

**ACTION:** Notice of intent.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Vicksburg District, hereby gives notice of its intent to prepare a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) assessing the reasonably foreseeable environmental impact of a proposal to restore the aquatic ecosystem of the Quiver River, a component of the Big Sunflower River watershed in the Mississippi Delta Region of northwest Mississippi. Aquatic ecosystem restoration is proposed as a means to ameliorate the condition of the Quiver River and of the Big Sunflower River watershed.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Questions or comments may be submitted to Mr. Brian LaBarre, U.S. Army Engineer District, Vicksburg, CEMVN-PDN-UDP, 4155 Clay Street, Vicksburg, MS 39183-3435; (601) 631-5437 (voice) or (601) 631-5115 (fax); [brian.e.labarre@usace.army.mil](mailto:brian.e.labarre@usace.army.mil).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** *Proposed Action.* The Corps of Engineers, as per the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*) and NEPA regulations of the Council on Environmental Quality (40 CFR part 1500 *et seq.*) and Corps of Engineers (33 CFR part 230), proposes, in cooperation with the Yazoo-Mississippi Delta Joint Water Management District, as a non-Federal sponsor, to restore the aquatic ecosystem of the Quiver River, for wildlife habitat and related purposes.

*Alternatives.* The DEIS will identify and evaluate impacts associated with constructing and with operation and maintenance activity related to restoring the aquatic ecosystem of the Quiver River, examining structural and nonstructural alternatives to increase stream flow, improve water quality, and expand habitat.

*Scoping Process. Public Involvement.* Scoping is the method by which the Corps of Engineers involves the public, Federal, and state resource agencies; Indian tribes; and other interested parties in identifying the environmental issues to be examined and in establishing a range of alternatives to be evaluated. All are invited to participate in the scoping process by attending the public information meeting to be held October 24, 2012, by submitting comments on the proposed action or DEIS, or both.

*Environmental Impact.* A tentative list of resources and issues that may be evaluated in the DEIS includes aquatic resources, recreational and commercial fisheries, wildlife resources, water quality, air quality, threatened or endangered species, recreation

resources, and cultural resources. Tentative socio-economic considerations that may be evaluated in the DEIS include business and industrial activity, tax revenue, population growth, community and regional development, transportation, housing, community cohesion, and navigation.

*Scoping Meeting.* A public information meeting will be held October 24, 2012, from 5 to 8:30 p.m., at the Mississippi Delta Community College Capps Technology Center, 920 HWY 82, West Indianola, MS 38751.

*Estimated Date of Availability of a DEIS.* September 2014.

Dated: September 18, 2012.

**Barbara Petersen,**

*Acting Chief, Programs and Project Management Division.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY****Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board, Northern New Mexico**

**AGENCY:** Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Notice of open meeting.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces a combined meeting of the Environmental Monitoring, Surveillance and Remediation Committee and Waste Management Committee of the Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board (EM SSAB), Northern New Mexico (known locally as the Northern New Mexico Citizens' Advisory Board [NNMCAB]). The Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770) requires that public notice of this meeting be announced in the **Federal Register**.

**DATES:** Wednesday, October 17, 2012, 2 p.m.–4 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** NNMCAB Conference Room, 94 Cities of Gold Road, Pojoaque, NM 87506.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Menice Santistevan, Northern New Mexico Citizens' Advisory Board, 94 Cities of Gold Road, Santa Fe, NM 87506. Phone (505) 995-0393; Fax (505) 989-1752 or Email: [msantistevan@doeal.gov](mailto:msantistevan@doeal.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Purpose of the Board:* The purpose of the Board is to make recommendations to DOE-EM and site management in the areas of environmental restoration, waste management, and related activities.

*Purpose of the Environmental Monitoring, Surveillance and Remediation Committee (EMS&R):* The EMS&R Committee provides a citizens' perspective to NNMCAB on current and future environmental remediation activities resulting from historical Los Alamos National Laboratory operations and, in particular, issues pertaining to groundwater, surface water and work required under the New Mexico Environment Department Order on Consent. The EMS&R Committee will keep abreast of DOE-EM and site programs and plans. The committee will work with the NNMCAB to provide assistance in determining priorities and the best use of limited funds and time. Formal recommendations will be proposed when needed and, after consideration and approval by the full NNMCAB, may be sent to DOE-EM for action.

*Purpose of the Waste Management (WM) Committee:* The WM Committee reviews policies, practices and procedures, existing and proposed, so as to provide recommendations, advice, suggestions and opinions to the NNMCAB regarding waste management operations at the Los Alamos site.

**Tentative Agenda**

1. Approval of Agenda
2. Approval of Minutes of September 12, 2012
3. Update from Executive Committee—Carlos Valdez
4. Update from DOE—Ed Worth, Deputy Designated Federal Officer
5. Election of Officers for Fiscal Year 2013
  - Election of Chair and Vice Chair for WM Committee
  - Election of Chair and Vice Chair for EMS&R Committee
6. 2:45 p.m. Presentation on Environmental Cleanup at Los Alamos National Laboratory
7. 3:45 p.m. Public Comment Period
8. 4 p.m. Adjourn

*Public Participation:* The NNMCAB's EMS&R and WM Committees welcome the attendance of the public at their combined committee meeting and will make every effort to accommodate persons with physical disabilities or special needs. If you require special accommodations due to a disability, please contact Menice Santistevan at least seven days in advance of the meeting at the telephone number listed above. Written statements may be filed with the Committees either before or after the meeting. Individuals who wish to make oral statements pertaining to agenda items should contact Menice Santistevan at the address or telephone number listed above. Requests must be

received five days prior to the meeting and reasonable provision will be made to include the presentation in the agenda. The Deputy Designated Federal Officer is empowered to conduct the meeting in a fashion that will facilitate the orderly conduct of business. Individuals wishing to make public comments will be provided a maximum of five minutes to present their comments.

**Minutes:** Minutes will be available by writing or calling Menice Santistevan at the address or phone number listed above. Minutes and other Board documents are on the Internet at: <http://www.nnmcab.energy.gov/>.

Issued at Washington, DC, on September 19, 2012.

**LaTanya R. Butler,**

*Acting Deputy Committee Management Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Unconventional Resources Technology Advisory Committee

**AGENCY:** Office of Fossil Energy, Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Notice of open meeting.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces a meeting of the Unconventional Resources Technology Advisory Committee. The Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770) requires that public notice of this meeting be announced in the **Federal Register**.

**DATES:** Wednesday, October 24, 2012, 1 p.m.–5 p.m. (CDT) and Thursday, October 25, 2012, 8 a.m.–5 p.m. (CDT).

**ADDRESSES:** Hyatt North Houston, 425 North Sam Houston Parkway East, Houston, Texas 77060.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Elena Melchert, U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Oil and Natural Gas, 1000 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20585. Phone: (202) 586-5600.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** *Purpose of the Committee:* The purpose of the Unconventional Resources Technology Advisory Committee is to provide advice on development and implementation of programs related to onshore unconventional natural gas and other petroleum resources to the Secretary of Energy; and provide comments and recommendations and priorities for the Department of Energy Annual Plan per requirements of the

Energy Policy Act of 2005, Title IX, Subtitle J, Section 999D.

*Tentative Agenda:*

*October 24, 2012*

12:30 p.m. Registration  
1 p.m. Welcome & Introductions, Opening Remarks, Discussion of Subcommittee Reports and Findings regarding the *Draft 2013 Annual Plan*  
4:45 p.m. Public Comments, if any  
5 p.m. Adjourn

*October 25, 2012*

7:30 a.m. Registration  
8 a.m. Discussion of Subcommittee Recommendations regarding the *Draft 2013 Annual Plan* (continued)  
Noon Break for Working Lunch  
1 p.m. Discussion of Subcommittee Recommendations regarding the *Draft 2013 Annual Plan* (continued)  
Appoint Editing Committee  
5 p.m. Adjourn.

*Public Participation:* The meeting is open to the public. The Designated Federal Officer and the Chairman of the Committee will lead the meeting for the orderly conduct of business. If you would like to file a written statement with the Committee, you may do so either before or after the meeting. If you would like to make oral statements regarding any of the items on the agenda, you should contact Elena Melchert at the telephone number listed above. You must make your request for an oral statement at least three business days prior to the meeting, and reasonable provisions will be made to include all who wish to speak. Public comment will follow the three minute rule.

*Minutes:* The minutes of this meeting will be available for public review and copying within 60 days at the following Web site: <http://www.fossil.energy.gov/programs/oilgas/advisorycommittees/UnconventionalResources.html>.

Issued at Washington, DC, on September 20, 2012.

**LaTanya Butler,**

*Acting Deputy Committee Management Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Ultra-Deepwater Advisory Committee

**AGENCY:** Office of Fossil Energy, Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Notice of open meeting.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces a meeting of the Ultra-Deepwater

Advisory Committee. The Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770) requires that public notice of this meeting be announced in the **Federal Register**.

**DATES:** Tuesday, October 23, 2012, 8 a.m.–5 p.m. (CDT) and Wednesday, October 24, 2012, 8 a.m.–12 p.m. (CDT).

**ADDRESSES:** Hyatt North Houston, 425 North Sam Houston Parkway East, Houston, Texas 77060.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Elena Melchert, U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Oil and Natural Gas, 1000 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20585. Phone: (202) 586-5600.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Purpose of the Committee:* The purpose of the Ultra-Deepwater Advisory Committee is to provide advice on development and implementation of programs related to ultra-deepwater architecture and technology to the Secretary of Energy and provide comments and recommendations and priorities for the Department of Energy Annual Plan per requirements of the Energy Policy Act of 2005, Title IX, Subtitle J, Section 999D.

*Tentative Agenda:*

*October 23, 2012*

7:30 a.m. Registration  
8 a.m. Welcome & Introductions, Opening Remarks, Discussion of Subcommittee Reports and Findings regarding the *Draft 2013 Annual Plan*  
Noon Break for Working Lunch  
1 p.m. Discussion of Subcommittee Recommendations regarding the *Draft 2013 Annual Plan*  
4:45 p.m. Public Comments, if any  
5 p.m. Adjourn

*October 24, 2012*

7:30 a.m. Registration  
8 a.m. Discussion of Subcommittee Recommendations regarding the *Draft 2013 Annual Plan* (continued)  
Appoint Editing Subcommittee  
12 p.m. Adjourn

*Public Participation:* The meeting is open to the public. The Designated Federal Officer and the Chairman of the Committee will lead the meeting for the orderly conduct of business. If you would like to file a written statement with the Committee, you may do so either before or after the meeting. If you would like to make oral statements regarding any of the items on the agenda, you should contact Elena Melchert at the telephone number listed above. You must make your request for an oral statement at least three business days prior to the meeting, and