

Committee, Monitoring, Modeling and Research Committee, and Gulf Mapping and Assessment Center.
3:00 p.m.—Meeting Adjourns.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL–6971–4]

Science Advisory Board; Notification of Public Workshop

Notice is hereby given that the US EPA along with the US EPA Science Advisory Board (SAB), will jointly host a public Workshop on Understanding Public Values and Attitudes Related to Ecological Risk Management. The Workshop is open to the public, however, seating is limited and available on a registration basis. In most instances, SAB meetings are subject to the Federal Advisory Committee Act which includes opportunities for public comment. However, since this meeting meets the requirements of 41 CFR 101–6.1004, the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Public Law 92–463) do not apply. Therefore, we are not soliciting public comments during this non-FACA Workshop.

Time and Location—The Workshop will be held on May 23–24, 2001 at the Academy for Educational Development, 1825 Connecticut Avenue, NW., Washington, DC, Telephone 202–884–8000. Registration is from 8:30–9:00 am on May 23. The Workshop will begin at 9:00 am each day, ending at 5:00 pm on May 23 and no later than 12:15 pm on May 24.

Purpose of the Workshop—To demonstrate how researchers using different kinds of analytical methods, tools and approaches from the social sciences can mutually inform each other and risk managers in understanding: (a) public values and attitudes related to specific threats to ecological resources, such as a specific water body threatened with nitrogen deposition and (b) the significance of those values.

The Workshop will focus on a particular waterbody, Tampa Bay Estuary, and will provide an opportunity for four researchers in the social sciences to address the following questions in terms that are relevant to and readily comprehensible to Agency management:

Given that the state of knowledge about ecological and human health effects of nitrogen deposition are fairly well known in the Tampa Bay Estuary, (a) Why do people care about protecting waterbodies against current problems

and preventing further nitrogen deposition? and (b) How can EPA move beyond current economic considerations, per se, to identify and evaluate/measure why and how much people care about protecting the resource?

Workshop Agenda—A written agenda is available on the SAB website (see below). The first day of Workshop will include an introduction followed by four presentations of Research Plans commissioned on the issue. These proposals would demonstrate how different social science approaches (in the disciplines of anthropology, decision sciences, economics, and social psychology) could help decision makers at EPA and outside understand values, attitudes and decision factors related to protection of Tampa Bay against nitrogen deposition. There would be a short time following each presentation for a facilitated discussion.

The morning of the second day will feature a panel of managers who will discuss their reactions to the expert presentations. They would focus on the potential usefulness of the research proposals presented, whether and how they add value to information currently available to decision makers for making decisions, communicating decisions, and justifying decisions about ecological risk management.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To register for the Workshop, please send the following information via email to: Brian Heninger at heninger.brian@epa.gov by May 15: name; affiliation; address; phone; fax; e-mail address; occupation; area of expertise; and what aspects of this Workshop interest you the most.

Any member of the public wishing further information concerning this Workshop should consult the website for this Workshop at <http://www.epa.gov/sab/presentation-1/index.htm>. Questions concerning this Workshop can be directed to Dr. Angela Nugent, Special Assistant, EPA Science Advisory Board, (202) 564–4562 or nugent.angela@epa.gov.

Dated: April 18, 2001.

Donald G. Barnes,

Staff Director, Science Advisory Board.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL–6970–7]

Regulatory Reinvention (XL) Pilot Projects

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of availability of the City of Columbus Project XL for Communities final project agreement and related documents.

SUMMARY: EPA is announcing the signing of the Project XL for Communities (XLC) Final Project Agreement (FPA) for the City of Columbus, Ohio.

DATES: The FPA was signed on September 26, 2000.

ADDRESSES: To obtain a copy of the Final Project Agreement, Fact Sheet, or public comments received, contact: Miguel Del Toral, 312–886–5253, US EPA Region 5, Water Division, WD–15J, 77 West Jackson Blvd, Chicago, Illinois 60604–3507 (deltoral.miguel@epa.gov) or Kristina Heinemann, US EPA, Office of Environmental Policy Innovation, 1807, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460 (heinemann.kristina@epa.gov). The documents are also available via the internet at the following location: <http://www.epa.gov/ProjectXL/Columbus/index.htm>. In addition, public files on the project are located at the EPA Regional Office in Chicago. Questions to EPA regarding the documents can be directed to Miguel Del Toral at (312) 886–5253 or Kristina Heinemann at (202) 260–5355. Additional information on Project XL, and Project XL for Communities including documents referenced in this notice, other EPA policy documents related to Project XL, Regional and Headquarters contacts, application information and descriptions of existing XL projects and proposals are available via the Internet at <http://www.epa.gov/ProjectXL>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Final Project Agreement is a voluntary agreement developed by the City of Columbus (the project sponsor), the State of Ohio (the Ohio Department of Health and the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency), project stakeholders, and US EPA. Project XL and Project XLC, announced in the **Federal Register** on May 23, 1995 (60 FR 27282) and November 1, 1995 (60 FR 55569) respectively give regulated sources the opportunity to develop alternative strategies that will replace or modify specific regulatory requirements on the condition that they produce

greater environmental benefits. The legal implementing mechanism to be used in this project is described in the project's FPA.

On July 27, 2000, EPA announced the availability of the draft FPA in the **Federal Register** (65 FR 46166) and requested comments. As a result of that announcement, EPA received one comment from the National Rural Water Association. The comment and EPA's response to it are available from the contacts listed in the **ADDRESSES** section and on the Project XL website at <http://www.epa.gov/ProjectXL/Columbus/index.htm>. No other comments were received.

The City of Columbus XLC project will test a potentially more effective means of addressing health concerns from lead through the Lead Safe Columbus Program (LSCP), a program run by the Columbus Departments of Health and Trade and Development, and through closer coordination between the City, the State of Ohio and US EPA on drinking water treatment issues. Through this XLC Project, the US EPA will suspend the Lead Service Line sampling and replacement provisions of the Lead and Copper Rule promulgated under the Safe Drinking Water Act (see 40 CFR 141.84) for up to three years beginning if and when the City exceeds the Lead Action Level, provided this occurs within six years of making a drinking water treatment change. In exchange for this regulatory flexibility, the Columbus Division of Water has committed to contributing \$300,000 a year for 15 years to the LSCP. The LSCP provides free blood testing, public education, medical intervention for lead-poisoned children, and grants and loans for lead abatement to residents of Columbus in high-risk areas. The LSCP targets an area consisting of twenty-five high-risk census tracts within ten zip codes in older, predominantly low-income, minority neighborhoods in Columbus, where 84% of all elevated blood lead levels in the City were found.

Dated: April 19, 2001.

Elizabeth A. Shaw,

Director, Office of Environmental Policy Innovation.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[OPP-00701; FRL-6769-4]

Pesticides; Draft Guidance for Pesticide Registrants on Pesticide Label Identification for Pesticide Products Meeting the Requirements of the National Organic Program

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: The Agency is announcing the availability of, and seeking public comment on, a draft Pesticide Registration Notice (PR-Notice) entitled "Pesticide Label Identification for Pesticide Products Meeting the Requirements of the National Organic Program." PR-Notices are issued by the Office of Pesticide Programs (OPP) to inform pesticide registrants and other interested persons about important policies, procedures and registration related decisions, and serve to provide guidance to pesticide registrants and OPP personnel. This particular draft PR-Notice describes how pesticide registrants can obtain EPA acceptance of label language indicating that all ingredients (active and inert) in a pesticide product and all uses of that pesticide meet the criteria defined in the United States Department of Agriculture's (USDA) National Organic Program (NOP) Rule. The information on the pesticide label will assist organic growers and those persons certifying organic production methods in knowing which pesticide products meet the requirements of the NOP Rule for use in organic agriculture. Label language on a pesticide product is not required, however, for an organic producer to utilize a pesticide product which meets the requirements of the NOP Rule. With this Notice of Availability, EPA is providing pesticide registrants and other interested parties with an opportunity to review and comment on this draft guidance.

DATES: Comments, identified by docket control number OPP-00701, must be received on or before June 26, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be submitted by mail, electronically, or in person. Please follow the detailed instructions for each method as provided in Unit I.C. of the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**. To ensure proper receipt by EPA, it is imperative that you identify docket control number OPP-00701 in the subject line on the first page of your response.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Robert Torla (7511C), Environmental

Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460; telephone number: (703) 308-8098; fax number: (703) 308-7026; e-mail address: torla.robert@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. General Information

A. Does this Action Apply to Me?

This action is directed to the public in general. Although this action may be of particular interest to those persons who intend to market pesticide products to farmers producing organic crops, to farmers using organic methods, and home gardeners who wish to use organic methods. Since other entities may also be interested, the Agency has not attempted to describe all the specific entities that may be affected by this action. If you have any questions regarding the information in this notice, consult the person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

B. How Can I Get Additional Information, Including Copies of this Document and Other Related Documents?

1. *Electronically.* You may obtain electronic copies of this document and the PR Notice from the Office of Pesticide Programs' Home Page at <http://www.epa.gov/pesticides/>. You can also go directly to the listings from the EPA Internet Home Page at <http://www.epa.gov>. To access this document, on the Home Page select "Laws and Regulations," "Regulations and Proposed Rules," and then look up the entry for this document under the "Federal Register—Environmental Documents." You can also go directly to the **Federal Register** listings at <http://www.epa.gov/fedrgstr/>.

2. *Fax-on-demand.* You may request a faxed copy of the draft Pesticide Registration (PR) Notice entitled "Guidance for Pesticide Registrants on Pesticide Label Identification for Pesticide Products Meeting the Requirements of the National Organic Program," by using a faxphone to call (202) 401-0527 and selecting item 6137. You may also follow the automated menu.

3. *In person.* The Agency has established an official record for this action under docket control number OPP-00701. The official record consists of the documents specifically referenced in this action, any public comments received during an applicable comment period, and other information related to this action, including any information claimed as confidential business information (CBI). This official record includes the documents that are