

Operational Sharing Efficiencies subcommittee. It will consider matters to be taken up at its next meeting and will receive the final written report formally presenting recommendations adopted at its previous meeting on May 30, 2007. It will also provide an opportunity for public comment on these matters.

**Time and Date:** The meeting will be held on December 6, 2007, from 1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Eastern Standard Time. These times and the agenda topics are subject to change. Please refer to NTIA's web site, <http://www.ntia.doc.gov>, for the most up-to-date meeting agenda.

**Place:** U.S. Department of Commerce, Herbert C. Hoover Building, Room 4830, 1401 Constitution Avenue N.W., Washington, D.C. The meeting will be open to the public and press on a first-come, first-served basis. Space is limited. When arriving for the meeting, attendees must present photo or passport identification or a U.S. Government building pass, if applicable, and should arrive at least one-half hour prior to the start time of the meeting. The meeting will be physically accessible to people with disabilities. Individuals requiring special services, such as sign language interpretation or other ancillary aids are asked to contact Joe Gattuso at (202) 482-0977 or [jgattuso@ntia.doc.gov](mailto:jgattuso@ntia.doc.gov) at least two (2) business days prior to the meeting.

**Status:** Interested parties are invited to attend and to submit written comments. Interested parties are permitted to file written comments with the Committee at any time before or after a meeting. If interested parties wish to submit written comments for consideration by the Committee in advance of this meeting, they should be sent to the above listed address and received by close of business on November 30, 2007 to provide sufficient time for review. Comments received after November 30, 2007, will be distributed to the Committee but may not be reviewed prior to the meeting. It would be helpful if paper submissions also include a three and one-half inch computer diskette in HTML, ASCII, Word or WordPerfect format (please specify version). Diskettes should be labeled with the name and organizational affiliation of the filer, and the name of the word processing program used to create the document. Alternatively, comments may be submitted electronically to [spectrumadvisory@ntia.doc.gov](mailto:spectrumadvisory@ntia.doc.gov). Comments provided via electronic mail may also be submitted in one or more of the formats specified above.

**Records:** NTIA is keeping records of all Committee proceedings. Committee records are available for public inspection at NTIA's office at the address above. Documents including the Committee's charter, membership list, agendas, minutes, and any reports are or will be available on NTIA's Committee web site at <http://www.ntia.doc.gov/advisory/spectrum>.

Dated: November 16, 2007.

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Department of the Army

#### **Notice of Availability of a Record of Decision (ROD) for Base Realignment and Closure Actions and Enhanced Use Lease (EUL) Actions at Fort Meade, MD**

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

**ACTION:** Record of decision.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of the Army announces the availability of a ROD which summarizes the decision for implementing realignment actions as directed by the Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) Commission and Department of Defense (DoD) EUL actions at Fort Meade, Maryland.

**ADDRESSES:** To obtain a copy of the ROD, contact the Public Affairs Office, Fort George G. Meade, 4550 Pershing Hall, Room 120, Fort Meade, MD 20755-5025; e-mail [meade.pao@conus.army.mil](mailto:meade.pao@conus.army.mil).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ms. Melanie Moore, Public Affairs Office, at (301) 677-1361 during normal business hours Monday through Friday.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Army has decided to proceed with implementing the Proposed Action consistent with the analysis in the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) dated August 2007, supporting studies and comments provided during formal comment and review periods. The Proposed Action includes construction and operation of proposed facilities to accommodate incoming military missions at Fort Meade. To implement the BRAC recommendations, Fort Meade will be receiving personnel, equipment, and missions from various closure and realignment actions within the DoD. To implement the BRAC Commission recommendations, the Army will provide the necessary

facilities, buildings, and infrastructure to support incoming military missions and a net gain of about 5,700 personnel as mandated by the 2005 BRAC Commission's recommendations at Fort Meade. In addition, the Army will implement the DoD EUL actions which will include issuing a 50-year lease to a private developer for development of office and administrative buildings for an estimated 10,000 personnel on two parcels of land. In consideration, the developer will develop and construct two 18-hole golf courses on a third parcel of land. The No Action Alternative would not meet the Army's purpose and need for the Proposed Action as the BRAC realignment is required by Congress and needed for Army transformation to be effective.

Special consideration was given to the effect of the Proposed Action on natural resources, cultural resources, and traffic. All practicable means to avoid or minimize environmental harm from the selected alternative have been adopted. The Army will minimize effects on all environmental and socioeconomic resources by implementing best management practices as described in the EIS. Mitigation measures, as described in the ROD, will be implemented (subject to the availability of funding) to minimize, avoid, or compensate for the adverse effects identified in the EIS for water resources, biological resources, and transportation. The EIS also identifies transportation projects that could minimize adverse impacts from implementing the Proposed Action. The ROD describes the approach the Army will take to mitigate traffic concerns.

The ROD determines that implementing the Proposed Action reflects a proper balance between initiatives for protection of the environment, appropriate mitigation, and actions to achieve the Army's requirements.

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

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