The Missouri River Recovery Management Plan with integrated EIS will be narrower than the scope and purpose of the study from section 5018(a) of the Water Resources Development Act of 2007 (Missouri River Ecosystem Restoration Plan). That study included the additional purpose of ecosystem restoration and was inclusive of the entire Missouri River watershed, including tributaries, while this plan and EIS will focus exclusively on the purposes of recovery and mitigation and be limited primarily to the areas and objectives prescribed in the authorities listed above.

Scoping. Multiple phases of public, agency and Tribal government scoping meetings will be conducted throughout the Missouri River basin. Additional scoping phases are planned in order to address a preliminary range of alternatives and eventually to publish and solicit input on a draft EIS. Dates for these scoping phases have not yet been determined. General concerns, issues and needs related to the plan will be obtained throughout all scoping phases. Further information regarding when and where scoping meetings will be held as well as how written comments and suggestions concerning the EIS may be submitted will be found online at http://www.moriverrecovery.org when that information is available.

Dated: January 10, 2013.
Randy Sellers,
Project Manager.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army, Corps of Engineers

Notice for the Great Lakes and Mississippi River Interbasin Study (GLMRIS)

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

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), Chicago District has posted on http://glmris.anl.gov/documents/interim/anscontrol/screening/index.cfm aquatic nuisance species (ANS) Controls that can be used to prevent the transfer of algae, crustaceans, fish and plants via aquatic pathways. USACE is announcing a comment period to allow for the submission of information on available ANS Controls for these organism types.

In a December 8, 2010 notice of intent, Federal Register Notice (75 FR 76447), USACE announced it will prepare a feasibility report and an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for GLMRIS. GLMRIS is a feasibility study of the range of options and technologies that could be applied to prevent ANS transfer between the Great Lakes and Mississippi River basins through aquatic pathways. USACE is conducting GLMRIS in consultation with other federal agencies, Native American tribes, state agencies, local governments and non-governmental organizations. For additional information regarding GLMRIS, please refer to the project Web site http://glmris.anl.gov.

This notice announces a comment period during which USACE is asking the public to submit (i) information on ANS Controls that may be effective at preventing the transfer of fish, algae, crustaceans and plants in the CAWS but are missing from the USACE’s lists of ANS Controls, or (ii) comments regarding the identified ANS Controls.

DATES: USACE will be accepting public comments through February 21, 2013. Please refer to the “ANS Control Screening Comment Period” section below for details on the information USACE is seeking during this comment period and instructions on comment submittal.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For further information and/or questions about GLMRIS, please contact USACE, Chicago District, Project Manager, Ms. Nicole Roach, by mail: USACE, Chicago District, 111 N. Canal, Suite 600, Chicago, IL 60606, or by email: nicole.l.roach@usace.army.mil.

For media inquiries, please contact USACE, Chicago District, Public Affairs Officer, Ms. Lynne Whelan, by mail: USACE, Chicago District, 111 N. Canal, Suite 600, Chicago, IL 60606, by phone: 312–846–5330 or by email: lynne.e.whelan@usace.army.mil.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

1. Background. USACE is conducting GLMRIS in consultation with other federal agencies, Native American tribes, state agencies, local governments and non-governmental organizations. For GLMRIS, USACE will explore ANS Controls that could be applied to prevent ANS transfer between the Great Lakes and Mississippi River basins through aquatic pathways. In the Aquatic Nuisance Species of Concern White Paper http://glmris.anl.gov/documents/ans/index.cfm, USACE, in collaboration with our stakeholders, identified ANS of Concern and their corresponding organism types. These ANS of Concern and organism types were the initial focus of GLMRIS for the Chicago Area Waterway (CAWS).

USACE identified over 90 options and technologies to prevent the transfer of the ANS of Concern via aquatic pathways http://glmris.anl.gov/documents/interim/anscontrol/index.cfm. The ANS Controls include, but are not limited to, hydrologic separation of the basins, modification of water quality or flow within a waterway, chemical application to ANS, collection and removal of ANS from a waterway, as well as other types of controls currently in research and development.

As part of the ongoing analysis and in collaboration with state and federal agencies, USACE refined the organism types warranting further consideration to the following: algae, crustaceans, fish and plants. Additionally, USACE in collaboration with governmental agencies and organizations screened the list of ANS Controls per organism type and has posted them for public review at http://glmris.anl.gov/documents/interim/anscontrol/screening/index.cfm.

USACE will formulate plans using one or more of the screened ANS Controls in consideration of four criteria: completeness, effectiveness, efficiency, and acceptability. USACE will evaluate the effects of the alternative plans.

USACE is conducting GLMRIS in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and with the Economic and Environmental Principles and Guidelines for Water and Related Land Resource Implementation Studies, Water Resources Council, March 10, 1983.

2. ANS Control Screening Comment Period. The screened ANS Controls are found at http://glmris.anl.gov/documents/interim/anscontrol/screening/index.cfm. This notice announces a comment period during which USACE is asking the public to submit (i) information on ANS Controls that may be effective at preventing the transfer of fish, algae, crustaceans and plants in the CAWS but are missing from these lists, or (ii) comments regarding the identified ANS Controls.

The comment period runs through February 21, 2013, and comments may be submitted in the following ways:

• GLMRIS project Web site: Use the web form found at www(glmris.anl.gov through February 21, 2013;

• Mail: Mail written information to GLMRIS ANS Control Screening, 111 N. Canal, Suite 600, Chicago, IL 60606. Comments must be postmarked by February 21, 2013; and
DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE
Department of the Army: Corps of Engineers

Chief of Engineers Environmental Advisory Board; Meeting

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

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: In accordance with 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92–463), announcement is made of the forthcoming meeting.

Name of Committee: Chief of Engineers Environmental Advisory Board (EAB).

Date: February 15, 2013.

Time: 9:00 a.m. through 12:30 p.m.

Location: The “Café Conference Room” on the second floor of the Sandra Day O’Connor United States Courthouse (SDOCH), 401 West Washington Street, Phoenix, AZ 85003–2117.

Agenda: The Board will advise the Chief of Engineers on environmental policy, identification and resolution of environmental issues and missions, and addressing challenges, problems and opportunities in an environmentally sustainable manner. Discussions and presentations during this meeting will focus on energy and water security and sustainability, and flow management for sustainable river ecosystems. Following the discussions and presentations there will be a public comment period.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. John C. Furry, Designated Federal Officer, Headquarters, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, 441 G Street NW., Washington, DC 20314–1000; john.c.furry@uscce.army.mil; Ph: (202) 676–5875.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This meeting will be open to the public. Any interested person may attend. However, all attendees will enter and exit SDOCH through the appropriate visitors security point(s). Attendees need to arrive in time to complete the security screening and arrive at the meeting room before 9:00 a.m.. Attendees should be prepared to present two forms of valid photo identification, one of which must be government issued identification, and to pass through a scanning unit. The primary purpose of this meeting is for the Chief of Engineers to receive the views of his EAB; however, up to thirty minutes will be set aside for public comment. Anyone who wishes to speak must register prior to the start of the meeting. Written comments may also be submitted during registration.

Registration will be from 8:30 until 8:55 a.m. Please note that the Board operates under the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended, so all submitted comments and public presentations may be treated as public documents and will be made available for public inspection, including, but not limited to, being posted on the Board’s Web site.

Brenda S. Bowen, Army Federal Register Liaison Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE
Department of the Navy

Notice of Intent To Grant Co-Exclusive Licenses

AGENCY: Department of the Navy, DoD.

ACTION: Notice.


DATES: Anyone wishing to object to the grant of these co-exclusive licenses must file written objections along with supporting evidence, if any, not later than February 4, 2013.

ADDRESSES: Written objections are to be filed with the Office of Research and Technology Applications, Naval Air Warfare Center Weapons Division, Code 4L4000D, 1900 N. Knox Road, Stop 6012, China Lake, CA 93555–6106.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Michael D. Seltzer, Ph.D., Office of Research and Technology Applications, Naval Air Warfare Center Weapons Division, Code 4L4000D, 1900 N. Knox Road, Stop 6312, China Lake, CA 93555–6106, telephone 760–939–1074, email: michael.seltzer@navy.mil.