

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For a copy of the Integrated Interim Report and DEIS, or for additional information, please contact Ms. Stacey Underwood at (410) 962-4977 or Ms. Carol Anderson-Austra at (410) 962-2910, or write to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Baltimore District (Attn: Ms. Stacey Underwood, CENAB-PL-P) P.O. Box 1715, Baltimore, MD 21203-1715, or send an e-mail message to: [ocwr@ccmail.nab.usace.army.mil](mailto:ocwr@ccmail.nab.usace.army.mil).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The decision to implement this action is being based on an evaluation of the probable impact of the proposed activities on the public interest. The decision will reflect the national concern for both protection and utilization of important resources. The benefits that reasonably may be expected to accrue from the proposed project are being balanced against its reasonably foreseeable detriments. All factors that may be relevant to the proposal, including the cumulative effects thereof, are being considered; among these factors are economics, aesthetics, general environmental concerns, wetlands, cultural values, flood hazards, fish and wildlife values, flood plain values, land use, recreation, water supply and conservation, water quality, energy needs, safety, food and fiber production, and the general needs and welfare of the people.

The DEIS describes the impacts of the proposed project on environmental and cultural resources in the study area. The DEIS also applies guidelines issued by the Environmental Protection Agency, under authority of the Clean Water Act of 1977 (P.L. 95-217). An evaluation of the proposed actions on the waters of the United States was performed pursuant to the guidelines of the Administrator, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, under authority of Section 404 of the Clean Water Act. The proposed dredging, construction, and placement of dredged material is in compliance with Section 404(b)(1) guidelines.

In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act and the Clean Water Act, the Corps of Engineers is soliciting comments from the public and from Federal, state, and local agencies and officials, as well as other interested parties. Any comments received will be considered by the Corps of Engineers in the decision to implement the project. To make this decision, comments are considered to assess impacts on endangered species, historic properties, water quality, general environmental effects, and other public interest factors listed above. Comments regarding the

proposed project will be incorporated into the Final Environmental Impact Statement as required by NEPA. Public comments will also be used to determine the overall public interest.

The public review and comment period for the draft feasibility study and DEIS will be for 45 days, from May 16, 1997, to June 30, 1997.

This Notice of Availability is being sent to organizations and individuals known to have an interest in the proposed restoration. Please bring this notice to the attention of any other individuals with an interest in this matter. Copies of the Draft Report and EIS are available for review at the following locations:

Eastern Shore Area Library, 122 So. Division St., Salisbury, MD Worcester County Library, Snow Hill Branch, 207 No. Washington St., Snow Hill, MD  
Eastern Shore Public Library, 23610 Front St., Accomac, VA Worcester County Library, Ocean City Branch, 14th St. and Coastal Highway, Ocean City, MD  
Enoch Pratt Free Library, 400 Cathedral St., Baltimore, MD Assateague Island National Seashore, Route 611, 7206 National Seashore Lane, Berlin, MD.

**Scoping:** A public scoping meeting will be held to give individuals and groups the opportunity to comment, orally and/or in writing, on the environmental, social, and economic impacts of the proposed action (recommended plan) as presented in the DEIS. The DEIS findings will be reviewed at the public meeting, and comments regarding the proposed project will be incorporated into the Final Environmental Impact Statement as required by NEPA.

The public meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 4, 1997, at 6:30 p.m. at the Ocean City Elementary School. Written comments received by June 30, 1997 will be incorporated into the Final EIS.

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Department of the Navy

#### Notice of Marine Corps University Board of Visitors; Open Meeting

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C., App. 2), notice is given that the Board of Visitors to the President,

Marine Corps University, will meet 4-5 June 1997 in Room 227, Marine Corps Research Center, Marine Corps Combat Development Command, 2040 Broadway, Quantico, Virginia. The meeting will commence at 8:00 a. m. on 4 June and terminate at approximately 12:00 p.m. on 5 June.

The purpose of the meeting is to elicit the advice of the Board on regional accreditation and educational and research policies and programs. The agenda will consist of presentations and discussions on preparations for a visit by a team from the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, the curriculum, and plans of the University. The meeting is open to the public.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Dr. V. Keith Fleming, Jr., Education Advisor, Office of the President, Marine Corps University, MCCDC (C 40), 2076 South Street, Quantico, Virginia 22134-5067, telephone number (703) 784-4037.

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## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

### Notice of Proposed Information Collection Requests

**AGENCY:** Department of Education.

**ACTION:** Proposed collection; comment request.

**SUMMARY:** The Director, Information Resources Management Group, 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 July 14, 1997.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments and requests for copies of the proposed information collection requests should be addressed to Patrick J. Sherrill, Department of Education, 600 Independence Avenue, S.W., Room 5624, Regional Office Building 3, Washington, DC 20202-4651.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Patrick J. Sherrill (202) 708-8196.

Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339 between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m., Eastern time, Monday through Friday.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of