

a. When a vehicle is loaded with a shipment weighing in excess of 48,000 pounds and a carrier is required to obtain a permit(s) and associated services from any city, county, state or municipal agency in order to transport the shipment, the following charges will be assessed for that weight in excess of 48,000 pounds:

Weight in excess of: (in pounds)	Charges per mile
48,000 but less than 68,000.	PER(1) _____
68,000 but less than 88,000.	PER(2) _____
88,000 but less than 108,000.	PER(3) _____
108,000 and over .....	PER(4) _____

b. These charges are to reimburse the carrier for costs of permits, bonds, tolls, fees, and for any administrative cost spent in obtaining such services and will be in addition to line-haul transportation costs.

**Item 400 Permits and Special Tolls**

This item is cancelled. All overdimensional charges to include permits, bonds, tolls, fees, and any other administrative costs spent in obtaining such services will be included in Item 385, Overdimensional Freight Service (520).

Finally, the following definition will be added to Item 1001 of MFTRP No. 1A and to Item 1005 of MGTRP No. 50:

Practical Route Mileage—Mileage calculated over the most efficient route, primarily including National Interstate Highways, U.S. Highways, and Primary State Highways.

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**DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

**Department of the Army**

**Availability of U.S. Patents for Non-Exclusive, Exclusive, or Partially-Exclusive Licensing**

**AGENCY:** U.S. Army Research Laboratory.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with 37 CFR 404.6, announcement is made of the availability of the following U.S. patents for nonexclusive, partially exclusive or exclusive licensing. All of the listed patents have been assigned to the United States of America as represented by the Secretary of the Army, Washington, DC.

These patents covers a wide variety of technical arts including: A Simulator for Smart Munitions Testing and An Apparatus for Variable Optical Focusing.

Under the authority of Section 11(a)(2) of the Federal Technology Transfer Act of 1986 (Public Law 99-502) and Section 207 of Title 35, United States Code, the Department of the Army as represented by the U.S. Army Research Laboratory wish to license the U.S. patents listed below in a non-exclusive, exclusive or partially exclusive manner to any party interested in manufacturing, using, and/or selling devices or processes covered by these patents.

*Title:* Simulator for Smart Munitions Testing.

*Inventor:* Mark D. Sevachko.

*Patent Number:* 5,719,797.

*Issued Date:* February 17, 1998.

*Title:* Apparatus for Variable Optical Focusing for Processing Chambers.

*Inventor:* Somnath Sengupta.

*Patent Number:* 5,711,810.

*Issued Date:* January 27, 1998.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Mike Rausa, Technology Transfer Office, AMSRL-CS-TT, U.S. Army Research Laboratory, Aberdeen Proving Ground, Maryland 21005-5055, tel: (410) 278-5028; fax: (410) 278-5820.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** None.

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**DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

**Department of the Army**

**Corps of Engineers**

**Intent To Prepare a Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Aliso Creek Watershed Feasibility Study; Orange County, CA**

**AGENCY:** U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps), Los Angeles District, DoD.

**ACTION:** Notice of intent.

**SUMMARY:** The Aliso Creek Watershed encompasses a drainage area of approximately thirty-six (36) square miles in southern Orange County extending approximately nineteen (19) miles from the foothills of the Santa Ana Mountains to the Pacific Ocean south of Laguna Beach. Rapid residential and commercial development within the past thirty-five years has produced a number of unintended consequences on the watershed and its creeks. These include decreased water quality and

supply, loss of habitat, flooding, erosion, and loss of recreational opportunities. In response to these and other problems raised by various federal and state offices, interest groups, and private parties the Corps is developing an integrated watershed management plan to enhance positive trends in maintaining the Aliso Creek Watershed system.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For further information contact Mr. Timothy J. Smith, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Attn: CESPL-PD-RN, P.O. Box 532711, Los Angeles, California 90053-2325; phone (213) 452-3854; email tjsmith@spl.usace.army.mil

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** To prepare for preparation of the EIS, the Corps will be conducting a public scoping meeting on March 25, 1998, at 7 p.m., at the Laguna Niguel City Council Chambers, located at 27841 La Paz Road, Laguna Niguel, California. This scoping will be held to solicit public input on significant environmental issues associated with the proposed project. The public, as well as Federal, State, and local agencies are encouraged to participate in the scoping process by attending the Scoping Meeting and/or submitting data, information, and comments identifying relevant environmental and socioeconomic issues to be addressed in the environmental analysis. Useful information includes other environmental studies, published and unpublished data, alternatives that should be addressed in the analysis, and potential environmental enhancement and restoration opportunities that exist in the watershed. Individuals and agencies may offer information or data relevant to the proposed study and provide comments suggestions by attending the public scoping meeting, or by mailing the information to Mr. Timothy J. Smith. Requests to be placed on the mailing list for announcements and the Draft EIS should be sent to Mr. Timothy J. Smith.

*Alternatives:* The study will develop an integrated watershed management plan as well as a list of potential environmental enhancement and restoration opportunities throughout the Aliso Creek Watershed. Specific measures selected for implementation will be analyzed in detail in supplementary National Environmental Policy Act/California Environmental Quality Act documentation.

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