other law for rules concerning public property, loans, grants, benefits, and contracts (5 U.S.C. 553(a)(2)). Because notice and opportunity for comments are not required pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 553 or any other law, the analytical requirements of the Regulatory Flexibility Act (5 U.S.C. 601 et seq.) are inapplicable. Therefore, a regulatory flexibility analysis has not been prepared.


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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE
Office of the Secretary of Defense

Meeting of the DoD Advisory Group on Electron Devices


ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The DoD Advisory Group on Electron Devices (AGED) announces a closed session meeting.

DATES: The meeting will be held at 8:30 a.m. Tuesday, September 5, 2006.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at ITS Noesis Business Unit, 4100 N. Fairfax Drive, Suite 800, Arlington, VA 22203.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Vicki Schneider, ITS Noesis Business Unit, 4100 N. Fairfax Drive, Suite 800, Arlington, VA 22203, 703–741–0300.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The mission of the Advisory Group is to provide advice to the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition, Technology and Logistics to the Director of Defense Research and Engineering (DDR&E), and through the DDR&E to the Director, Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency and the Military Departments in planning and managing an effective and economical research and development program in the area of electron devices.

The AGED meeting will be limited to review of research and development efforts in electronics and photonics with a focus on benefits to national defense. These reviews may form the basis for research and development programs initiated by the Military Departments and Defense Agencies to be conducted by industry, universities or in government laboratories. The agenda for this meeting will include programs on molecular electronics, microelectronics, electro-optics, and electronic materials.

In accordance with Section 10(d) of the Pub. L. 92–463, as amended, (5 U.S.C. App. 2), it has been determined that this Advisory Group meeting concerns matters listed in 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(1), and that accordingly, this meeting will be closed to the public. Due to unforeseen circumstances this announcement does not give the standard 15 day notification.


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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Environmental Impact Statements and Regulations; Availability of EPA Comments

Availability of EPA comments prepared pursuant to the Environmental Review Process (ERP), under section 309 of the Clean Air Act and section 102(2)(c) of the National Environmental Policy Act as amended. Requests for copies of EPA comments can be directed to the Office of Federal Activities at 202–564–7167. An explanation of the ratings assigned to draft environmental impact statements (EISs) was published in the Federal Register dated April 7, 2006 (71 FR 17845).

Draft EISs

EIS No. 20060151, ERP No. D–BLM–K65307–00, Eagle Lake Field Office Project, Resource Management Plan, Implementation, Lassen, Plumas, Sierra Counties, CA and Washoe County, NV. Summary: EPA expressed environmental concerns about impacts to water quality and riparian resources from grazing and off-highway vehicle activities. Rating EC2.

EIS No. 20060253, ERP No. D–AFS–K65311–NV, Jarbidge Ranger District Rangeland Management Project, Authorize Continued Livestock Grazing, Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest, Columbia River, NV. Summary: EPA expressed environmental concerns about impacts to riparian resources and with the use of annual indicators under the proposed action. EPA requested additional information on implementation of these indicators as well as permitted compliance. EPA recommended more specific action be taken to protect stream banks and prevent the spread of noxious weeds. Rating EC2.

EIS No. 20060271, ERP No. D–CGD–A11078–00, Programmatic—Implementation of the U.S. Coast Guard Nationwide Automatic Identification System Project, Providing Vessel Identification, Tracking and Information Exchange Capabilities to Support National Maritime Interests, Summary: EPA does not object to the proposed action Rating LO.

EIS No. 20060275, ERP No. D–AFS–L65517–0R, Maury Mountains Allotment Management Plan, To Implement or Eliminate Livestock Grazing in Six Allotments in the Maury Mountains of the Ochoco National Forest, Prineville, OR. Summary: EPA does not object to the proposed project. Rating LO.

EIS No. 20060276, ERP No. D–FRG–D03032–TX, Calhoun Point Comfort Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) Project, (Docket Nos. CP05–91–000 and CP06–380–00) Construction of New Pipeline on 73 acres, Port of Port Lavaca, Calhoun and Jackson Counties, TX. Summary: EPA does not object to the preferred action. Rating LO.

Final EISs

EIS No. 20060232, ERP No. F–AFS–C65005–NY, Finger Lakes National Forest Project, Proposed Land and Resource Management Plan, Forest Plan Revision, Implementation, Seneca and Schuyler Counties, NY. Summary: EPA’s previous concerns have been resolved; therefore, EPA does not object to the proposed action.

EIS No. 20060251, ERP No. F–USA–L11037–AK, U.S. Army Alaska Battle Area Complex (BAX) and a Combined Arms Collective Training Facility (CCTF), Construction and Operation, Selection of the Preferred Alternative, within U.S. Army Training Lands in Alaska. Summary: EPA recommended that the 409(b)(1) evaluation be included in the Record of Decision.

Summary: EPA’s previous concerns have been resolved; therefore, EPA does not object to the proposed action.


Summary: EPA continues to express concerns about grazing impacts to watersheds and rangeland health. EPA recommended BLM bring all allotments into compliance with the standards and guidelines.


Summary: EPA supports the Management Plan for Gray’s Reef National Marine Sanctuary and therefore has no objection to the proposed action.


Summary: No formal comment letter was sent to the preparing agency.


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