

EIS. For NAS Lemoore, where F/A-18C/D strike fighter squadrons are currently based, the proposed action would result in an increase of 92 aircraft because 72 of the 164 aircraft would replace existing F/A-18 aircraft. Basing the aircraft at NAF El Centro, which does not have existing strike fighter squadrons, would result in an increase of 164 aircraft at the installation.

The DEIS analyzes potential environmental impacts to land use and airspace, visual resources, socioeconomic, cultural resources, traffic and circulation, air quality, noise, biological resources, water resources, utilities and services, public health and safety, and hazardous materials and waste. Potentially significant, but mitigable, environmental impacts include impacts to land use and airspace and biological resources at NAF El Centro, schools (socioeconomics) at NAS Lemoore, and traffic, air quality, and hazardous materials and storage at both installations. Significant, and not mitigable, impacts related to noise have been identified at NAF El Centro.

No decision on the proposed action will be made until the National Environmental Policy Act process has been completed.

The DEIS has been distributed to various federal, state, and local agencies, local groups, elected official, special interest groups, and individuals. The DEIS is also available for review at the following public libraries: Lemoore, Hanford, Fresno, Avenol, El Centro, and Brawley.

The 2 public hearings will be held for the purpose to receive oral and written comment on the DEIS. The first hearing will be held on Wednesday, January 7, 1998, at 7:00 p.m., at the Lemoore City Council Chamber, 429 C Street, Lemoore, California. The second hearing will be held on Thursday, January 8, 1998, at 7:00 p.m., at the Imperial County Board of Supervisors Chambers, 940 West Main Street, El Centro, California. Federal, state and local agencies, and interested individuals are invited to be present or represented at the hearing. Oral comments will be heard and transcribed by a court recorder. To assure accuracy of the record, all comments should be submitted in writing. All comments, both oral and written, will become part of the public record in the study. In the interest of available time, each speaker will be asked to limit oral comments to three minutes. Longer comments should be summarized at the public hearing and submitted in writing either at the hearing or mailed to Mr. Surinder Field Sikand (Code 70311), Engineering Field

Activity West, Naval Facilities Engineering Command, 900 Commodore Drive, San Bruno, California 94066, FAX (650) 244-3206. Written comments are requested not later than January 26, 1998.

Electronic Filing Address—comments and data may be submitted by electronic mail (e-mail) to:

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Department of the Navy

#### Availability of Government Owned Invention for Licensing

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

**ACTION:** Notice of Availability of Government Owned Invention for Licensing.

**SUMMARY:** U.S. Patent Number 4,906,879, entitled "Terbium-Dysprosium Magnetostrictive High Power Transducers," is assigned to the United States Government as represented by the Secretary of the Navy and is available for licensing by the Department of the Navy.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Requests for copies of the patent cited or further information should be directed to Mr. Dick Bloomquist, Director, Technology Transfer, Naval Surface Warfare Center Carderock Division, Code 0117, 9500 MacArthur Blvd., West Bethesda, MD 20817-5700, telephone number: (301) 227-4299.

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Department of the Navy

#### Privacy Act of 1974; System of Records

**AGENCY:** Department of the Navy.

**ACTION:** Notice to Alter a System of Records.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of the Navy proposes to alter a record system in its inventory of system of records notices subject to the Privacy Act of 1974 (5 U.S.C. 552a), as amended. The alteration consists of adding a routine use to permit the disclosure of personnel information to private organizations under government contract to perform random analytical research into specific aspects of military personnel management and administrative procedures.

**DATES:** The action will be effective without further notice on January 16, 1998 unless comments are received that would result in a contrary determination.

**ADDRESSES:** Send comments to the Department of the Navy, PA/FOIA Policy Branch, Chief of Naval Operations (N09B30), 2000 Navy Pentagon, Washington, DC 20350-2000.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mrs. Doris Lama at (202) 685-6545 or DSN 325-6545.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The complete inventory of the Department of the Navy's record system notices for records systems subject to the Privacy Act of 1974 (5 U.S.C. 552a), as amended, have been published in the **Federal Register** and are available from the address above.

The proposed system report, as required by 5 U.S.C. 552a(r) of the Privacy Act of 1974, as amended, was submitted on December 9, 1997, to the House Committee on Government Reform and Oversight, the Senate Committee on Governmental Affairs, and the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) pursuant to paragraph 4c of Appendix I to OMB Circular No. A-130, 'Federal Agency Responsibilities for Maintaining Records About Individuals,' dated February 8, 1996 (February 20, 1996, 61 FR 6427).

The specific changes to the record system being altered are set forth below followed by the notice, as altered, published in its entirety.

Dated: December 11, 1997.

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**SYSTEM NAME:**

Navy Personnel Records System  
(September 9, 1996, 61 FR 47483).

**CHANGES:**

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