Specifically, this effort will be comprised of the following research components:

- 39 ethnographies among non-military and non-U.S. government individuals;
- 48 ethnographies with Local Election Officials;
- 28 ethnographies among spouses/adult children of active duty U.S. military service members;
- 24 focus groups among non military UOCAVA voters;
- 8 focus groups among military spouses/adult children;
- 4 focus groups among non military non voters;
- Survey of 4,000 non military UOCAVA voters;
- 2 final focus groups among military spouses/adult children.

**Affected Public:** Non-military UOCAVA voters including military spouses and adult children, non-military and non-U.S. government individuals, and Local Election Officials.

**Annual Burden Hours:** 2,323 hours total. Time estimates by research methodology as follows:

- 39 ethnographies among non-military and non-U.S. government individuals: 78 hours (2 hours per respondent)
- 48 ethnographies with Local Election Officials: 96 hours (2 hours per respondent)
- 28 ethnographies among spouses/adult children of active duty U.S. military service members: 56 hours (2 hours per respondent)
- 24 focus groups among non military UOCAVA voters: 480 hours (2 hours per respondent; 10 respondents per group; 240 respondents)
- 8 focus groups among military spouses/adult children: 160 hours (2 hours per respondent; 10 respondents per group; 80 respondents)
- 4 focus groups among non military non voters: 80 hours (2 hours per respondent; 10 respondents per group; 40 respondents)
- Survey of 4,000 non military UOCAVA voters: 1,333 hours (20 minutes per respondent)
- 2 final focus groups among military spouses/adult children: 40 hours (2 hours per respondent; 10 respondents per group; 20 respondents)

**Number of Respondents:** 4,495.

**Responses per Respondent:** 1.

**Average Burden per Response:** Ethnographies and Focus Groups: 2 hours each. Survey: 20 minutes.

**Frequency:** One time.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Summary of Information Collection**

The Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act (UOCAVA) requires the States to allow Uniformed Services personnel, their family members, and overseas citizens to use absentee registration procedures and to vote by absentee ballot in general, special, primary, and runoff elections for Federal offices. The Act covers members of the Uniformed Services and the merchant marine to include the commissioned corps of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration and Public Health Service and their eligible dependents, Federal civilian employees overseas, and overseas U.S. citizens not affiliated with the Federal Government. Local Election Officials (LEO) process voter registration and absentee ballot applications, send absentee ballots to voters, and receive and process the voted ballots in counties, cities, parishes, townships and other jurisdictions within the U.S. LEOs, independently and in relation to their respective State election officials, are often one of the most important pieces in the absentee voting process for UOCAVA citizens. The 2013 FVAP Ethnographies, Focus Groups, and Surveys research project will examine attitudes, experiences, and behaviors of LEOs and UOCAVA voters around the UOCAVA voting process. The research will explore the deficiencies, risks, and pitfalls that serve as key barriers to UOCAVA voting success and will provide insights and recommendations for potential changes to address obstacles in the UOCAVA voting process. The study involves both qualitative and quantitative data collection methods. The research findings will be used for overall program evaluation, management and improvement.

Dated: April 15, 2013.

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secondary public schools on military installations in order to address capacity or facility condition deficiencies at such schools. Pursuant to Section 8108 of Public Law 113–6, the Consolidated and Further Continuing Appropriations Act, 2013, Congress made available an additional $270 million for the program and added a new eligibility criterion. This notice explains the additional criterion and the procedures for the DoD program, administered by OEA, to distribute the $270 million.

DATES: Not applicable. Funds will be distributed until exhausted, as described in the Federal Register notice dated September 9, 2011 (76 FR 55883–55886) and this notice.

ADDRESSES: Not applicable. Appropriate information will be provided directly to invited applicants.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: David W. Witschi, Associate Director, OEA, telephone: (703) 697–2130, email: david.witschi@wso.whs.mil.


The Secretary of Defense is authorized by Section 8108 of Public Law 113–6, the Consolidated and Further Continuing Appropriations Act, 2013, and is choosing to act through OEA, to provide up to $270 million to make grants, conclude cooperative agreements, or supplement other Federal funds to construct, renovate, repair, or expand elementary and secondary public schools on military installations in order to address capacity or facility condition deficiencies at such schools. Provided further, that in making such funds available, OEA shall give priority consideration to those military installations with schools having the most serious capacity or facility condition deficiencies as determined by the Secretary of Defense: Provided further, that funds may not be available to a school unless its enrollment of defense-connected children is greater than 50 percent. Section 8109 of Public Law 112–10, the Department of Defense and Full-Year Continuing Appropriations Act, 2011, and Section 8118 of Public Law 112–74, the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2012, previously provided a total of $500 million to construct, renovate, repair, or expand elementary and secondary public schools on military installations. OEA announced procedures for administering this program in a Federal Register notice dated September 9, 2011 (76 FR 55883–55886). This notice explains an additional project eligibility criterion applicable to the additional $270 million provided by Congress pursuant to Section 8108 of Public Law 113–6.

1. Additional Eligibility Criteria applicable to the $270 million provided by Section 8108 of Public Law 113–6:
   a. Funds may not be made available to a school unless its enrollment of defense-connected children is greater than 50%.
   b. For the purposes of this program, the term “Defense-connected children” is defined as children of a uniformed Military Service member, and children who have a parent who is both a civilian and works on a military installation.
   c. The determination of compliance with this criterion will be based on Fiscal Year 2012 school enrollment data reported to the U.S. Department of Education by May 1, 2013.

2. The additional criterion described above is not applicable to funding previously provided under Section 8109 of Public Law 112–10, the Department of Defense and Full-Year Continuing Appropriations Act, 2011, or Section 8118 of Public Law 112–74, the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2012.

3. All other information announced in the September 9, 2011 notice, including proposal and application submission information, remains unchanged.

4. Agency Contacts. For further information, to answer questions regarding this notice, or for help with problems, contact: David F. Witschi, OEA Associate Director, telephone: (703) 697–2130, email: david.witschi@wso.whs.mil or regular mail at 2231 Crystal Drive, Suite 520, Arlington, VA 22202–3711.

5. Other Information. The OMB Control Number for information collection related to this notice is 0790–0006; expires July 31, 2015.

The OEA Internet address is http://www.oea.gov.


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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Renewal of Department of Defense Federal Advisory Committees

AGENCY: DoD.

ACTION: Renewal of Inland Waterways Users Board.

SUMMARY: Under the provisions of 10 U.S.C. 2166(e), the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972 (5 U.S.C. Appendix), the Government in the Sunshine Act of 1976 (5 U.S.C. 552b), and 41 CFR 102–3.50(a), the Department of Defense (DoD) gives notice that it is renewing the charter for the Inland Waterways Users Board (“the Board”).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jim Freeman, Advisory Committee Management Officer for the Department of Defense, 703–692–5952.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Board shall provide the Secretary of Defense, through the Secretary of the Army and the Assistant Secretary of the Army for Civil Works, independent advice and recommendations on matters relating to construction and rehabilitation priorities and spending levels on the commercial navigation features and components of the U.S. inland waterways and inland harbors.

The Board shall report to the Secretary of Defense through the Secretary of the Army, the Assistant Secretary of the Army for Civil Works, and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. The Secretary of the Army, pursuant to DoD policy, may act upon the Board’s advice and recommendations. Board members, as determined by the DoD, shall be representative members and, pursuant to 33 U.S.C. 2251(a), the Board shall be composed of eleven members.

Based upon the Secretary of the Army’s recommendation, the Secretary of Defense shall invite primary commercial users and shippers of the inland and intracoastal waterways to serve on the Board. Commercial users and shippers invited to serve on the Board shall designate an individual, subject to Secretary of Defense approval, to represent the organization’s interests.

The Department, when considering prospective users and shippers to be represented on the Board, shall ensure selections represent various regions of the country and a spectrum of the primary users and shippers utilizing the inland and intracoastal waterways for commercial purposes. Due consideration shall be given to assure a balance among the members based on the ton-mile shipments of the various