

**DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE****Office of the Secretary**

[Docket ID: DOD-2009-OS-0170]

**Proposed Collection; Comment Request**

**AGENCY:** Office of the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), DoD.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness) announces a proposed public information collection and seeks public comment on the provisions thereof. Comments are invited on: Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; the accuracy of the agency's estimate of burden of the proposed information collection; ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and ways to minimize the burden of the information collection on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

**DATES:** Consideration will be given to all comments received by March 26, 2012.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments, identified by docket number and title, by any of the following methods:

*Federal eRulemaking Portal:* <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

*Mail:* Federal Docket Management System Office, 4800 Mark Center Drive, 2nd Floor, East Tower, Suite 02G09, Alexandria, VA 22350-3100.

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**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** To request more information on this proposed information collection or to obtain a copy of the proposal and associated collection instruments, please write to the Defense Manpower Data Center (DMDC), 1600 Wilson Boulevard, Suite 400, Arlington, VA 22209-2593, or call at 571-372-1102.

*Title, Associated Form, and OMB Control Number:* Department of Defense National Survey of Employers.

*Needs and Uses:* The Department of Defense National Survey of Employers is designed to determine ways of supporting employers when Guard and Reserve employees are absent due to military duties, determine general attitudes toward Guard and Reserve employees and their contributions to employers, and examine knowledge of and compliance with Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act.

*Affected Public:* Business or other for-profit; Not-for-profit institutions; Federal Government; State, local or tribal government.

*Annual Burden Hours:* 125,000 hours.

*Number of Respondents:* 250,000.

*Responses per Respondent:* 1.

*Average Burden per Response:* 30 minutes.

*Frequency:* One time.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:****Summary of Information Collection**

The Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act (USERRA) requires that persons who serve or have served in the Armed Forces, Reserves, National Guard or other "uniformed services:" (1) Are not disadvantaged in their civilian careers because of their service; (2) are promptly reemployed in their civilian jobs upon their return from duty; and (3) are not discriminated against in employment based on past, present, or future military service. The Act covers members of the Uniformed Services, any other category of persons designated by the President in time of war or national emergency, and their government and civilian employers. It is the responsibility of the Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve (ESGR) to promote cooperation and understanding between Reserve component members and their civilian employers and to assist in the resolution of conflicts arising from an employee's military commitment. The Department of Defense National Survey of Employers is being conducted on a statistically random basis to determine best practices of ESGR in supporting employers of Reserve and Guard members and to evaluate the effectiveness of ESGR and DoD programs. The information collected is used for overall program evaluation, management and improvement.

Dated: January 31, 2012.

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**DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE****Office of the Secretary**

[Docket ID DOD-2008-OS-0043]

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**ACTION:** Notice.

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**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** To request more information on this proposed information collection or to obtain a copy of the proposal and associated collection instruments, please write to the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness) (Military Personnel Policy/ Accession Policy), 4000 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301-4000 or call at (703) 697-9271.

*Title and OMB Control Number:* Utility of Test Preparation Guides and Education Programs in Enhancing Recruit Candidate Performance on the Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB), OMB Number 0704-0450.

*Needs and Uses:* The 2007 National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA), section 546, directs the Secretary of Defense to conduct a test of the utility of test preparation guides in enhancing recruit candidate performance on the Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB). The ASVAB is a cognitive ability test used to select and classify applicants for enlistment into the U.S. military. This information data collection is needed to meet the following objectives, as stated in the NDAA, to examine: The degree to which test preparation assistance degrades test reliability and accuracy, the degree to which test preparation assistance allows more accurate testing of skill aptitudes and mental capability, and to recommend a role for test preparation assistance in military recruiting.

*Affected Public:* Individuals or households.

*Annual Burden Hours:* 33,350.

*Number of Respondents:* 145,000.

*Responses per Respondent:* 1 or 2.

*Average Burden per Response:* 12 minutes.

*Frequency:* On occasion.

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

##### **Summary of Information Collection**

The 2007 National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA), section 546, directs the Secretary of Defense to conduct a test of the utility of test preparation guides in enhancing recruit candidate performance on the Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB). The instrument used to collect the information is the ASVAB Preparation Questionnaire, which covers: (a) ASVAB test taking history, (b) ASVAB preparation behaviors, (c) academic history, and (d) language spoken and education level of parents. The potential respondent universe consists of all military applicants who complete the ASVAB when taken at Military Entrance Processing Stations (MEPS) and Military Entrance Testing

Sites (METS). The questionnaire will be administered immediately after the applicant completes the ASVAB. Computer administration will be used in the MEPS and paper and pencil in the METS. The information collected will be used for program planning, and to compile the congressionally-mandated report.

Dated: January 12, 2012.

**Patricia L. Toppings,**

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

##### **Office of the Secretary**

**[Docket ID: DoD-2010-OS-0128]**

##### **Proposed Collection; Comment Request**

**AGENCY:** Department of Defense, Office of the Deputy Under Secretary of Defense (Installations and Environment).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Office of the Deputy Under Secretary of Defense (Installations and Environment) announces a proposed public information collection and seeks public comment on the provisions thereof. Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's 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 through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

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**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** To request more information on this proposed information collection or to obtain a copy of the proposal and associated collection instruments, please write to the Office of the Deputy Under Secretary of Defense (Installations & Environment), 3400 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301-3400, or call (703) 695-6107.

*Title; Associated Form; and OMB Number:* Technical Assistance for Public Participation (TAPP) Application, DD Form 2749, OMB Control Number 0704-0392.

*Needs and Uses:* The collection of information is necessary to identify products or services requested by community members of restoration advisory boards or technical review committees to aid in their participation in the Department of Defense's environmental restoration program, and to meet Congressional reporting requirements.

*Affected Public:* Not-for-profit institutions.

*Annual Burden Hours:* 200.

*Number of Respondents:* 50.

*Responses per Respondent:* 1.

*Average Burden per Response:* 4 hours.

*Frequency:* On occasion.

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

##### **Summary of Information Collection**

Respondents are community members of restoration advisory boards or technical review committees requesting technical assistance to interpret scientific and engineering issues regarding the nature of environmental hazards at an installation. This assistance will assist communities in participating in the cleanup process. The information, directed by 10 U.S.C. 2705, will be used to determine the eligibility of the proposed project, begin the procurement process to obtain the requested products or services, and determine the satisfaction of community members of restoration advisory boards and technical review communities receiving the products and services.