

Carson: BRAC 2005; Integrated Global Presence and Basing Strategy (also known as Global Defense Posture Realignment); and the Army Modular Force initiative. These programs are part of the overall Army restructuring and are needed to prepare the Army's combat forces for deployment around the world.

The Proposed Action evaluated in the Final PCMS Transformation EIS is the Army's preferred alternative to implement the three transformation programs. The Proposed Action includes: (1) Increased use of the PCMS training areas to provide training for approximately 8,500 realigned Active Component (AC) soldiers and additional Reserve Component (RC) soldiers assigned to, or otherwise under the control of, Fort Carson, and (2) construction of facilities in the cantonment and training areas. The Final EIS also evaluates the environmental effects of the current withdrawal and reservation of 2,517.12 acres of public land and 130,139 acres of federally owned minerals within the PCMS borders (as required by Section 2908 of Pub. L. 140-201).

The Proposed Action will provide for increased frequency of training for existing and new units stationed at, or otherwise assigned to Fort Carson. Training and maneuver activities would be similar to the types of activities that presently occur on the PCMS. The increased training requirements of additional AC and RC units, however, will result in increased frequency of use of the training areas. The Army will continue to implement land and environmental management programs and practices to sustain its training lands for continued use.

Support facilities will be constructed in the PCMS cantonment area, including a brigade support complex, medical facilities, storage facilities, minimum soldier support functions, a vehicle maintenance facility, motor pools and upgrade of roads and utilities. Similar to existing facilities at the PCMS, the cantonment facilities constructed under the Proposed Action alternative would be austere. No units will be permanently stationed at the PCMS; therefore, the PCMS will not support long-term soldier care and will have no role in providing permanent support for dependents, civilian contractors, or personnel other than minimal custodial staff. Outside the cantonment, the Army will construct and operate a live hand grenade range, ammunition holding area, protective equipment training facility, and communication facilities, and upgrade an existing small-arms range building. These projects are

necessary to allow the PCMS to certify soldiers for operational deployments.

The Final EIS also evaluated the No Action alternative in accordance with the Council on Environmental Quality and Army NEPA implementing regulations to provide a benchmark against which to compare the magnitude of environmental effects of the Proposed Action. Under the No Action alternative, no additional soldiers would train at the PCMS despite the stationing of significant numbers of additional soldiers at Fort Carson. The Proposed Action's construction would not occur. Existing land and environmental management programs would continue. This alternative is not feasible because restationing at Fort Carson has been directed by BRAC 2005, and soldiers assigned to Fort Carson need to be trained.

Alternatives for the BRAC realignment at Fort Carson were not considered in the Final EIS in accordance with the BRAC Law, which exempts such alternatives from consideration. Other alternatives considered by the Army, but determined not to be feasible, included training troops at other locales, acquiring additional land for training, or varying training schedules to account for operational deployments. These alternatives were determined not to be reasonable because they did not meet the purpose and need of the action or unreasonably restricted the Army's ability to react to changing conditions. Acquisition of additional land was also not considered reasonable, in part, because not enough information about it is currently known.

The Proposed Action has the potential to result in adverse effects to land use, air quality, noise, geology and soils, water resources, biological resources, cultural resources, transportation, utilities, and hazardous and toxic substances. With implementation of mitigation measures and best management practices, none of the impacts would be significant. Minor temporary beneficial effects will occur for socioeconomic resources.

The Proposed Action does not include expansion of the PCMS or land acquisition. The Proposed Action incorporates modifications to training requirements to best meet current training needs. The Army plans to prepare a separate EIS for PCMS land expansion once a proposed action and initial set of alternatives have been developed for that action.

An electronic version of the Final EIS can be viewed or downloaded from the following Web site: <http://www.hqda.army.mil/acsim/brac/>

[nepa\\_eis\\_docs.htm](#). Copies can be requested from the PCMS NEPA Coordinator or viewed at local libraries.

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## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

### Notice of Proposed Information Collection Requests

**AGENCY:** Department of Education.

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

**DATES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before August 20, 2007.

**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 statutory obligations. The Acting Leader, Information Management Case Services Team, Regulatory Information Management Services, Office of Management, publishes that notice containing proposed information collection requests prior to submission of these requests to OMB. 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. OMB 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 the respondents, including through the use of information technology.

Dated: June 14, 2007.

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**Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services**

*Type of Review:* Revision.

*Title:* Special Education—Institutional Reporting on Regulatory Compliance Related to the Personnel Preparation Program Service Obligation.

*Frequency:* On occasion; annually; end of semester.

*Affected Public:*

Not-for-profit institutions; Individuals or household; State, Local, or Tribal Gov't, SEAs or LEAs.

*Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:*

*Responses:* 7,875.

*Burden Hours:* 16,250.

*Abstract:* The data collections under this request are governed by Section 304.1–304.32 of the December 9, 1999 regulations that implement section 673(h) of the IDEA amendments of 1997 which requires that individuals who receive a scholarship through the Personnel Development Program funded under the Act subsequently provide special education and related services to children with disabilities for a period of two years for every year for which assistance was received. Scholarship recipients who do not satisfy the requirements of the regulations must repay all or part of the cost of assistance in accordance with regulations issued by the Secretary. These regulations implement requirements governing among other things, the service obligation for scholars, oversight by grantees, and repayment of scholarship. In order for the Federal government to ensure the goals of the program are achieved, certain data collection, record keeping, and documentation are necessary.

Requests for copies of the proposed information collection request may be accessed from <http://edicsweb.ed.gov>, by selecting the “Browse Pending Collections” link and by clicking on link number 3380. When you access the information collection, click on “Download Attachments” to view.

Written requests for information should be addressed to U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., Potomac Center, 9th Floor, Washington, DC 20202–4700. Requests may also be electronically mailed to [ICDocketMgr@ed.gov](mailto:ICDocketMgr@ed.gov) or faxed to 202–245–6623. Please specify the complete title of the information collection when making your request.

Comments regarding burden and/or the collection activity requirements should be electronically mailed to [ICDocketMgr@ed.gov](mailto:ICDocketMgr@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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**ACTION:** Notice of proposed information collection requests.

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**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 July 19, 2007. A regular clearance process is also beginning. Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before August 20, 2007.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments regarding the emergency review should be addressed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Nicole Cafarella, 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.

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**Office of Postsecondary Education**

*Type of Review:* New.

*Title:* Postsecondary Student Achievement and Institutional Performance Pilot Program.

*Abstract:* This is a new Special Focus Competition, administered by the Fund for the Improvement of Postsecondary Education (FIPSE). This competition will support at least one consortium of institutions of higher education, associations, public and private non-profit organizations and/or states to develop methods and implement mechanisms to systematically measure, assess and report student achievement and institutional performance at the postsecondary level.