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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Defense Threat Reduction Agency; Membership of the Performance Review Board

AGENCY: Department of Defense, Defense Threat Reduction Agency.

ACTION: None.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the appointment of Defense Threat Reduction Agency (DTRA) Performance Review Board (PRB) membership. The publication of the PRB membership is required by 5 U.S.C. 4314(c)(4). The PRB shall provide fair and impartial review of Senior Executive performance appraisals and make recommendations regarding performance ratings and performance awards to the Director, Defense Threat Reduction Agency.

EFFECTIVE DATE: The effective date of service for the appointees of the DTRA PRB is on or about September 12, 2002.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Tana Farrell, Resource Management Directorate, 7037675759, Defense Threat Reduction Agency, 8725 John J. Kingman Road, Stop 6201, Ft. Belvoir, Virginia 220606201.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In accordance with 5 U.S.C. 4314(c)(4), the officials appointed to serve as members of the DTRA PRB are set forth below.

PRB Chair: Mr. Robert L. Brittigan
Member: Mr. Douglas M. Englund
Member: Ms. Ann Bridges Steely.

The following DIRA officials will serve as alternate members of the DTRA PRB:

Mr. Michael Evenson
Dr. Joe Golden
Mr. Richard Gullickson
Dr. Arthur Hopkins
Mr. Myron Kunka
Dr. Don Linger
Mr. Vayl Oxford
Ms. Joan Ma Pierre
Dr. Michael Shore
Dr. Starnes Walker
Dr. Leon Wittwer

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Air Force

Acceptance of Group Application Under Pub. L. 95-202 and Department of Defense Directive (DoDD) 1000.20 "Reconsideration: Pursers as Part of the U.S. Civilian Flight Crew and Aviation Ground Support Employees of Transcontinental and Western Air (TWA), Incorporated, Who Served Overseas as a Result of TWA's Contract With the Air Transport Command During the Period February 26, 1942 Through August 14, 1945."

Under the provisions of section 401, Public Law 95-202 and DoD Directive 1000.20, the Department of Defense Civilian/Military Service Review Board has accepted a "reconsideration" of whether or not "pursers" should be recognized as part of the previously recognized group known as: "U.S. Civilian Flight Crew and Aviation Ground Support Employees of Transcontinental and Western Air (TWA), Inc., Who Served Overseas as a Result of TWA's Contract with the Air Transport Command During the Period February 26, 1942 through August 14, 1945." Persons with information of documentation pertinent to the determination of whether the service of the "pursers" should be considered active military service to the Armed Forces of the United States are encouraged to submit such information or documentation within 60 days to the DoD Civilian/Military Service Review Board, 1535 Command Drive, EE-Wing, 3rd Floor, Andrews AFB, MD 20762-7002. Copies of documents or other materials submitted cannot be returned.

Pamela D. Fitzgerald,

Air Force Federal Register Liaison Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army

Department of Defense Historical Advisory Committee; Meeting

AGENCY: Department of the Army, DoD.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: In accordance with section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463), announcement is made of the following committee meeting:

Name of Committee: Department of Defense Historical Advisory Committee.

Date: October 24, 2002.

Time: 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Place: U.S. Army Center of Military History, Building 35, 103 Third Avenue, Fort McNair, DC 20319-5058.

Proposed Agenda: Review and discussion of the status of historical activities in the United States Army.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Jeffrey J. Clarke, U.S. Army Center of Military History, ATTN: DAMH-ZC, 103 Third Avenue, Fort McNair, DC 20319-5058; telephone number (202) 685-2709.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The committee will review the Army's historical activities for FY 2002 and those projected for FY 2003 based upon reports and manuscripts received throughout the period. And the committee will formulate recommendations through the Chief of Military History to the Chief of Staff, Army, and the Secretary of the Army for advancing the use of history in the U.S. Army.

The meeting of the advisory committee is open to the public. Because of the restricted meeting space, however, attendance may be limited to those persons who have notified the Advisory Committee Management Office in writing at least five days prior to the meeting of their intention to attend the October 24, 2002 meeting.

Any members of the public may file a written statement with the committee before, during, or after the meeting. To the extent that time permits, the committee chairman may allow public presentations or oral statements at the meeting.

Dated: August 13, 2002.

Jeffrey J. Clarke,

Chief Historian.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army; Corps of Engineers

Comment Period Extension for the Draft Environmental Impact Statement for the South River, Raritan River Basin, Hurricane and Storm Damage Reduction and Ecosystem Restoration Study, Middlesex County, NJ

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

ACTION: Notice; Comment period extension.

SUMMARY: By **Federal Register** notice of June 7, 2002 (67 FR 39366) the New York District of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) announced the availability of the Draft Environmental

Impact Statement (DEIS) for the South River, Raritan River Basin, Hurricane and Storm Damage Reduction and Ecosystem Restoration Study. The purpose of the study is to identify a plan that would protect local communities from damages caused by hurricanes and storms, and restore degraded ecosystem structure and function in the South River watershed.

In response to requests to increase the public notice comment period, the Corps finds it appropriate to extend the comment period for an additional 45 days beyond the 22 July 2002 date previously in effect. All interested parties are notified that the comment period of this public notice is hereby extended until 5 September 2002.

DATES: Written comments should be submitted on or before 5 September 2002.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be submitted to Mark Burlas, Project Wildlife Biologist, Planning Division, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New York District, 26 Federal Plaza, New York, New York 10278-0090.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mark Burlas, Project Wildlife Biologist, Planning Division, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New York District, 26 Federal Plaza, New York, New York, 10278-0090 at (212) 264-4663.

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Army Federal Register Liaison Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army; Corps of Engineers

Intent To Prepare a Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement for the Federal Flood Control Project for Hunting Bayou, Harris County, TX

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

ACTION: Notice of intent.

SUMMARY: The proposed action to be addressed in the Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (SEIS) is the reformulation and implementation of a new flood damage reduction plan for the Hunting Bayou Watershed. The project plan reformulation includes a re-analysis of all engineering, economic, and environmental aspects using Department of the Army criteria and guidelines, as well as local engineering and analytical criteria. These studies are being conducted by the Harris County

Flood Control District (HCFCD), the local sponsor, in partnership with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) as authorized by Section 211 of the Water Resources Development Act (WRDA) of 1996 (Pub. L. 104-303).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Questions about the proposed action and draft SEIS can be answered by Mr. Enrique Villagomez at (409) 766-3173 or by mail at U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, P.O. Box 1229, Galveston, TX 77553-1229.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

1. *Purpose and Need for Action*—An authorized plan (authorized as part of WRDA 1990) exists to resolve many of the flooding problems along the bayou; however, the local sponsor (HCFCD) no longer supports the previously authorized plan because of the magnitude of the impacts identified adjacent to the channel through Herman Brown Park and downstream. HCFCD believes less intrusive options are available that can selectively address the critical areas of flooding. The purpose of the proposed action is to develop an alternative flood damage reduction plan to the plan authorized in WRDA 1990. The need for the proposed action is to reduce flooding along Hunting Bayou in a manner that is less disruptive to the existing environment versus the authorized plan adjacent to the channel through Herman Brown Park and downstream; that is effective, affordable, and sensitive to the aesthetics of the area; and that is compatible with parks located along the bayou.

2. *Alternatives*—The draft SEIS will address a combination of alternative flood reduction plans, including structural and non-structural measures, and the no action alternative. Mitigation measures for any significant adverse effects on the environment will be identified and incorporated into the alternatives in compliance with various federal and state statutes.

3. *Scoping*—A public scoping meeting was held on June 11, 1998, at the Houston Public Library, Kashmere Gardens Branch. The announcement for the scoping meeting was published in the *Houston Chronicle* on May 12 and 27, 1998. Meeting notices were also mailed to 74 elected officials, government agencies, local organizations, civic groups, the media, businesses, and interested citizens. The purpose of the meeting was to invite and encourage members of the public and jurisdictional government agencies to aid in determining the scope of significant issues to be examined in the proposed SEIS for reformulation of the

flood damage reduction plans for the Hunting Bayou Watershed.

4. *Public Involvement During the Project Planning Process*—In addition to the scoping process, several public information meetings have been held to keep the public updated on the studies progress. These meetings consisted of a presentation by HCFCD updating the various activities or plans being considered followed by a question and answer period.

5. Issues that will be addressed in the draft SEIS include potential effects on vegetation and wildlife, water quality, air quality, socioeconomic resources, physical resources, and cultural resources. Other issues may include soils, topography, noise, aesthetics, and recreation.

6. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service will provide the Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act Report.

7. A 45-day review period will be allowed for all interested agencies and individuals to review and comment on the draft SEIS. All interested persons are encouraged to respond to this notice and provide a current address if they wish to be contacted about the draft SEIS.

8. *Availability*—The draft SEIS is scheduled to be available for public review in December 2002.

Carolyn E. Murphy,

Chief, Environmental Section.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army; Corps of Engineers

Intent to Prepare a Draft Environmental Impact Statement, Walla Walla District Aquatic Ecosystem Restoration, Walla Walla River Basin, Oregon and Washington

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

ACTION: Notice of intent.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps), Walla Walla District, intends to prepare, in cooperation with the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation (CTUIR), the project sponsor, a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS). The DEIS will be prepared in conjunction with a study to determine the feasibility of conducting aquatic ecosystem restoration within the Walla Walla River Basin in Oregon and Washington. The Walla Walla River Basin Feasibility Study will concentrate on restoration of fish habitat quality as