

organizations may submit written statements to the Ocean Research Advisory Panel's membership about the Panel's mission and functions. Written statements may be submitted at any time or in response to the stated agenda of planned meeting of the Ocean Research Advisory Panel.

All written statements shall be submitted to the Designated Federal Officer for the Ocean Research Advisory Panel, and this individual will ensure that the written statements are provided to the membership for their consideration. Contact information for the Ocean Research Advisory Panel Designated Federal Officer can be obtained from the GSA's FACA Database—<https://www.fido.gov/facadatabase/public.asp>.

The Designated Federal Officer, pursuant to 41 CFR 102–3.150, will announce planned meetings of the Ocean Research Advisory Panel. The Designated Federal Officer, at that time, may provide additional guidance on the submission of written statements that are in response to the stated agenda for the planned meeting in question.

Dated: February 23, 2010.

**Mitchell S. Bryman,**

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

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Department of the Army, Corps of Engineers

#### Intent To Prepare a Draft Environmental Impact Statement for the Everglades Restoration Transition Plan—Phase 1

**AGENCY:** Department of the Army, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, DOD.

**ACTION:** Notice of intent.

**SUMMARY:** The Jacksonville District, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers intends to prepare a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Everglades Restoration Transition Plan (ERTP)—Phase 1. The ERTTP will supersede the 2006 IOP for the Cape Sable Seaside Sparrow which currently regulates operations for Central & South Florida (C&SF) project features in the south Dade area. The ERTTP Phase 1 aims to implement operational flexibilities based on multi-species management. This project is “phase 1” in anticipation of subsequent operational modifications that will be needed to move towards Everglades restoration. Development of the plan will include evaluation of

relevant new species information and hydrological data. The ERTTP Draft EIS will evaluate the anticipated affects of implementation of operations to support the recommendations of the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) Biological Opinion.

**ADDRESSES:** U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Planning Division, Environmental Branch, P.O. Box 4970, Jacksonville, FL, 32232–0019.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mrs. Susan Conner at 904–232–1782 or e-mail at [Susan.I.Conner@usace.army.mil](mailto:Susan.I.Conner@usace.army.mil).

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

a. *Background*—In 1999, the FWS issued a Final Biological Opinion for the Modified Water Deliveries to Everglades National Park Project (MWD Project), the C–111 Project, and the Experimental Water Deliveries to Everglades National Park Project. FWS concluded that the operations, if continued, would likely jeopardize the continued existence of the endangered Cape Sable seaside sparrow and adversely modify its critical habitat. In response, the Corps implemented an Interim Structural and Operational Plan (ISOP) in March 2000, followed by the Interim Operating Plan (IOP) in July 2002. These operations were designed to protect the sparrow pending completion of construction of the MWD Project and the C–111 Project. Because of the urgency to implement IOP in time for the next sparrow breeding season, the IOP Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) was completed prior to conclusion of modeling that supported the selected plan. Pursuant to a March 2006 order by the United States District Court for the Southern District of Florida, the Corps prepared a supplement to the IOP FEIS. The Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (SEIS), which was completed in December 2006, updated the IOP FEIS with modeling for the selected alternative and actual data collected since the May 2002 FEIS. The IOP was intended to be continued until the completion of the MWD project. However, Modified Water Deliveries project has not been fully completed, the IOP Biological Opinion will expire in November 2010, and new scientific information pertaining to listed wildlife species has become available.

b. *Scoping*—A scoping letter was sent to invite comments on ERTTP—Phase I from Federal, State, and local agencies, affected Indian Tribes, and other interested private organizations and individuals. The scoping letter was sent out in December 2009. That scoping period closed on February 1, 2010. Based on those comments and team

analysis to date, USACE has determined that an EIS is appropriate. Subsequently, scoping comments will be accepted for 30 days past the date of this NOI.

c. *Coordination and Public Involvement:* The Corps will serve as the lead Federal agency in the preparation of the Draft EIS. The Corps is in close coordination with the FWS. The Corps intends to coordinate and/or consult with an interagency team of Federal, State and Local agencies as well as affected Indian Tribes during scoping and preparation of the Draft EIS.

d. *Other Environmental Review and Consultation:* The proposed action would involve evaluation for compliance with the Endangered Species act. The USACE will be submitting a Biological Assessment to the FWS and the FWS will prepare a Biological Opinion. All other applicable Environmental regulations will be complied with and reviews will be completed.

e. *Draft EIS Preparation:* The Draft EIS is expected to be published in June 2010.

Dated: February 17, 2010.

**Eric Summa,**

*Chief, Environmental Branch.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Department of the Navy

#### Notice of Cancellation of Open Meeting of the Chief of Naval Operations (CNO) Executive Panel

**AGENCY:** Department of the Navy, DoD.

**ACTION:** Notice of cancellation.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of the Navy published a document in the **Federal Register** (75 FR 7453) of February 19, 2010, announcing The CNO Executive Panel was scheduled to meet on March 11, 2010, to deliberate on the findings and proposed recommendations of the Subcommittee on Improved Concept Generation Development. The meeting has been canceled.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The canceled meeting was scheduled to be held on March 11, 2010, at 9 a.m. in the Boardroom, CNA, 4825 Mark Center Drive, Alexandria, VA 22311–1846. The matters to be discussed included: Navy's concept generation and concept development processes and procedures.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ms. Bree A. Hartlage, CNO Executive Panel, 4825 Mark Center Drive, Alexandria, VA 22311–1846, 703–681–4907.

Dated: February 23, 2010.

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**DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

**Notice of Proposed Information Collection Requests**

**AGENCY:** Department of Education.

**SUMMARY:** The Acting Director, Information Collection Clearance Division, Regulatory Information Management Services, Office of Management, invites comments on the proposed information collection requests as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

**DATES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before April 30, 2010.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35) requires that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) provide interested Federal agencies and the public an early opportunity to comment on information collection requests. OMB may amend or waive the requirement for public consultation to the extent that public participation in the approval process would defeat the purpose of the information collection, violate State or Federal law, or substantially interfere with any agency's ability to perform its statutory obligations. The Acting Director, Information Collection Clearance Division, Regulatory Information Management Services, Office of Management, publishes that notice containing proposed information collection requests prior to submission of these requests to OMB. Each proposed information collection, grouped by office, contains the following: (1) Type of review requested, e.g., new, revision, extension, existing or reinstatement; (2) Title; (3) Summary of the collection; (4) Description of the need for, and proposed use of, the information; (5) Respondents and frequency of collection; and (6) Reporting and/or Recordkeeping burden. OMB invites public comment.

The Department of Education is especially interested in public comment addressing the following issues: (1) Is this collection necessary to the proper functions of the Department; (2) will this information be processed and used in a timely manner; (3) is the estimate of burden accurate; (4) how might the

Department enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (5) how might the Department minimize the burden of this collection on the respondents, including through the use of information technology.

Dated: February 24, 2010.

**Sheila Carey,**

*Acting Director, Information Collection Clearance Division, Regulatory Information Management Services, Office of Management.*

**Institute of Education Sciences**

*Type of Review:* Extension.

*Title:* Impact Study: Lessons in Character Program.

*Frequency:* One time.

*Affected Public:* Individuals or households; State, Local, or Tribal Gov't, SEAs or LEAs.

*Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:*

Responses: 34,906.

Burden Hours: 15,460.

*Abstract:* This OMB package requests clearance for data collection instruments to be used in a four-year evaluation of Lessons in Character (LIC) program. This study is based on an experimental design that utilizes the random assignment. LIC is an English Language Arts (ELA)-based character education curriculum that is expected to have positive impacts on student academic performance, attendance, school motivation, and endorsement of universal values consistent with character education. The evaluation will be conducted by REL West, one of the National Regional Education Laboratories administered by the Institute of Education Sciences of the U.S. Department of Education. Evaluation measures include student archived data (e.g., state mandated standardized test scores); follow-up surveys for students; teacher and parent rating/observation on various student aspects (e.g., student social skills); baseline and follow-up surveys for teachers; and teacher/administrator interviews. Baseline data collection will take place in 2007; follow-up data collection will take place in 2008, 2009, and 2010.

Requests for copies of the proposed information collection request may be accessed from <http://edicsweb.ed.gov>, by selecting the "Browse Pending Collections" link and by clicking on link number 4220. When you access the information collection, click on "Download Attachments" to view. Written requests for information should be addressed to U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., LBJ, Washington, DC 20202-4537.

Requests may also be electronically mailed to [ICDocketMgr@ed.gov](mailto:ICDocketMgr@ed.gov) or faxed to 202-401-0920. Please specify the complete title of the information collection when making your request.

Comments regarding burden and/or the collection activity requirements should be electronically mailed to [ICDocketMgr@ed.gov](mailto:ICDocketMgr@ed.gov). Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339.

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**DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

**Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services; Overview Information; Assistive Technology Act of 1998, as Amended—National Activities—National Assistive Technology Public Internet Site; Notice Inviting Applications for New Awards for Fiscal Year (FY) 2010**

Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) Number: 84.224B-2.

*Dates:*

*Applications Available:* March 1, 2010.

*Deadline for Transmittal of Applications:* April 30, 2010.

**Full Text of Announcement**

**I. Funding Opportunity Description**

*Purpose of Program:* Under section 6 of the Assistive Technology Act of 1998, as amended (AT Act), the Secretary is authorized to provide grants to support national activities to improve the administration of the AT Act. The purpose of this program is to fulfill the requirement to support a national assistive technology public Internet site to improve awareness of and access to assistive technology (AT).

*Priority:* In accordance with 34 CFR 75.105(b)(2)(iv), this priority is from section 6(b)(4) of the AT Act (29 U.S.C. 3001, *et seq.*).

*Absolute Priority:* For FY 2010, this priority is an absolute priority. Under 34 CFR 75.105(c)(3) we consider only applications that meet this priority.

This priority is:

*National Assistive Technology Public Internet Site.*

Under this priority, the Department will support an eligible entity to renovate, update, and maintain the National Assistive Technology Public Internet Site (National AT Internet Site) in accordance with section 6(b)(4) of the AT Act. The National AT Internet Site provides to the public comprehensive, up-to-date information on resources