

lions with regard to this new information. After conversations with NMFS concerning this determination, the ACOE initiated formal consultation for the Steller sea lion on November 30, 2005, for carrying out the rehabilitation of the South Jetty at the MCR. On September 27, 2006, NMFS NWRO issued a BO based on the reinitiation of an ESA section 7 consultation on Steller sea lions. In this BO, NMFS concluded that the proposed action is not likely to jeopardize the continued existence of the Eastern U.S. stock of Steller sea lion. The BO also concurred that no Steller sea lion critical habitat exists within the proposed action area.

Preliminary Determinations

For the reasons discussed in this document and in previously identified supporting documents, NMFS has preliminarily determined that the impact of jetty repair construction at the MCR South Jetty should result, at worst, in the Level B harassment of small numbers of Steller sea lions, California sea lions, and Pacific harbor seals that haul-out in the vicinity of the proposed project area. While behavioral modifications, including temporarily vacating the area around the construction site, may be made by these species to avoid the resultant visual and acoustic disturbance, the availability of alternate areas within MCR and haul-out sites has led NMFS to preliminarily determine that this action will have a negligible impact on Steller sea lion, California sea lion, and Pacific harbor seal populations in the area.

In addition, no take by Level A harassment (injury) or death is anticipated and harassment takes should be at the lowest level practicable due to incorporation of the mitigation measures mentioned previously in this document.

Proposed Authorization

NMFS proposes to issue an IHA to ACOE for the potential harassment of small numbers of Steller sea lions, California sea lions, and harbor seals incidental to repair construction of at the MCR South Jetty in Clatsop County, Oregon, provided the previously mentioned mitigation, monitoring, and reporting requirements are incorporated. NMFS has preliminarily determined that the proposed activity would result in the harassment of only small numbers of Steller sea lions, California sea lions, and harbor seals, and will have no more than a negligible impact on these marine mammal species and/or stocks.

Information Solicited

NMFS requests interested persons to submit comments, information, and suggestions concerning this request (see ADDRESSES).

Dated: December 27, 2006.

P. Michael Payne,

Acting Deputy Director, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Renewal of Department of Defense Federal Advisory Committees

AGENCY: DoD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Under the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972, as amended (5 U.S.C. Appendix), the Department of Defense gives notice that the Threat Reduction Advisory Committee, intends to modify the existing charter to include the use of subcommittees. This committee and its subcommittees provide necessary and valuable independent advice to the Secretary of Defense and other senior Defense officials in their respective areas of expertise.

It is a continuing DoD policy to make every effort to achieve a balanced membership on all DoD advisory committees. Each committee is evaluated in terms of the functional disciplines, levels of experience, professional diversity, public and private association, and similar characteristics required to ensure a high degree of balance is obtained.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Frank Wilson, DoD Committee Management Officer, 703-601-2554.

Dated: December 22, 2006.

L.M. Bynum,

Alternate OSD Federal Register, Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Navy

Information on Surplus Land at a Military Installation Designated for Disposal: Naval Air Station, Brunswick, ME—Topsham Annex

AGENCY: Department of the Navy, DoD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice provides information on the surplus property at Naval Air Station (NAS), Brunswick, ME—Topsham Annex.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Kimberly Kesler, Director, Base Realignment and Closure Program Management Office, 1455 Frazee Road, San Diego, CA 92108-4310, telephone 619-532-0993, or Mr. David Drozd, Director, Base Realignment and Closure Program Management Office, Northeast, 4911 South Broad Street, Philadelphia, PA 19112-1303, telephone 215-897-4909.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In 2005, NAS, Brunswick, ME, was designated for closure under the authority of the Defense Base Closure and Realignment Act of 1990, Public Law 101-510, as amended (the Act). Pursuant to this designation, on January 23, 2006, land and facilities at this installation were declared excess to the Department of Navy (DON) and available to other Department of Defense components and other federal agencies. The DON has evaluated all timely Federal requests and has made a decision on property required by the Federal Government.

Notice of Surplus Property. Pursuant to paragraph (7)(B) of Section 2905(b) of the Act, as amended by the Base Closure Community Redevelopment and Homeless Assistance Act of 1994, the following information regarding the redevelopment authority for surplus property at NAS, Brunswick, ME—Topsham Annex is published in the **Federal Register**.

Redevelopment Authority. The local redevelopment authority for NAS, Brunswick, ME—Topsham Annex is the Topsham Local Redevelopment Authority. The point of contact is Mr. Gary Brown, Town Manager, Town of Topsham, 22 Elm Street, Topsham, ME 04086, telephone 207-725-5821.

Surplus Property Description. The following is a list of the land and facilities at NAS, Brunswick—Topsham Annex that are surplus to the needs of the Federal Government.

a. **Land.** NAS, Brunswick, ME—Topsham Annex consists of approximately 74 acres of improved and unimproved fee simple land located within Sagadahoc County and the City of Topsham; however, approximately 44 acres of this land is improved with 177 units of housing formerly known as “Capehart Housing” and a maintenance building, which are currently outleased to Northeast Housing LLC. Lease expires October 31, 2054. In general, the area will be available when the installation closes in September 2011.