

Council address: Pacific Fishery Management Council, 7700 NE Ambassador Place, Suite 200, Portland, OR 97220-1384.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Dan Waldeck, Staff Officer: 503-820-2280.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The purpose of this work session is to review technical components of the EIS for EFH under the Pacific Coast Groundfish Fishery Management Plan. NMFS, in cooperation with the Council, is developing an EIS for EFH under the Pacific Coast Groundfish Fishery Management Plan. As a precursor to the EFH EIS, a risk assessment is being developed. The Council's Ad Hoc Technical Review Committee has facilitated development of the risk assessment process through a series of public meetings. A significant output of the risk assessment is an analytical tool composed of geo-referenced Bayesian Network models designed to assist the Council in developing (and comparing the consequences of) management alternatives related to the EFH EIS. The EFH identification component of the risk assessment model was reviewed by the SSC in February and April 2004. Currently, as the Council prepares for actions related to the EFH EIS, the SSC, in their role of ensuring Council decisions are informed by the best available science, will review the fishing impacts component of the EFH risk assessment process and model. The SSC will report their findings at the June 2004 Council meeting.

Entry to the Alaska Fisheries Science Center requires identification with a photograph (such as a student ID, state drivers license, etc.) A security guard will review the identification and issue a Visitor's Badge valid for the date of the meeting.

Although nonemergency issues not contained in this notice may come before the SSC subcommittees for discussion, those issues may not be the subject of formal action during this meeting. SSC subcommittee action will be restricted to those issues specifically listed in this notice, and any issues arising after publication of this notice that require emergency action under section 305(c) of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, provided the public has been notified of the subcommittees' intent to take final action to address the emergency.

Special Accommodations

The meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other

auxiliary aids should be directed to Ms. Carolyn Porter at 503-820-2280 at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

Dated: May 4, 2004.

Alan D. Risenhoover,
Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Pacific Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: The Pacific Fishery Management Council's (Council) Ad Hoc Groundfish Trawl Individual Quota Enforcement Group (TIQ Enforcement Group) will hold a working meeting which is open to the public.

DATES: The TIQ Enforcement Group working meeting will begin Tuesday, May 25, 2004 at 8:30 a.m. and may go into the evening until business for the day is completed. The meeting will reconvene from 8 a.m. and continue until business for the day is complete on Wednesday, March 26, 2004.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at: NMFS, 501 W. Ocean Blvd., Suite 4200, Long Beach, CA 90802; telephone: (562)980-4050.

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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Jim Seger, Staff Officer (Economist), telephone: (503) 820-2280.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The purpose of the TIQ Enforcement Group meeting is to conduct preliminary scoping on the types of enforcement programs that would be necessary for a groundfish trawl individual fishing quota (IFQ) program and related enforcement needs for information from IFQ and landings tracking and monitoring systems.

Although non-emergency issues not contained in the TIQ Enforcement Group meeting agenda may come before the group for discussion, those issues may not be the subject of formal committee action during these meetings. TIQ Enforcement Group action will be

restricted to those issues specifically listed in this notice and to any issues arising after publication of this notice requiring emergency action under Section 305(c) of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, provided the public has been notified of the group's intent to take final action to address the emergency.

Special Accommodations

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Dated: May 4, 2004.

Alan D. Risenhoover,
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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army

Availability of the Final Environmental Impact Statement for the Digital Multi-Purpose Range Complex at Fort Benning, GA

AGENCY: Department of the Army, DoD.
ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: The Digital Multi-Purpose Range Complex (DMPRC) would provide gunnery training facilities for the Bradley Fighting Vehicle (BFV) and the Abrams M1A1 Tank System (Tank), providing the capability for both active and reserve components to train to required standards under realistic conditions. Fort Benning proposes to construct, operate, and maintain a DMPRC. The DMPRC would provide a state-of-the-art range facility to meet the Army's training needs for soldiers to conduct gunnery courses in a realistic training environment by expanding the Installation's training capacity. The current ranges on Fort Benning do not meet modern gunnery standards and are inadequate to support full gunnery training and qualifications, requiring training to modified standards. The project would include construction of the firing and target area, installation of fiber optics, construction of support facilities, upgrading and construction of associated roadways, installation of utilities to support the site, construction of a helipad, construction of other related equipment and facilities, and operation and maintenance of the DMPRC.

DATES: To be considered in preparation for the Record of Decision (ROD), comments must be received not later than June 7, 2004.

ADDRESSES: Please direct written comments or requests for copies of the Final Environmental Impact statement (FEIS) to Mr. Richard McDowell, Public Affairs Officer, U.S. Army Infantry Center, ATTN: ATZB-PO, Fort Benning, GA 31905-5122 or e-mail to mcdowellr@benning.army.mil. Comments may also be submitted via the Fort Benning Web site: www-benning.army.mil/EMD/dmprcLegal&PublicNotices.htm (where the FEIS is also available for review).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Richard McDowell, Public Affairs Officer, U.S. Army Infantry Center, ATTN: ATZB-PO, Fort Benning, GA 31905-5122, (706) 545-2211, or e-mail to mcdowellr@benning.army.mil.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Fort Benning is the "Home of the Infantry" and conducts training for elements of Mechanized Infantry Division units. Tank and BFV crews must train and qualify at different skill levels (gunnery tables) that are designed to develop and test the proficiency level of individuals, crews, and platoons. Existing facilities at Fort Benning do not currently meet training standards for advanced gunnery qualification. Specifically, the existing range targetry is antiquated; the natural terrain features of Hastings Range hamper training effectiveness and efficiency; the nearness to the Installation boundary restricts training due to noise; and the lack of digital components on the existing range delays the analysis of the training exercise.

The Army proposes to construct, operate, and maintain a DMPRC. The FEIS analyzes the No Action/Status Quo and two action alternatives. The notice of intent to prepare an EIS for the DMPRC included another alternative, Transport to Fort Stewart; however, further analysis determined that this alternative was not reasonable. Alternatives considered in detail in the FEIS are:

1. No Action—Continue to conduct gunnery training on existing ranges on Fort Benning, utilizing existing facilities.

2. Construct, operate and maintain a DMPRC in Training Compartment K21 on Fort Benning. The range dimensions would be approximately 1,500 meters by 4,500 meters and cover about 1,800 acres plus support facilities; however these dimensions would be subject to site-specific design requirements and may be modified. The DMRPC would include a firing and target area with 3

tank trails, numerous stationary and moving targets, trenches and berms, maintenance roads; a helipad; utilities and communication systems; and support facilities on about 25 acres including control and instruction buildings, maintenance and storage buildings. The DMPRC would include a safety zone that is inaccessible during operation of the range.

3. Preferred Alternative—Construct, operate and maintain a DMPRC in Training Compartment D13 on Fort Benning with the same approximate dimensions and facilities as described for Alternative 2.

Both Alternatives 2 and 3 would also include changes in training on other ranges (Cactus, Carmouche, and Hastings) to incorporate the new DMPRC into the training regime.

The DMPRC FEIS includes analyses of the potential environmental consequences, including cumulative impacts that each alternative may have on many environmental and socioeconomic resources or topics, including: Soils and vegetation, water quality, wetlands and streambanks, unique ecological areas, Federally and state listed species, migratory birds, socioeconomic, land use, cultural resources, utilities, noise, air quality, public health and safety, hazardous materials and wastes, and transportation. The findings indicate that the No Action alternative has the fewest potential impacts because no construction is proposed; however, noise concerns would continue and the needed improvement in range facilities would not be achieved. Alternatives 2 and 3 would have some potential adverse impacts to several of the studied resources; however, mitigations to either avoid or reduce those impacts are identified in the FEIS, and both alternatives would result in less noise disturbance from BFV and tank weaponry firing.

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Director, Southeast Region, U.S. Army Installation Management Agency.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board, Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory

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), Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory (INEEL). The Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770) requires that public notice of these meetings be announced in the **Federal Register**.

DATES: Tuesday, May 18, 2004, 8 a.m.–6 p.m. Wednesday, May 19, 2004, 8 a.m.–5 p.m.

Opportunities for public participation will be held Wednesday, May 19, from 11:45 to 12 noon and 3 to 3:15 p.m.

Additional time may be made available for public comment during the presentations.

These times are subject to change as the meeting progresses, depending on the extent of comment offered. Please check with the meeting facilitator to confirm these times.

ADDRESSES: Willard Arts Center, 498 "A" Street, Idaho Falls, ID 83402.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Peggy Hinman, INEEL CAB Administrator, North Wind, Inc., P.O. Box 51174, Idaho Falls, ID 83405, Phone (208) 557-7885, or visit the Board's Internet home page at <http://www.ida.net/users/cab>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Purpose of the Board: The purpose of the Board is to make recommendations to DOE in the areas of future use, cleanup levels, waste disposition and cleanup priorities at the INEEL.

Tentative Agenda

Optional tour providing an overall orientation to the site and an opportunity to visit the Advanced Mixed Waste Treatment Project before it goes radioactive. Please contact Ms. Peggy Hinman, listed above, if you would like to participate.

Tuesday, May 18

8 a.m.—Welcome and Introductions
8:45 a.m.—Welcome to New Members
9:30 a.m.—Orientation to the INEEL SSAB

11:15 a.m.—Agenda Priority Setting for the Next 12 Months

12:15 p.m.—Public Participation
1:30 p.m.—Election of New INEEL Officers

2 p.m.—Agenda Priority Setting for the Next 12 Months (continued)

3 p.m.—Orientation to the INEEL SSAB (continued)

4:15 p.m.—Member and Committee Reports

4:45 p.m.—Orientation to the INEEL SSAB (continued)

5:45 p.m.—Election of New INEEL SSAB officers (continued)

6 p.m.—Adjourn