

Subcontracts at or below the simplified acquisition threshold are excluded from the requirements of paragraph (f) of the clause.

The clause at DFARS 252.247-7024, Notification of Transportation of Supplies by Sea, is prescribed at DFARS 247.574(c) for use in all contracts, for which the offeror represented, by completion of the provision at DFARS 252.247-7022, that it did not anticipate transporting any supplies by sea in performance of the contract. Paragraph (a) of the clause requires the contractor to notify the contracting officer if the contractor learns after award of the contract that supplies will be transported by sea.

The clause at DFARS 252.247-7026, Evaluation Preference for Use of Domestic Shipyards—Applicable to Acquisition of Carriage by Vessel for DoD Cargo in the Coastwise or Noncontiguous Trade, is prescribed at DFARS 247.574(e) in solicitations that require a covered vessel for carriage of cargo for DoD. Paragraph (c) of the clause requires the offeror to provide information with its offer, addressing all covered vessels for which overhaul, repair, and maintenance work has been performed during the period covering the current calendar year, up to the date of proposal submission, and the preceding four calendar years.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Defense Acquisition Regulations System

Information Collection Requirement; Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; DFARS Appendix F, Material Inspection and Receiving Report (OMB Control Number 0704-0248)

AGENCY: Defense Acquisition Regulations System, Department of Defense (DoD).

ACTION: Notice and request for comments regarding a proposed extension of an approved information collection requirement.

SUMMARY: In compliance with section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. chapter 35), DoD announces the proposed extension of a public information collection requirement and seeks public comment on the provisions

thereof. DoD invites comments on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of DoD, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the information collection on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) has approved this information collection requirement for use through April 30, 2011. DoD proposes that OMB extend its approval for three additional years.

DATES: DoD will consider all comments received by January 4, 2011.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, identified by OMB Control Number 0704-0248, using any of the following methods:

- *Regulations.gov:* <http://www.regulations.gov>. Submit comments via the Federal eRulemaking portal by inputting “OMB Control Number 0704-0248” under the heading “Enter keyword or ID” and selecting “Search.” Select the link “Submit a Comment” that corresponds with “OMB Control Number 0704-0248”. Follow the instructions provided at the “Submit a Comment” screen. Please include your name, company name (if any), and “OMB Control Number 0704-0248” on your attached document.

- *E-mail:* dfars@osd.mil. Include OMB Control Number 0704-0248 in the subject line of the message.

- *Fax:* 703-602-0350.

- *Mail:* Defense Acquisition Regulations System, Attn: Ms. Mary Overstreet, OUSD(AT&L)DPAP(DARS), 3060 Defense Pentagon, Room 3B855, Washington, DC 20301-3060.

Comments received generally will be posted without change to <http://www.regulations.gov>, including any personal information provided. To confirm receipt of your comment, please check <http://www.regulations.gov> approximately two to three days after submission to verify posting, except allow 30 days for posting of comments submitted by mail.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Mary Overstreet, 703-602-0311. The information collection requirements addressed in this notice are available on the World Wide Web at: <http://www.regulations.gov>.

Paper copies are available from Ms. Mary Overstreet,

OUSD(AT&L)DPAP(DARS), 3060 Defense Pentagon, Room 3B855, Washington, DC 20301-3060.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title and OMB Number: Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS) Appendix F, Material Inspection and Receiving Report; DD Form 250, DD Form 250c, DD form 250-1; OMB Control Number 0704-0248.

Needs and Uses: The collection of this information is necessary to process the shipping and receipt of materials and payment to contractors under DoD contracts.

Affected Public: Businesses or other for-profit and not-for-profit institutions.

Annual Burden Hours: 166,528.

Number of Respondents: 21,220.

Responses per Respondent: Approximately 190.

Annual Responses: 4,036,000.

Average Burden per Response: About 2.5 minutes.

Frequency: On occasion.

Summary of Information Collection

This information collection includes the requirements of DFARS Appendix F, Material Inspection and Receiving Report; the related clause at DFARS 252.246-7000, Material Inspection and Receiving Report; and DD Forms 250, 250c, and 250-1. The clause at DFARS 252.246-7000 is used in contracts that require separate and distinct deliverables. The clause requires the contractor to prepare and furnish to the Government a material inspection and receiving report (DD Form 250) in a manner and to the extent required by DFARS Appendix F. The contractor submits the information by using the Wide Area WorkFlow electronic form. The information is required for material inspection and acceptance, shipping, and payment.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

Notice of Availability of a Draft Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement (PEIS) for the Growth, Realignment, and Stationing of Army Aviation Assets

AGENCY: Department of the Army, DoD.

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Army announces the availability of the Draft

PEIS for the proposed growth, realignment, and stationing of new and existing Army aviation assets. The proposed action includes the consolidation and reorganization of existing aviation units, and the potential establishment of one or more Combat Aviation Brigades (CABs). The proposed action will increase the availability of helicopter assets to meet current and future national security requirements and will allow the Army better to organize existing aviation assets to promote more effective training and force management. The Draft PEIS evaluates the environmental impacts associated with the proposed action, which also includes the construction and renovation of garrison facilities, as well as additional training needed to support the aviation units. Land acquisition is not being considered as part of this action.

The Draft PEIS considers the following alternatives: Alternative 1—Realign and Station Existing Aviation Elements of Up to a Full CAB or Activate and Station a New CAB at Fort Carson, Colorado. Under this alternative, the Army either will consolidate existing aviation units not currently assigned to a CAB into a standard CAB structure at Fort Carson or activate a new CAB at Fort Carson. As part of this alternative, aviation units will conduct training on existing land at Pinon Canyon Maneuver Site (PCMS), Colorado, in order to maintain training proficiency and support integrated training with ground units. Land acquisition is not being considered as part of this action. Alternative 2—Realign and Station Existing Aviation elements of Up to a Full CAB or Grow, Station and Activate a CAB at Joint Base Lewis-McChord (JBLM) Washington. Under this alternative, the Army either will consolidate existing aviation units not currently assigned to a CAB into a standard CAB structure at JBLM or activate a new CAB at JBLM. As part of this alternative, aviation units will conduct training on existing training land at Yakima Training Center (YTC), Washington, in order to maintain training proficiency and support integrated training with ground units. Land acquisition is not being considered as part of this action. Alternative 3—Implement Alternatives 1 and 2 (preferred alternative). Under this alternative, the Army will implement both alternatives. Under this alternative, the consolidated units forming a CAB would be stationed at one installation, and the new CAB would be activated and stationed at the other installation. Fort Carson and JBLM would each gain

up to one CAB. As part of this alternative, aviation units would conduct training on existing training land at the installation's training maneuver area (PCMS for Fort Carson and YTC for JBLM) in order to maintain training proficiency and support integrated training with ground units. Alternative 4—No Action Alternative. Under this alternative, the Army would retain its aviation force structure at its current levels, configurations, and locations.

Fort Carson and JBLM are the only stationing alternatives that meet all of the Army's stationing requirements for new CAB stationing. These locations have existing runways and airfields, provide adequate maneuver and airspace for CAB operations, and are equipped with existing training ranges that can support CAB training. Most importantly, Fort Carson and JBLM are the only major installations that have three or more Brigade Combat Teams but no CAB dedicated to provide aviation support for training. The proposed action would allow the Army to maximize integrated air-ground training. Land acquisition is not being considered as part of this action.

DATES: The public comment period will end 45 days after the publication of a notice of availability in the **Federal Register** by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

ADDRESSES: Written comments may be sent to: Public Affairs Office, U.S. Army Environmental Command, Attention: IMPA-AE, 1835 Army Boulevard, Basement (Building 2000), Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234-2686.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Public Affairs Office at (210) 221-0882; fax (410) 436-1693; or e-mail at APGR-USAECNEPA@conus.army.mil.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: A CAB consists of approximately 120 helicopters, 600 wheeled vehicles, and 2,700 Soldiers. The CAB is organized into five battalions and a headquarters unit. CAB units include combat, reconnaissance, and logistics support aircraft.

The Draft PEIS assesses, considers, and compares the direct, indirect, and cumulative environmental effects of proposed CAB growth and realignment for each alternative. The primary environmental issues evaluated include impacts to air quality, soil, airspace, cultural resources, natural resources, and noise. In addition, the Army considers those issues identified by the public and other organizations during the public scoping period (10 September–10 October 2010).

Environmental impacts associated with the implementation of the proposed action include significant impacts to transportation on the Interstate 5 corridor near JBLM and to fish and water quality in Puget Sound. There are potentially significant impacts to biological resources at YTC from increased potential for wildfire and habitat degradation associated with aviation training. Impacts will also include significant but mitigable impacts to soils at Fort Carson, PCMS, and YTC as well as significant but mitigable impacts to water resources at YTC. At PCMS, cumulative impacts to soils are predicted to be manageable with current dust control mitigation techniques. Impacts to cultural resources, air quality, noise impacts, public land use, and socioeconomic impacts were all determined to be less than significant.

Members of the public, including native communities and federally recognized Native American Tribes, and Federal, State, and local agencies are invited to submit written comments on environmental issues, concerns and opportunities analyzed in the Draft PEIS.

A copy of the Draft PEIS is available at <http://aec.army.mil/usaec/nepa/topics00.html>.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army

Record of Decision (ROD) for Training Range and Garrison Support Facilities Construction and Operation at Fort Stewart, GA

AGENCY: Department of the Army, DoD.

ACTION: Record of Decision.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Army announces the availability of the ROD for the construction and operation of up to twelve range projects and two garrison support facilities at Fort Stewart. The Army, through the ROD, selects Alternative B for implementation. Alternative B includes sites for projects that predominantly utilize footprints of existing ranges, limits construction and restrictions on existing maneuver terrain, are located in relative close proximity to the cantonment area to reduce unit transit