

Needs and Uses: The Corps of Engineers uses ENG Forms 3925, 3925B, and 3925P as the basic instruments to collect waterborne commerce statistics. This data constitutes the sole source for domestic vessel movements of freight and passengers on U.S. navigable waterways and harbors. The data is collected from vessel operating companies, and are essential in maintaining U.S. navigable waterways. The data is also critical to the enforcement of the Harbor Maintenance Tax authorized under Section 1402 of Public Law 99-662.

Affected Public: Business or other for profit.

Annual Burden Hours: 44,479.

Number of Respondents: 1,321.

Responses Per Respondent: 228,752.

Average Burden Per Response: 5 minutes.

Frequency: Monthly.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The information collected is the basic data from which the Corps of Engineers compiles and publishes waterborne commerce statistics. The data is used not only to report to Congress, but also to perform cost benefit studies for new projects, rehabilitation projects, and operations and maintenance of existing projects. The WCSC is the sole authorized collector of data on domestic waterborne commerce and provides same to maritime Administration (MARAD), Department of Energy, Tennessee Valley Authority, Interstate Commerce Commission, the Coast Guard, State taxing agencies, U.S. Customs Service, Department of Treasury, and the Internal Revenue Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Deputy Chief of Staff for Personnel (DAPE-ZXI-RM), U.S. Army, DoD.

ACTION: Notice.

In compliance with Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Department of the Army announces a proposed public information collection and seeks public comment on the provisions thereof. Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of

information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the information collection on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

DATE: Consideration will be given to all comments received by May 15, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and recommendations on the proposed information collection should be sent to U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Waterborne Commerce Statistics Center, P.O. Box 61280, New Orleans, LA 70161 ATTN: CEWRC-NDC-C (J. Alexander Wieriman). Consideration will be given to all comments received within 60 days of the date of publication of this notice.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request more information on this proposed information collection or to obtain a copy of the proposal and associated collection instruments, please write to the above address, or call Department of the Army Reports clearance officer at (703) 614-0454.

Title, Associated Form, and OMB

Number: Record of Arrivals and Departures of Vessels at Marine Terminals, ENG Form 3926, OMB Number 0710-0005.

Needs and Uses: The Corps of Engineers uses ENG Form 3926, as a quality control instrument by comparing the data collected on the Corps' Vessel Operation Report (OMB Control Number 0710-0006) with that collected on the ENG Form 3926. The information is voluntarily submitted by the respondents to assist the Waterborne Commerce Statistics Center (WCSC) in the identification of vessel operators who fail to report significant vessel moves and tonnage.

Affected Public: Business or other for profit.

Annual Burden Hours: 2,500.

Number of Respondents: 450.

Responses Per Respondent: 12.

Average Burden Per Response: 5 minutes.

Frequency: Voluntary.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The information is invaluable in documenting the movement of petroleum products out of Valdez, Alaska. Without the information furnished on the ENG Form 3926 at least 50,000,000 tons of petroleum products would go unreported each

year. This situation exists because there are many vessel operating companies moving crude petroleum from Valdez to points south.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE DEFENSE

Department of the Army, Corps of Engineers

Cancellation of the Notice of Intent To Prepare a Draft Supplement to the Environmental Impact Statement (D-SEIS) for the Kennedy Bechara Segment of the Rio Puerto Nuevo Flood Control Project in Guaynabo and San Juan, Puerto Rico

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

ACTION: Cancellation notice.

SUMMARY: The Jacksonville District, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers hereby cancels its Notice of Intent to prepare a Draft Supplement to the Environmental Impact Statement for the Rio Puerto Nuevo Flood Control Project, Kennedy-Bechara segment, as published in the **Federal Register** (Vol. 64, No. 174), Thursday, September 9, 1999, page 48995. Additional information concerning the cancellation is contained in the Supplementary Information paragraph indicated below.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Questions can be forwarded to Mr. Elmar G. Kurzbach, Environmental Branch, Planning Division, Jacksonville District, Corps of Engineers, Post Office Box 4970, Jacksonville, Florida 32232-0019, Phone: (904)-232-2325.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Notice is cancelled because, after scoping for the proposed Supplement was completed, no new issues were raised; no request was received for public meetings, and comments were received only from environmental and resource agencies. All substantive comments made reference primarily to adverse impacts on wetlands of the flood mitigation alternatives then under consideration, all of which would have used a wetland (mangrove) parcel for disposal of excavated material to a greater or lesser degree. Federal and Commonwealth of Puerto Rico resource agencies, including the project co-sponsor, Department of Natural and Environmental Resources, stated that using remnant wetlands for disposal of excavated material was unacceptable. Consequently, the preferred alternative