

2.0 Other Involved Agencies

The SAMP will be developed in close coordination with other agencies, including the US Fish and Wildlife Service, California Department of Fish and Game, and US Environmental Protection Agency, National Marine Fisheries Service, Regional Water Quality Control Board, and California Coastal Commission, as necessary. To the extent feasible the SAMP may address water quality issues on a programmatic basis.

The California Department of Fish and Game (Department) will participate in the SAMP process by formulating a Master Streambed Alteration Agreement under section 1600 of the Fish and Game Code for development in the study area that affects drainages subject to the Department's jurisdiction.

The document will be a joint state and federal document. The California Department of Fish and Game will prepare an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act for the actions described in the SAMP. A separate Notice of Preparation will be prepared and published by the Department. The Corps and the Department will work cooperatively to prepare a joint EIS/EIR document, and to coordinate the public noticing and hearing processes under state and federal laws.

3.0 EIS Alternatives

The Corps of Engineers has identified the following alternatives to be addressed in the EIS. Other alternatives or variations of alternatives may be studied based on input during public scoping and the results of the EIS studies.

1. No Project Alternative—No land development and no SAMP directly impacting "waters of the United States". Current land uses, including agriculture operations and resource extraction on Rancho Mission Viejo, would continue indefinitely.

2. No SAMP Alternative—Land development according to existing or future zoning without a SAMP and programmatic 404 permit. Under this alternative, development would proceed in accordance with existing agricultural zoning or future zoning. Projects subject to the requirements of section 404 of the Clean Water Act and Section 1600 of the Fish and Game Code would be permitted on an individual basis. No comprehensive and coordinated approach to aquatic resource protection would occur.

3. SAMP Alternative based the OCP-2000. A watershed-wide aquatic

resource reserve program would be developed to preserve, enhance, and restore aquatic resources. Land uses projected in Orange County Projections-2000 for Rancho Mission Viejo would be implemented. A programmatic section 404 permit would be issued for specific projects and permitting criteria for future projects would be established pursuant to the requirements of the section 404 of the Clean Water Act.

4. SAMP Alternative based on Other Land Use Scenarios. A watershed-wide aquatic resource reserve program would be developed to preserve, enhance, and restore aquatic resources. One or more land use development plan would be developed under this alternative consistent with the goals and objectives of the SAMP. Programmatic section 404 permits would be issued for specific projects, and permitting criteria for future projects would be established.

The EIS would also address methods and institutional arrangements for aquatic resource reserve management.

4.0 Key Environmental Issues

The EIS will address impacts associated with future land development in the watersheds and actions to protect aquatic resources, as identified in the SAMP. They key environmental impacts to be addressed in the EIS are listed below:

- *Aquatic resources*—potential effects of proposed land use alternatives on the functional integrity and extent of aquatic resources due to altered biological, hydrological, and water quality conditions in the study area. Indirect impacts of land development and human activities in close proximity to aquatic resources will also be addressed.

- *Water quality*—potential effects on the quality of surface and ground water due to construction activities in the watersheds, and due to urban stormwater runoff associated with future development.

- *Threatened and endangered species*—potential adverse impacts on listed aquatic dependent species, including, but not limited to, arroyo toad, San Diego fairy shrimp, and least Bell's vireo. A Section 7 endangered species consultation will be conducted with the US Fish and Wildlife Service for potential impacts to listed species and designated critical habitat for the least Bell's vireo and arroyo toad. Potential impacts on the endangered California gnatcatcher habitat will be addressed.

- *Cultural Resources*—potential impacts on archaeological, ethnographic, paleontologic, and historic resources. The Corps of

Engineers will comply with the consultation requirements under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act.

5.0 Schedule

A Draft EIS is expected to be issued for public review in Spring 2002.

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UNIFORMED SERVICES UNIVERSITY OF THE HEALTH SCIENCES

Sunshine Act Meeting

AGENCY HOLDING THE MEETING:

Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences

TIME AND DATE: 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., May 18, 2001

PLACE: Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences, Board of Regents Conference Room (D3001), 4301 Jones Bridge Road, Bethesda, MD 20814-4799

STATUS: Open—under "Government in the Sunshine Act" (5 U.S.C. 552b(e)(3))

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:

8:30 a.m. Meeting—Board of Regents

- (1) Approval of Minutes—February 6, 2001
- (2) Faculty Matters
- (3) Departmental Reports
- (4) Financial Report
- (5) Report—President, USUHS
- (6) Report—Dean, School of Medicine
- (7) Report—Dean, Graduate School of Nursing
- (8) Comments—Chairman, Board of Regents
- (9) New Business

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Dated: April 16, 2001.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Notice of Proposed Information Collection Requests

AGENCY: Department of Education.

ACTION: Notice of proposed information collection requests.

SUMMARY: The Leader, Regulatory Information Management, Office of the