

Dear Commissioner: This directive amends, but does not cancel, the directive issued to you on December 1, 1999, by the Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements. That directive concerns imports of certain cotton, wool, man-made fiber, silk blend and other vegetable fiber textiles and textile products, produced or manufactured in Thailand and exported during the period which began on January 1, 2000 and extends through December 31, 2000, except for the period for Category 603 which began on January 1, 2000 and extends through September 30, 2000.

Effective on March 27, 2000, you are directed to adjust the limits for the following categories, as provided for under the Uruguay Round Agreement on Textiles and Clothing:

Category	Adjusted twelve-month limit ¹
Levels in Group I	
363	23,193,679 numbers.
369-D ²	263,114 kilograms.
603	1,735,591 kilograms.
619	8,066,394 square meters.
Sublevels in Group II	
336/636	363,239 dozen.
338/339	2,123,160 dozen
340	318,335 dozen.
347/348/847	935,030 dozen.
638/639	2,510,374 dozen.

¹ The limits have not been adjusted to account for any imports exported after December 31, 1999.

² Category 369-D: only HTS numbers 6302.60.0010, 6302.91.0005 and 6302.91.0045.

The Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements has determined that these actions fall within the foreign affairs exception to the rulemaking provisions of 5 U.S.C. 553(a)(1).

Sincerely,

Troy H. Cribb,

Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

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CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

Proposed Information Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Corporation for National and Community Service.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Corporation for National and Community Service (hereinafter the "Corporation"), as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, conducts a preclearance consultation program to provide the general public and Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing collections of information in

accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA95) (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). This program helps to ensure that requested data can be provided in the desired format, reporting burden (time and financial resources) is minimized, collection instruments are clearly understood, and the impact of collection requirement on respondents can be properly assessed. Currently, the Corporation is soliciting comments concerning its request for approval of a new information collection from representatives of communities served by organizations that conduct community service activities under the sponsorship of Corporation grants. This information will be used by the Corporation to evaluate the nature and effectiveness of its national service programs.

Copies of the proposed information collection request may be obtained by contacting the office listed below in the **ADDRESSES** section of this notice.

DATES: Written comments must be submitted to the office listed in the **ADDRESSES** section by May 26, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Send comments to the Corporation for National and Community Service Attn: Marcia Scott, Office of Evaluation, 1201 New York Avenue, N.W., 9th floor, Washington, D.C. 20525.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Marcia Scott, (202) 606-5000, ext. 100.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

The Corporation is particularly interested in comments which:

- Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Corporation, including whether the information will have practical utility;
- Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- Propose ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- Propose ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submissions of responses.

Background

The Corporation for National Service has the responsibility to evaluate the effectiveness of its programs. The Corporation's major initiative is

AmeriCorps, the national service program funded at \$435 million annually. While the primary emphasis of AmeriCorps is on providing services to communities and other beneficiaries, of key importance is participant development. AmeriCorps includes the State/National program and the National Civilian Community Corps (NCCC) program. The objectives of this study are to describe the outcomes that are associated with participating and document changes in those outcomes over time; to identify factors explaining variation in outcomes at different stages of time; and to identify relationships between selected program features and member outcomes. Outcome domains will include civic engagement, educational skill aspiration and achievements, employment skill aspiration and achievements, and life skills.

To meet these objectives, the study has selected a nationally representative sample of 2,500 incoming AmeriCorps members from over 100 programs to ensure generalizability to the overall population. The Corporation is conducting a study to collect baseline data from a self-report survey measuring a variety of life outcomes for AmeriCorps members of State/National and NCCC programs as well as individual background characteristics. To fully understand the impacts that cause change in outcomes, the Corporation has selected a comparison group for both programs and is in the process of collecting baseline information on those individuals.

Current Action

The Corporation seeks approval to continue to study the impact of AmeriCorp*State/National and AmeriCorps*NCCC on members over time. The initial round of data collection for this study was authorized under OMB approval 3045-0060 which expires September 30, 2002. This is a request to conduct two additional rounds of data collection on the study: (1) Surveys of treatment and comparison group members at two time points: ten months and two years after baseline; and (2) a survey of AmeriCorps program administrators at the end of the 1999-2000 program year.

Type of Review: New approval.

Agency: Corporation for National and Community Service.

Title: Long-term Study of Member Outcomes.

OMB Number: None.

Agency Number: None.

Affected Public: AmeriCorps members, comparison group individuals, AmeriCorps program administrators.

Total Respondents: 4613.

- 2,500 AmeriCorps members (2,000 State/National and 500 NCCC).
- 2,000 individuals in the comparison groups (1,500 individuals who inquired about AmeriCorps through the CNS inquiry line for the State/National comparison group; 500 individuals from the NCCC program's wait list for the NCCC comparison group).
- 113 AmeriCorps program administrators.

Frequency:

- AmeriCorps members at post-program (eight months after baseline).
- Comparison group individuals eight months after baseline.
- Program characteristics from AmeriCorps administrators.
- AmeriCorps member and comparison group follow-up at three years after baseline (approximately two years after the post-program survey).

Average Time Per Response:

- The Post-program survey of members will require an average of 45 minutes per respondent.
- The initial follow-up survey of individuals in the comparison groups will take an average of 30 minutes per respondent.
- The survey of AmeriCorps program administrators will take an average of 30 minutes per program.
- Follow-up surveys of AmeriCorps members and individuals in the comparison group at three years after baseline will take an average of 30 minutes per respondent.

Estimated Total Burden Hours: 5,182 hours.

Total Burden Cost (capital/startup): None.

Total Burden Cost (operating/maintenance): None.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for Office of Management and Budget approval of the information collection request; they also will become a matter of public record.

Dated: March 21, 2000.

Thomasenia P. Duncan,

General Counsel.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army

Board of Visitors, United States Military Academy; Meeting

AGENCY: United States Military Academy.

ACTION: Notice of Open Meeting.

SUMMARY: In accordance with Section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (P.L. 92-463), announcement is made of the following meeting:

Name of Committee: Board of Visitors, United States Military Academy.

Date of Meeting: 8 May 2000.

Place of Meeting: Superintendent's Conference Room, Taylor Hall, United States Military Academy, West Point, New York.

Start Time of Meeting: Approximately 2:00 pm.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For further information, contact Lieutenant Colonel Lawrence J. Verbiest, United States Military Academy, West Point, NY 10996-5000, (914) 938-4200.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Proposed Agenda: Review of the Academic, Military and Physical Programs, Intercollegiate Sports Programs and Admissions at USMA. All proceedings are open.

Gregory D. Showalter,

Army Federal Register Liaison Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army Corps of Engineers

Intent To Prepare a Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (SEIS) for Modifications to Operation and Maintenance Dredging Activities on the Black Warrior and Tombigbee Rivers, Alabama

AGENCY: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, DoD.

ACTION: Notice of intent.

SUMMARY: The Mobile District, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers intends to prepare a SEIS. Operation and maintenance (O&M) dredging needs on the Black Warrior and Tombigbee Rivers (BWT Waterway) have been dynamic over time as has sediment transport. Removal of sediment deposited in the navigation channel has resulted in the need for additional within-bank and

upland disposal areas. Diminishing disposal area capacity primarily in upland disposal areas, has begun to impact operation and maintenance dredging activities at several locations along the BWT Waterway. Rock formations have also been identified that are impacting the navigation channel. The Mobile District will evaluate dredging and disposal area needs, develop and evaluate alternatives for long-term operation and maintenance dredging on the BWT Waterway and recommend an environmentally and economically sound plan.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Questions about the SEIS can be answered by: Mr. Steve Hrabovsky; Inland Environment Section; U.S. Army Engineer District-Mobile; Post Office Box 2288; Mobile, Alabama 36628-0001; Telephone (334) 690-2872; Fax (334) 694-3815. Mr. Hrabovsky can also be reached by e-mail (steven.l.hrabovsky@sam.usace.army.mil).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Black Warrior and Tombigbee Rivers Project was authorized by Congress in various River and Harbor Acts from 1884-1986 for the primary purpose of navigation. Construction of the project was completed to existing channel dimensions in 1938. Other project purposes include hydroelectric power, public recreation, regulation of stream flow, water quality, fish and wildlife conservation and fish and wildlife mitigation. O&M dredging activities on the BWT Waterway have been discussed in two environmental impact statements (EISs) prepared by the Corps: (1) Final EIS Black Warrior and Tombigbee Rivers (Maintenance), Alabama, filed with the Council on Environmental Quality on April 16, 1976; and (2) Final Supplement to the Final EIS Black Warrior and Tombigbee Rivers, Alabama (Maintenance), filed with the Council on Environmental Quality on April 13, 1987. However, the dynamics of the river system have forced more changes to meet current O&M needs. The Mobile District has identified additional within-bank disposal areas that are required due to changing sedimentation patterns; additional upland disposal areas required to supplement existing upland sites or establish disposal area capacity in other portions of the BWT Waterway; and changes to the list of small boat access channels to potentially be dredged. These changes to the small boat access channel list consist primarily of corrections/updates in name and river mile number, as well as, dredging quantities and frequency. In