

technology, and other related enablers of the desired capabilities; assess current S&T investment plans' relevance to the needed operational capabilities and enablers and recommend needed changes to the plans; identify mechanisms to accelerate and assure the transition of technology into U.S. military capabilities; and review and recommend changes as needed, the current processes by which national security objectives and needed operational capabilities are used to develop and prioritize science, technology, and other related enablers, and how those enablers are then developed.

In accordance with section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Public Law 92-463, as amended (5 U.S.C. App. II), it has been determined that these Defense Science Board Task Force meetings concern matters listed in 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(1) and that, accordingly, the meetings will be closed to the public.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: LCDR Clifton Phillips, USN, Defense Science Board, 3140 Defense Pentagon, Room 3C553, Washington, DC 20301-3140, via e-mail at clifton.phillips@osd.mil, or via phone at (703) 571-0083.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Air Force

Notice of Intent To Perform an Environmental Assessment for the Retirement of the F-117A and T-38A Aircraft and Beddown of the F-22A at Holloman Air Force Base, NM

AGENCY: Department of the Air Force, Air Combat Command.

ACTION: Notice of Intent to prepare an Environmental Assessment at Holloman Air Force Base, New Mexico for retirement of the F-117A, and T-38A, and 3rd operational beddown of the F-22A.

SUMMARY: The United States Air Force is issuing this Notice of Intent (NOI) to announce that it is conducting an Environmental Assessment (EA) to determine the potential environmental consequences of a proposal to transform the combat capability of the 49th Fighter Wing and maximize the use of available infrastructure at Holloman AFB by

replacing the retiring F-117A aircraft and T-38A aircraft supporting the F-117A mission with two F-22A squadrons. The Air Force has identified Holloman AFB as the preferred location for the third operational wing of the Air Force's F-22A Raptor, which would enhance the low observable, precision weapons system capability of the 49th Fighter Wing.

The EA for the proposed action will be prepared in compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321-4347), the Council on Environmental Quality NEPA Regulations (40 CFR 1500-1508); and the Air Force's Environmental Impact Analysis Process (EIAP) (Air Force Instruction 32-7061 as promulgated at 32 CFR 989). As part of the proposal, the Air Force will analyze the following actions at Holloman AFB:

- Retire F-117A and T-38A aircraft currently based at Holloman AFB.
- Beddown and operate two F-22A aircraft squadrons.
- Renovate existing facilities and construct new facilities to support the F-22A squadrons.
- Adjust base manning to reflect F-22A beddown requirements
- Conduct F-22A training routinely in airspace within 100 miles of Holloman AFB, to include supersonic operations.
- Expand chaff and flare use in military airspace.

Alternatives meeting the underlying purpose and need of the proposed action, if any, will be developed during the EIAP process. This process includes gathering information from the scoping meetings.

DATES: The Air Force will host public scoping meetings April 17 through 19, 2006 for the general public and government agencies to help determine the scope of issues to be addressed and identify environmental issues to be analyzed in depth. All meetings will be held from 5:30 p.m.-7 p.m.

April 17, 2006, 5:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m.; Town: Ruidoso; Location: Best Western Pine Springs Inn, 1420 West Highway 70, Ruidoso Downs, NM.

April 18, 2006, 5:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m.; Town: Truth or Consequences; Location: Truth or Consequences Civic Center, 400 W 4th Ave., Truth or Consequences, NM.

April 19, 2006, 5:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m.; Town: Alamogordo; Location: Sergeant Willie Estrada Memorial Civic Center, 800 East First Street, Alamogordo, NM.

During these meetings, the Air Force will provide additional information about the proposed retirement of the F-117A and T-38A aircraft and

beddown of the F-22A at Holloman AFB. Public and agency comments presented at the meetings, as well as written comments received by the Air Force during the scoping period and throughout the environmental process, will be considered in the preparation of the EA. These scoping meetings would satisfy the requirement in 32 CFR 989.18 should the AF later determine an EIS is necessary. The Air Force will accept comments at any time during the environmental process. However, to ensure the Air Force has sufficient time to consider public input in the preparation of the Draft EA, comments should be submitted to the address below by May 4, 2006.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Linda A. DeVine, HQ ACC/A7ZP, c/o SAIC, 22 Enterprise Parkway, Suite 200, Hampton, VA 23666, 757-827-2659.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

AGENCY: Department of Education.

SUMMARY: The IC Clearance Official, Regulatory Information Management Services, Office of Management invites comments on the submission for OMB review as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before May 10, 2006.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be addressed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Rachel Potter, Desk Officer, Department of Education, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street, NW., Room 10222, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503 or faxed to (202) 395-6974.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35) requires that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) provide interested Federal agencies and the public an early opportunity to comment on information collection requests. 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