evaluated. The letter will also notify interested parties of the public scoping meeting that will be held in the local area. A notice will be sent to the local news media. All interested parties are invited to comment at this time, and anyone interested in the study should request to be included on the mailing list.

A public scoping meeting will be held June 16, 2008, from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the Louisiana State Exhibit Museum Auditorium, 3015 Greenwood Road, Shreveport, LA.

Significant Issues. The tentative list of resources and issues to be evaluated in the EIS includes aquatic resources, recreational and commercial fisheries, wildlife resources, water quality, air quality, threatened or endangered species, recreation resources, and cultural resources. Tentative socioeconomic items to be evaluated in the EIS includes business and industrial activity, tax revenues, population, community and regional growth, transportation, housing, community cohesion, and navigation.

Environmental Consultation and Review. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) will be asked to assist in the documentation of existing conditions, impact analysis of alternatives, and overall study review through the Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act consultation procedures. The FWS would provide a Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act report to be incorporated into the EIS. The draft EIS or a notice of availability will be distributed to all interested agencies, organizations, and individuals.

Estimated Date of Availability. The earliest that the draft EIS is expected to be available is March 31, 2010.

Douglas J. Kamien,
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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army; Corps of Engineers

Economic and Environmental Principles and Guidelines for Water and Related Land Resources Implementation Studies; Initiation of Revision and Request for Suggested Changes

AGENCY: Department of the Army, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, DoD.

ACTION: Request for suggestions and notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: Section 2031 of the Water Resources Development Act of 2007 (Pub. L. 110–114) directs the Secretary of the Army to revise the “Economic and Environmental Principles and Guidelines for Water and Related Land Resources Implementation Studies” dated March 10, 1983 consistent with a number of considerations enumerated in the statute. Upon completion the revision will apply to water resources projects, project reevaluations, or project modifications and project feasibility studies carried out by the Secretary except those commenced prior to the completion of the revised guidance. The Secretary intends to craft the revision in two phases, with the first phase of this revision to address revisions to the 1983 Principles and Standards (Chapter I of the existing Guidelines) and the second phase to address revisions to the Procedures (Chapters II through IV of the 1983 Guidelines). The purpose of this notice is to provide opportunity for interested individuals and organizations to submit suggestions for revising the Principles and Standards. Using that input the Secretary intends for the initial draft of the revision to be prepared in June and released for public comments by July.

DATES: A public meeting to hear recommendations will be held on June 5, 2008. Written suggestions are being accepted now and will be accepted through the end of the public meeting, 5 p.m., June 5, 2008.

ADDRESSES: Suggestions should be submitted in writing to HQ/USACE, Attn: PR&Revision, CECW–ZA, 441 G Street, NW, Washington, DC 20314–1000, by e-mail to: Larry.j.prather@usace.army.mil or FAX: 202–761–5649.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Larry J. Prather, Assistant Director of Civil Works, at 202–761–0106.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 2031 of the Water Resources Development Act of 2007 (Pub. L. 110–114) directs the Secretary of the Army to revise the “Economic and Environmental Principles and Guidelines for Water and Related Land Resources Implementation Studies”, dated March 10, 1983 and when completed to apply the revision to planning studies of water resources projects within his jurisdiction. The Secretary is initiating the first phase of this revision to include the 1983 Principles and Standards (Chapter I of the Guidelines), Revision of Chapters II through IV of the Guidelines will be initiated at a later date. The Secretary requests interested individuals and organizations to submit suggestions for revision of the 1983 Principles and Standards. In view of subparagraph (b)(5)(A)(ii) of Section 2031 of the Public Law 110–114, the Secretary requests that each suggested revision be accompanied by a statement of the intent of the revision. Written suggestions (by mail, fax, or e-mail) are preferred and should be submitted to (see ADDRESSES).

In addition, the Assistant Secretary of the Army (Civil Works) and staff of the United States Army Corps of Engineers will hold a public meeting to hear suggestions for proposed revisions on June 5, 2008 in the Atrium Ballroom; Washington Court Hotel; 525 New Jersey Avenue, NW; Washington, DC from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Those wishing to make oral suggestions and ask questions are encouraged to attend this meeting but written suggestions will be appreciated even if an interested party wishes to provide suggestions orally. To facilitate oral suggestions for revision, the time available for making oral suggestions will be divided among those wishing to speak by a random drawing. To accommodate those who may be able to participate for only part of the day, one drawing will be held at the start of the meeting for the morning time blocks and another at about 1 p.m. for the afternoon time slots.


Brenda S. Bowen,
Army Federal Register Liaison Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Navy

Notice of Closed Meetings of the Naval Research Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Department of the Navy, DoD.

ACTION: Notice.
SUMMARY: The Naval Research Advisory Committee (NRAC) will meet to discuss classified information from government organizations and proprietary information from commercial organizations. With the exception of participants’ registration and introduction/welcoming remarks on Monday, June 16, 2008, all sessions of the meeting will be devoted to briefings, discussions and technical examination of information related to the study of undersea maritime domain awareness technologies and disruptive commercial technologies to U.S. Navy and U.S. Marine combat operations. Discussions will focus on the exploitation of physical vulnerabilities and the tactical applications of known and emerging technologies. Each session will examine vulnerabilities of individuals and systems, and how the enemy is exploiting these vulnerabilities.

The sessions will also include proprietary information regarding technology applications and systems under development in the private sector between competing companies. The sessions will also focus on the assessment of the emerging concepts of operations in each of these areas and evaluate appropriate options in such areas as: training, S&T funding allocation, technology monitoring, and progress assessments; and probable time frames for transformation and implementation.

The sessions will also identify, review, and assess challenges with the utilization and fielding of various technology applications.

DATES: With the exception of the registration session from 8 a.m. to 9 a.m., the introduction/welcoming remarks session from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m., and the lunch session from 12 p.m. to 1 p.m. on Monday, June 16, 2008, all remaining sessions on June 16, 2008 from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. will be closed to the public. In addition, all the sessions for the meetings to be held on Tuesday, June 17, 2008 through Friday, June 20, 2008, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and Monday, June 23, 2008, through Thursday, June 26, 2008, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. will be closed to the public.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Space and Naval Warfare Systems Center, 53560 Hull Street, San Diego, CA 92152.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. William H. Ellis, Jr., Program Director, Naval Research Advisory Committee, 875 North Randolph Street, Arlington, VA 22203–1935, 703–696–5775.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This notice is provided in accordance with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. App. 2). With the exception of participants’ registration and introduction/welcoming remarks on Monday, June 16, 2008 all sessions of the meeting will be devoted to executive sessions that will include discussions and technical examination of information related to undersea domain awareness and disruptive commercial technologies to U.S. Navy and U.S. Marine Corps combat operations.

These briefings and discussions will contain proprietary information and classified information that is specifically authorized under criteria established by Executive Order to be kept Secret in the interest of national defense and are in fact properly classified pursuant to such Executive Order and SECNAV Instructions M–5510.36 of June 2006.

The proprietary, classified and non-classified matters to be discussed are so inextricably intertwined as to preclude opening these sessions of the meeting. In accordance with 5 U.S.C. App. 2, section 10(d), the Secretary of the Navy has determined in writing that the public interest requires that these sessions of the meeting be closed to the public because they will be concerned with matters listed in 5 U.S.C. section 552b(c)(1), (4) and SECNAV Instructions M–5510.36 of June 2006.

Dated: May 2, 2008.

T.M. Cruz.

Lieutenant, Office of the Judge Advocate General, U.S. Navy, Federal Register Liaison Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. IC08–603–001, FERC–603]

Commission Information Collection Activities, Proposed Collection; Comment Request; Submitted for OMB Review

May 1, 2008.

AGENCY: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the requirements of section 3507 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. 3507, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) has submitted the information collection described below to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review of this information collection requirement. Any interested person may file comments directly with OMB and should address a copy of those comments to the Commission as explained below. The Commission received no comments in response to an earlier Federal Register notice of February 7, 2008 (73 FR 8651–52) and has made this notation in its submission to OMB.

DATES: Comments on the collection of information are due by June 6, 2008.

ADDRESSES: Address comments on the collection of information to the Office of Management and Budget, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission Desk Officer. Comments to OMB should be filed electronically, c/o oira_submission@omb.eop.gov and include the OMB Control No. as a point of reference. The Desk Officer may be reached by telephone at 202–395–4650. A copy of the comments should also be sent to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Office of the Executive Director, ED–34, Attention: Michael Miller, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426. Comments may be filed either in paper format or electronically. Those persons filing electronically do not need to make a paper filing. For paper filings, such comments should be submitted to the Office of the Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426 and should refer to Docket No. IC08–603–001.

Documents filed electronically via the Internet must be prepared in the acceptable filing format and in compliance with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission’s submission guidelines. Complete filing instructions and acceptable filing formats are available at (http://www.ferc.gov/help/submission-guide/electronic-media.asp). To file the document electronically, access the Commission’s Web site at http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling.asp, and then follow the instructions for each screen. First time users will have to establish a user name and password. The Commission will send an automatic acknowledgement to the sender’s e-mail address upon receipt of comments.

All comments may be viewed, printed or downloaded remotely via the Internet through FERC’s homepage using the eLibrary link. For user assistance, contact ferconlinesupport@ferc.gov or toll-free at (866) 208–3675 or for TTY, contact (202) 502–8659.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Michael Miller may be reached by