLY.** ABSTRACT: A high-

pressure vane-axial fan assembly is provided. A rotor assembly has a plurality of rotor blades disposed circumferentially around and extending radially outward from a hub. Each rotor blade has an airfoil cross-section and is constructed to define a straight-ruled leading edge that extends outward from the hub. The rotor blade is rotated along its span relative to the straight-ruled leading edge. The plurality of rotor blades defines a solidity of greater than 1. A stator assembly has a plurality of stator vanes disposed circumferentially around and extending radially from the frame. There are a lesser number of stator vanes than rotor blades. The stator assembly is positioned adjacent the rotor assembly such that an axial gap is defined between the trailing edge of the stator vanes. The axial gap increases with radial distance from the hub as defined by the shape of the trailing edge of the rotor blades and the shape of the leading edge of the stator vanes. The axial gap is a minimum of the rotor blade's axial chord length along a central portion thereof. U.S. Patent Number 6,382,912: **CENTRIFUGAL COMPRESSOR WITH VANELESS DIFFUSER.** ABSTRACT: A centrifugal compressor or pump has a vaneless diffuser within which a radially extending passage is formed between a fixed plate surface and a profile