

and Federal legislation pertaining to juvenile justice and delinquency prevention. More information may be found at [www.facjj.org](http://www.facjj.org).

**Meeting Agenda:** The agenda will include: (a) Welcome and introductions; (b) remarks from the Administrator; (c) subcommittee meetings (closed to public); (d) reports and discussions; (e) presentation by and discussion with staff of the Juvenile Justice Evaluation Center; (f) presentations on trends in state juvenile justice-related legislation and on juvenile justice reform; (g) other business; and (h) adjournment.

For security purposes, members of the public who wish to attend must pre-register online at [www.facjj.org](http://www.facjj.org) by Tuesday, October 16, 2012. Should problems arise with web registration, call Daryel Dunston at 240-221-4343. [Note: these are not toll-free telephone numbers.] Photo identification will be required. Additional identification documents may be required. Space is limited.

**Written Comments:** Interested parties may submit written comments in advance to Robin Delany-Shabazz, Designated Federal Official, by email to [Robin.Delany-Shabazz@usdoj.gov](mailto:Robin.Delany-Shabazz@usdoj.gov) no later than Tuesday, October 16, 2012. Alternatively, fax your comments to 202-307-2819 and call Joyce Mosso Stokes at 202-305-4445 to ensure that they are received. [Note: These are not toll-free numbers.]

**Marilyn M. Roberts,**

*Deputy Administrator for Programs, Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention.*

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## NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

[Notice 12-079]

### National Environmental Policy Act; Sounding Rockets Program; Poker Flat Research Range

**AGENCY:** National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

**ACTION:** Notice of availability of the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) for the NASA Sounding Rockets Program (SRP) at Poker Flat Research Range (PFRR), Alaska.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act, as amended, (NEPA) (42 U.S.C. 4321 et. seq.), the Council on Environmental Quality Regulations for Implementing the Procedural Provisions of NEPA (40 CFR Parts 1500-1508), and NASA's NEPA

policy and procedures (14 CFR Part 1216, subpart 1216.3), NASA has prepared and issued a DEIS for its continued use of the University of Alaska Fairbanks (UAF) owned and managed PFRR, outside of Fairbanks, Alaska. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS), Bureau of Land Management (BLM), and UAF have served as Cooperating Agencies in preparing the DEIS. The purpose of this notice is to apprise interested agencies, organizations, tribal governments, and individuals of the availability of the DEIS and to invite comments on the document. In cooperation with BLM, UAF, and USFWS, NASA will hold public meetings as part of the DEIS review process. The meeting locations and dates identified at this time are provided under **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** below.

**DATES:** Interested parties are invited to submit comments on environmental issues and concerns, preferably in writing, within sixty (60) days from the date of publication in the **Federal Register** of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Notice of Availability of the DEIS. Once known, this date will be published on the project Web site presented under **ADDRESSES** below.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments submitted by mail should be addressed to Joshua Bundick, Manager, Poker Flat Research Range EIS, NASA Goddard Space Flight Center's Wallops Flight Facility, Mailstop: 250.W, Wallops Island, Virginia 23337. Comments may be submitted via email to [Joshua.A.Bundick@nasa.gov](mailto:Joshua.A.Bundick@nasa.gov).

The DEIS may be reviewed at the following locations:

(a) ARLIS, 3211 Providence Drive, Anchorage, Alaska, 99508 (907-272-7547).

(b) Z.J. Loussac Public Library, 3600 Denali Street, Anchorage, Alaska, 99503 (907-343-2975).

(c) Elmer E. Rasmuson Library, 310 Tanana Loop, Fairbanks, Alaska, 99775 (907-474-7481).

(d) Noel Wien Library, 1215 Cowles Street, Fairbanks, Alaska 99701 (907-459-1020).

(e) Juneau Public Library, 292 Marine Way, Juneau, Alaska 99801 (907-586-5249).

(f) NASA Headquarters Library, Room 1J20, 300 E Street SW., Washington, DC 20546-0001 (202-358-0168).

A limited number of hard copies of the DEIS are available, on a first request basis, by contacting the NASA point of contact listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION**. The DEIS is available on the internet in Adobe® portable

document format at [http://sites.wff.nasa.gov/code250/pfrr\\_eis.html](http://sites.wff.nasa.gov/code250/pfrr_eis.html). The **Federal Register** Notice of Intent to prepare the DEIS, issued on April 13, 2011, is also available on the internet at the same Web site address.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Joshua Bundick, Manager, Poker Flat Research Range EIS, NASA Wallops Flight Facility, Mailstop: 250.W, Wallops Island, Virginia 23337; telephone (757) 824-2319; fax (757) 824-1819; email: [Joshua.A.Bundick@nasa.gov](mailto:Joshua.A.Bundick@nasa.gov). A toll-free telephone number, (800) 521-3415, is also available for persons outside the local calling area. When using the toll-free number, please follow the menu options and enter the "pound sign (#)" followed by extension numbers "2319."

Additional information about NASA's SRP and UAF's PFRR may be found on the internet at <http://sites.wff.nasa.gov/code810> and <http://www.pfrr.alaska.edu>, respectively. Information regarding the NEPA process for this proposal and supporting documents (as available) are located at [http://sites.wff.nasa.gov/code250/pfrr\\_eis.html](http://sites.wff.nasa.gov/code250/pfrr_eis.html).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Since the late 1960s, NASA, other government agencies, and educational institutions have conducted suborbital rocket launches from the PFRR. While the PFRR is owned and managed by the Geophysical Institute of UAF, the NASA SRP has exclusively funded and managed the support contract with PFRR for more than 25 years. The PFRR is the only high-latitude, auroral-zone rocket launching facility in the United States where a sounding rocket can readily study the aurora borealis and the sun-earth connection.

### Related Environmental Documents

In recent years, concerns raised by agencies and organizations regarding the potential impact of its operations at PFRR prompted NASA to review its 2000 SRP Final Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (FSEIS). In doing so, NASA determined that while the overall environmental analysis in the 2000 SRP FSEIS remains sufficient to support the Agency's broad decision to continue the SRP at PFRR, potential changes in both operations and the environmental context of the launch corridor north of the site warranted preparation of additional site-specific environmental analysis. Accordingly, the DEIS tiers from the programmatic 2000 FSEIS and provides a focused analysis of SRP operations at PFRR.

### Cooperating Agency Actions

The PFRR EIS will serve as a decision-making tool not only for NASA but also for its two Federal Cooperating Agencies, BLM and USFWS. Directly north of the PFRR facility are its downrange flight zones, over which rockets are launched and within which spent stages and payloads impact the ground. Within these flight zones are BLM's Steese National Conservation Area and White Mountain National Recreational Area, and the USFWS-managed Arctic and Yukon Flats National Wildlife Refuges. Historically, the managing entities have issued UAF annual or multi-year special-use authorizations and agreements for impact of rockets and recovery operations on these lands.

BLM and USFWS are currently considering if and how future authorizations for rocket landing and recovery would be issued for the properties under their management. As such, the DEIS considers the effects of each agency's respective permitting actions.

### Alternatives

The DEIS evaluates the environmental consequences of five alternative means for continuing sounding rocket launches at PFRR. The alternatives differ primarily in the level of effort that would be exerted to locate and recover past and future launch related items in downrange lands. Two alternatives also include a restriction on planning rocket motor or payload impacts within designated Wild or Scenic Rivers.

### Public Meetings

NASA and its Cooperating Agencies plan to hold public meetings in Alaska to discuss the SRP at PFRR and to solicit comments on the DEIS.

The public meetings are currently scheduled for:

- Wednesday, October 24, 2012, at the USFWS Alaska Regional Office, Gordon Watson Conference Room, 1011 East Tudor Road, Anchorage, Alaska, 6:00 p.m.—8:00 p.m.
- Thursday, October 25, 2012, at the BLM Fairbanks District Office, 1150 University Avenue, Fairbanks, Alaska, 6:00 p.m.—8:00 p.m.

Times and locations of additional meetings, particularly those with interior Villages, will be coordinated with the respective governing bodies and published locally as they are scheduled. NASA will consider all comments received in developing its Final EIS; comments received and responses to comments will be included in the Final document. In conclusion,

written public input on environmental issues and concerns associated with NASA's SRP launches at PFRR are hereby requested.

**Olga M. Dominguez,**

*Assistant Administrator, Office of Strategic Infrastructure.*

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### NATIONAL FOUNDATION ON THE ARTS AND THE HUMANITIES

#### National Council on the Arts 177th Meeting

**AGENCY:** National Endowment for the Arts, National Foundation on the Arts and the Humanities.

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to section 10 (a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463), as amended, notice is hereby given that a meeting of the National Council on the Arts will be held at the Nancy Hanks Center, 1100 Pennsylvania Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20506. Agenda times are approximate.

**DATES:** October 26, 2012 from 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. in Room M-09.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Office of Public Affairs, National Endowment for the Arts, Washington, DC 20506, at 202/682-5570.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The meeting, on Friday, October 26th, will be open to the public on a space available basis. The meeting will begin with opening remarks, swearing in of new Council member Paul W. Hodes, and voting on recommendations for funding and rejection and guidelines, followed by updates by the Chairman. There will also be the following presentations: from 9:45 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.—London Cultural Olympiad/2012 Summer Olympics Presentation (Elizabeth Streb, Director of STREB Lab for Action Mechanics); from 10:30 a.m. to 11 a.m.—NEA/Bureau of Economic Analysis Partnership Presentation (David Wasshausen, Division Chief, U.S. Department of Commerce/Bureau of Economic Analysis); from 11 a.m. to 11:15 a.m.—Media Arts Presentation (Sue Schardt, Executive Director of The Association of Independents in Radio); 11:15 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.—concluding remarks and voting results. The meeting will adjourn at 11:30 a.m.

For information about webcasting of the open session of this meeting, go to the Podcasts, Webcasts, & Webinars tab at [www.arts.gov](http://www.arts.gov).

If, in the course of the open session discussion, it becomes necessary for the Council to discuss non-public commercial or financial information of intrinsic value, the Council will go into closed session pursuant to subsection (c)(4) of the Government in the Sunshine Act, 5 U.S.C. 552b, and in accordance with the February 15, 2012 determination of the Chairman. Additionally, discussion concerning purely personal information about individuals, such as personal biographical and salary data or medical information, may be conducted by the Council in closed session in accordance with subsection (c)(6) of 5 U.S.C. 552b.

Any interested persons may attend, as observers, Council discussions and reviews that are open to the public. If you need special accommodations due to a disability, please contact the Office of Accessibility, National Endowment for the Arts, 1100 Pennsylvania Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20506, 202/682-5733, Voice/TTY 202/682-5496, at least seven (7) days prior to the meeting.

Dated: October 4, 2012.

**Kathy Plowitz-Worden,**

*Panel Coordinator, Office of Guidelines and Panel Operations.*

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### NATIONAL FOUNDATION ON THE ARTS AND THE HUMANITIES

#### Arts Advisory Panel Meeting

**AGENCY:** National Endowment for the Arts, National Foundation on the Arts and Humanities.

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to Section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463), as amended, notice is hereby given that sixteen meetings of the Arts Advisory Panel to the National Council on the Arts will be held at the Nancy Hanks Center, 1100 Pennsylvania Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20506 as follows (ending times are approximate):

*Arts Education* (application review): In room 627. This meeting will be closed.

*Dates:* October 29-30, 2012; 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. EDT each day.

*Design* (application review): In room 714. This meeting will be closed.

*Dates:* October 30, 2012; 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. EDT.

*Design* (application review): In room 714. This meeting will be closed.

*Dates:* November 1, 2012, from 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. EDT.

*Opera* (application review): In room 716. This meeting will be closed.