

1315 East-West Highway, Room 13130, Silver Spring, MD 20910 (301/713-2289);

Regional Administrator, Southwest Region, NMFS, 501 West Ocean Blvd., Suite 4200, Long Beach, CA 90802-4213 (562/980-4027); and

Pacific Islands Area Office, National Marine Fisheries Service, NOAA, 1601 Kapiolani Boulevard, Suite 1110, Honolulu HI 96814-4700 (808/973-2935).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Trevor Spradlin or Jill Lewandowski, 301/713-2289.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The subject amendment has been issued under the authority of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*), the provisions of § 216.39 of the Regulations Governing the Taking and Importing of Marine Mammals (50 CFR part 216), the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (ESA; 16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*), and the provisions of § 222.306 of the regulations governing the taking, importing, and exporting of endangered and threatened species (50 CFR parts 222-226).

The permit has been amended to (1) change the expiration date to August 31, 2005; (2) authorize the close approach to spinner dolphins (*Stenella longirostris*), spotted dolphins (*Stenella attenuata*) and bottlenose dolphins (*Tursiops truncatus*) that are associating with humpback whales; and (3) increase the number of annual humpback whale takes to 350 for controlled vessel approaches and 700 for audio/video recordings.

Issuance of this permit, as required by the ESA, was based on a finding that such permit (1) was applied for in good faith, (2) will not operate to the disadvantage of the endangered species which is the subject of this permit, and (3) is consistent with the purposes and policies set forth in section 2 of the ESA.

Dated: December 28, 2000.

**Ann D. Terbush,**

*Chief, Permits and Documentation Division, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service.*

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## CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE

### Notice of Transmittal of Final Sequestration Report for Fiscal Year 2001 to Congress and the Office of Management and Budget

Pursuant to section 254(b) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 (2 U.S.C. 904(b)), the Congressional Budget Office hereby reports that it has submitted its Final Sequestration Report for Fiscal Year 2001 to the House of Representatives, the Senate, and the Office of Management and Budget.

**Dan L. Crippen,**

*Director.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

### Notice of Proposed Information Collection Requests

**AGENCY:** Department of Education.

**ACTION:** Notice of proposed information collection requests.

**SUMMARY:** The Leader, Regulatory Information Management, Office of the Chief Information Officer, invites comments on the proposed information collection requests as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

**DATES:** An emergency review has been requested in accordance with the Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 3507 (j)), since public harm is reasonably likely to result if normal clearance procedures are followed. Approval by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) has been requested by January 5, 2001.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments regarding the emergency review should be addressed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Lauren Wittenberg, Acting Desk Officer: Department of Education, Office of Management and Budget; 725 17th Street, NW., Room 10235, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35) requires that the Director of OMB provide interested Federal agencies and the public an early opportunity to comment on information collection requests. The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) may amend or waive the requirement for public consultation to the extent that public participation in the approval process would defeat the purpose of the information collection,

violate State or Federal law, or substantially interfere with any agency's ability to perform its statutory obligations. The Leader, Regulatory Information Management, Office of the Chief Information Officer, publishes this notice containing proposed information collection requests at the beginning of the Departmental review of the information collection. Each proposed information collection, grouped by office, contains the following: (1) Type of review requested, *e.g.*, new, revision, extension, existing or reinstatement; (2) Title; (3) Summary of the collection; (4) Description of the need for, and proposed use of, the information; (5) Respondents and frequency of collection; and (6) Reporting and/or Recordkeeping burden. ED invites public comment.

The Department of Education is especially interested in public comment addressing the following issues: (1) Is this collection necessary to the proper functions of the Department; (2) will this information be processed and used in a timely manner, (3) is the estimate of burden accurate; (4) how might the Department enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected, and (5) how might the Department minimize the burden of this collection on respondents, including through the use of information technology.

Dated: December 28, 2000.

**John Tressler,**

*Leader, Regulatory Information Management, Office of the Chief Information Officer.*

### Office of Elementary and Secondary Education

*Type of Review:* New.

*Title:* Application for the Transition to Teaching Program.

*Abstract:* The Transition to Teaching Program provides grants to local educational agencies, state educational agencies, educational service agencies, nonprofit agencies and organizations to support their efforts to recruit talented and capable individuals from other fields to become licensed or certified classroom teachers.

*Additional Information:* Due to the unexpected delay in passage of an appropriations law, ED is requesting an emergency review of this information collection in order to make awards in sufficient time for applicants to participate in the Transition for Teaching Program. Based upon the occurrence of this unanticipated event, and the public harm that might otherwise occur with delaying grant awards so that the opportunity is missed to support efforts in recruiting

individuals from other fields to become licensed or certified classroom teachers, OMB approval is requested by January 5, 2001, so that the application notice can be published and the application be made available to eligible applicants. We anticipate that this time schedule will allow eligible applicants 60 days to prepare grant applications, and the Department to award grants by mid-May.

*Frequency:* Annually.

*Affected Public:* State, Local, or Tribal Gov't, SEAs or LEAs; Not-for-profit institutions.

*Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:*

Responses: 200

Burden Hours: 2,400

Requests for copies of the proposed information collection request should be directed to Vivian Reese, Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., Room 4050, Regional Office Building 3, Washington, DC 20202-4651, or should be electronically mailed to the internet address OCIO\_IMG\_Issues@ed.gov, or should be faxed to 202-708-9346.

Comments regarding burden and/or the collection activity requirements, contact Kathy Axt at her internet address Kathy\_Axt@ed.gov. Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board, Los Alamos; Notice of Open Meeting

**AGENCY:** Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Notice of open meeting.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces a meeting of the Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board (EM SSAB), Los Alamos. The Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. No. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770) requires that public notice of these meetings be announced in the **Federal Register**.

**DATES:** Wednesday, January 24, 2001, 6:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** St. Vincent Hospital, 455 St. Michael's Drive, Santa Fe, NM.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ann DuBois, Northern New Mexico Citizens' Advisory Board, 1640 Old Pecos Trail, Suite H, Santa Fe, NM 87505. Phone (505) 989-1662; fax (505) 989-1752 or e-mail: [adubois@doeal.gov](mailto:adubois@doeal.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Purpose of the Board:* The purpose of the Board is to make recommendations to DOE and its regulators in the areas of environmental restoration, waste management, and related activities.

*Tentative Agenda:*

1. Opening Activities 6:00-6:30 p.m.
2. Public Comments 6:30-7:00 p.m.
3. Reports 7:00-9:00 p.m.

LANL's RCRA Permit, Part B—James Bearzi, Chief of Hazardous Waste Division, New Mexico Environment Department

4. Committee Reports: Waste Management Environmental Restoration Monitoring and Surveillance Community Outreach Budget

5. Other Board business will be conducted as necessary.

This agenda is subject to change at least one day in advance of the meeting.

*Public Participation:* The meeting is open to the public. Written statements may be filed with the Committee either before or after the meeting. Individuals who wish to make oral statements pertaining to agenda items should contact Ann DuBois at the address or telephone number listed above.

Requests must be received five days prior to the meeting and reasonable provision will be made to include the presentation in the agenda. The Deputy Designated Federal Officer is empowered to conduct the meeting in a fashion that will facilitate the orderly conduct of business. Each individual wishing to make public comment will be provided a maximum of five minutes to present their comments at the beginning of the meeting.

*Minutes:* Minutes of this meeting will be available for public review and copying at the Freedom of Information Public Reading Room, 1E-190, Forrestal Building, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20585 between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday-Friday, except Federal holidays. Minutes will also be available at the Public Reading Room located at the Board's office at 1640 Old Pecos Trail, Suite H, Santa Fe, NM.

Hours of operation for the Public Reading Room are 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. on Monday through Friday. Minutes will also be made available by writing or calling Ann DuBois at the Board's office address or telephone number listed above. Minutes and other Board documents are on the Internet at: <http://www.nnmcab.org>.

Issued at Washington, DC on December 29, 2000.

**Rachel M. Samuel,**

*Deputy Advisory Committee Management Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board, Hanford; Notice of Open Meeting

**AGENCY:** Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Notice of Open Meeting.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces a meeting of the Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board (EM SSAB), Hanford. The Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. No. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770) requires that public notice of these meetings be announced in the **Federal Register**.

**DATES:** Thursday, February 1, 2001: 9:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m.; Friday, February 2, 2001: 8:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** West Coast Hotel (formerly Cavanaugh's), 1101 North Columbia Center Boulevard, Kennewick, WA (509-783-0611).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Gail McClure, Public Involvement Program Manager, Department of Energy Richland Operations Office, P.O. Box 550 (A7-75), Richland, WA, 99352; Phone: (509) 373-5647; Fax: (509) 376-1563.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** *Purpose of the Board:* The purpose of the Board is to make recommendations to DOE and its regulators in the areas of environmental restoration, waste management, and related activities.

*Tentative Agenda:*

Thursday, February 1, 2001

Morning

- Hanford Advisory Board Chair Transition
- Spent Fuel—Update from the Department of Energy
- New Tank Waste Treatment Contract (EPA)
- Overview of contract—technical, financial, regulatory (EPA)

Afternoon

- Reconsideration of committee structure (Board discussion)
- Discussion of FY 2003 Budget Development Process and product from the Board

Friday, February 2, 2001

Morning

- Emerging Tri-Party Agreement (TPA) Issues
- SSAB Issue
- February SSAB Chairs Meeting
- Discussion on Proposing a SSAB Groundwater/Vadoze Workshop