

economic zone (EEZ) of the Gulf of Mexico. Each application for a permit must comply with many permit conditions related to record keeping and operation of the facility. These permit conditions will assure the facility has a minimal affect on the environment and on other fishery resources. Compliance with the conditions will be evaluated annually for the duration of the permit as the basis for renewal of the permit for the next year.

The public hearings will begin at 6 p.m. and conclude at the end of public testimony or no later than 10 p.m. at each of the following locations:

*Monday, July 9, 2007*, Doubletree Beach Resort, 17120 Gulf Blvd., N. Redington Beach, FL 33708, telephone: (727) 391-4000;

*Monday, July 9, 2007*, Best Western Cypress Creek, 7921 Lamar Poole Road, Biloxi, MS 39532, telephone: (228) 875-7111;

*Tuesday, July 10, 2007*, City of Orange Beach, Parks & Rec, 27235 Canal Road, Orange Beach, AL 36561, telephone: (251) 981-6028;

*Tuesday, July 10, 2007*, W New Orleans, 333 Poydras St., New Orleans, LA 70130, telephone: (504) 525-9444;

*Wednesday, July 11, 2007*, Embassy Suites Hotel, 570 Scenic Gulf Drive, Destin, FL 32550, telephone: (850) 337-7000;

*Wednesday, July 11, 2007*, San Luis Resort, 5222 Seawall Boulevard, Galveston, TX 77550, telephone: (409) 744-1500;

*Thursday, July 12, 2007*, Best Western Marina Grand, 300 N. Shoreline Blvd., Corpus Christi, TX 78401, telephone: (361) 883-5111.

Copies of the Amendment a can be obtained by calling the Council office at (813) 348-1630.

#### Special Accommodations

These meetings are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Tina Trezza at the Council (see **ADDRESSES**) at least 5 working days prior to the meeting.

Dated: June 18, 2007.

**Tracey L. Thompson,**

*Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### Patent and Trademark Office

#### Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

The United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

*Agency:* United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO).

*Title:* Practitioner Records Maintenance, Disclosure, and Discipline Before the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO).

*Form Number(s):* None.

*Agency Approval Number:* 0651-0017.

*Type of Request:* Extension of a currently approved collection.

*Burden:* 10,402 hours annually.

*Number of Respondents:* 532 responses per year.

*Avg. Hours Per Response:* The USPTO estimates that practitioners spend 26 hours per year keeping and maintaining records concerning their client's cases. The USPTO estimates that practitioners seeking reinstatement to practice before the agency will spend 60 hours per year keeping and maintaining records showing their compliance with the suspension or exclusion orders. It is estimated that it takes 2 hours to report a complaint/violation. These estimates include the time to maintain the records, and to gather the necessary information and prepare the complaint/violation and submit it to the USPTO.

*Needs and Uses:* This information is required by 35 U.S.C. 2(b)(2)(D) and 32, and administered by the USPTO through the USPTO Code of Professional Responsibility (37 CFR 10.20 to 10.112) and the Investigations and Disciplinary Proceedings rules (37 CFR 10.130 to 10.170). This information is used by the Director of the Office of Enrollment and Discipline (OED) to investigate and, where appropriate, prosecute for violations of the USPTO Code of Professional Responsibility. Registered practitioners are mandated to maintain proper documentation so that they can fully cooperate with an investigation in the event of a report of an alleged violation. Additionally, practitioners who have been excluded or suspended from practice before the USPTO must keep and maintain records of their steps to comply with the suspension or exclusion order. These records serve as the practitioner's proof

of compliance with the order. No forms are associated with this information collection.

*Affected Public:* Business or other for-profit.

*Frequency:* On occasion.

*Respondent's Obligation:* Mandatory.

*OMB Desk Officer:* David Rostker, (202) 395-3897.

Copies of the above information collection proposal can be obtained by any of the following:

*E-mail:* Susan.Fawcett@uspto.gov.

Include "0651-0017 copy request" in the subject line of the message.

*Fax:* 571-273-0112, marked to the attention of Susan K. Fawcett.

*Mail:* Susan K. Fawcett, Records Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer, Customer Information Services Group, Public Information Services Division, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent on or before July 23, 2007 to David Rostker, OMB Desk Officer, Room 10202, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503.

Dated: June 15, 2007.

**Susan K. Fawcett,**

*Records Officer, USPTO, Customer Information Services Group, Public Information Services Division.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Department of the Army

#### Notice of Availability of the Record of Decision (ROD) for the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) on Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) Actions at Fort Sam Houston, TX

**AGENCY:** Department of the Army, DoD.

**ACTION:** Record of decision.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of the Army announces the availability of a ROD which documents the potential environmental impacts associated with realignment actions directed by the BRAC Commission at Fort Sam Houston, TX and Camp Bullis, TX.

**ADDRESSES:** For more information or to obtain a copy of the ROD, please contact Mr. Phillip Reidinger, Public Affairs Office, Building 124, 1212 Stanley Road, Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234; e-mail [Phillip.Reidinger@us.army.mil](mailto:Phillip.Reidinger@us.army.mil).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Phillip Reidinger at (210) 221-1151.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The subject of the ROD, EIS and Proposed Action are the construction and renovation activities and movement of personnel associated with the BRAC directed realignment of Fort Sam Houston. The documents also evaluate effects of Army Modular Force (AMF) transformation activities that will occur at Fort Sam Houston at the same time that the BRAC actions are being implemented.

To implement the applicable portions of the BRAC recommendations, Fort Sam Houston will be receiving personnel, equipment, and missions from various realignment and closure actions within the Department of Defense. Additionally, the Army had planned to conduct a series of non-BRAC transformations to position its forces strategically for the future. Additionally, permanent facilities will be constructed or renovated to house the 470th Military Intelligence Brigade and various Headquarters units of the new Army North and Sixth Army that are currently located in a mix of temporary and existing facilities.

To enable implementation of the BRAC Commission recommendations and accommodation of the concurrent Army initiatives, the Army must provide the necessary facilities/buildings and infrastructure to support the changes in force structure.

Following a rigorous examination of all implementation alternatives, those alternatives found not to be viable were dropped from further analysis in the EIS. Alternatives carried forward included (1) The Preferred Alternative and (2) a No Action Alternative. The Preferred Alternative included construction, renovation, and operation of proposed facilities to accommodate incoming military missions at Fort Sam Houston. Minor siting variations of proposed facilities were also evaluated.

Planned undertakings within the National Historical Landmark (NHL) District, including the demolition of existing buildings and construction of new buildings, will be reviewed using the Installation Design Guide historic review requirements and the Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) in the Historic Properties Component (HPC) of the Integrated Cultural Resources Management Plan. If demolition cannot be avoided, the determination of effects to cultural resources of the NHL District and required mitigations will be determined per the HPC SOPs.

The EIS analyses indicated that implementation of the preferred alternative would have no long-term, significant impacts on the other environmental resources of Fort Sam

Houston, Camp Bullis or their surrounding areas. Potential minor impacts to visual resources from implementation of the preferred alternative would generally occur only within the physical boundaries of Fort Sam Houston and Camp Bullis. No long-term significant impacts to geology, topography, caves, karst features, soils or wetlands will occur at either installation. Potential land use impacts are expected at Fort Sam Houston. Use of utilities and generation of hazardous and non-hazardous wastes will likely increase at both installations but not in significant amounts.

Minor air, noise and transportation impacts would also occur during short-term construction activities under the preferred alternative at both installations and continue after final construction and occupancy. No significant impacts to biological resources (vegetation, wildlife, and threatened and endangered species) are expected from the implementation of the preferred alternative. Alternative siting variations would result in similar impacts and benefits as compared to the preferred alternative.

The ROD has considered the results of the analyses presented in the Final EIS and has determined that the EIS adequately addresses the impacts associated with implementation of the Army's proposed action. As a result of this ROD, the Army will proceed with implementation of the Realignment Alternative as presented Final EIS, with all or any of its assessed siting variations, if required to implement the BRAC Commission's recommendations at Fort Sam Houston. In making this decision, a 30-day waiting period for comments on the Final EIS was observed. No new issues that would require modifying or supplementing the EIS were identified. The Fort Sam Houston ROD also takes into consideration transcripts of scoping and Draft EIS public meetings, oral and written comments received during the public comment periods, and provisions of relevant statutes, regulations, and Executive Orders that bear on the installation disposal process and environmental stewardship responsibilities of the Army.

An electronic version of the ROD can be viewed or downloaded from the following Web site: [http://www.hqda.army.mil/acsim/brac/nea\\_eis\\_docs.htm](http://www.hqda.army.mil/acsim/brac/nea_eis_docs.htm).

Dated: June 15, 2007.

**Addison D. Davis, IV**,  
Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Army  
(Environment, Safety and Occupational Health).

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Department of the Navy

#### Notice of Availability of Finding

**AGENCY:** Department of the Navy, DoD.  
**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to section 102(2)(C) of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969 and the Council on Environmental Quality regulations (40 CFR parts 1500-1508), implementing procedural provisions of NEPA, the Department of the Navy (DON) gives notice that a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) has been issued and is available for the Combined Carrier Strike Group Composite Training Unit Exercise/Joint Task Force Exercise that will occur during July and August 2007 (CSG COMPTUEX/JTFEX (Jul/Aug 2007)). In addition, pursuant to Executive Order (EO) 12114, Environmental Effects Abroad of Major Federal Actions, a Finding of No Significant Harm (FONSH) has been issued and is available for Combined CSG COMPTUEX/JTFEX (Jul/Aug 2007).

**DATES:** The effective date of availability is June 21, 2007.

**ADDRESSES:** Electronic copies of the FONSI and FONSH are available for public viewing or downloading at <http://www.navydocuments.com>. Single copies of the FONSI and FONSH may be obtained by written request from: Commander, Naval Facilities Engineering Command Atlantic, 6506 Hampton Boulevard, Norfolk, VA 23508-1278 (ATTN: Code EV 21ES).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Commander, Second Fleet Public Affairs, Commander Phillips 757-443-9822 or visit <http://www.navydocuments.com>.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Combined CSG COMPTUEX/JTFEX (Jul/Aug 2007) is a major Navy Atlantic Fleet training exercise proposed to occur in July and August 2007 in the offshore Virginia Capes, Cherry Point, and Charleston/Jacksonville Operating Areas (OPAREAs) and adjacent military installations. The purpose of this exercise is to certify naval forces as combat-ready. Activities conducted during the exercise include air-to-ground bombing at land ranges, gunnery