DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

RIN 0648–XC210

Marine Mammals; File No. 17410

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Notice; issuance of permit.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that a permit has been issued to the Alaska Department of Fish and Game (ADF&G; Responsible Party: Robert Small, Ph.D.), 1255 West 8th Street, Juneau, AK 99811, to collect, receive, import, and export marine mammal parts for scientific research purposes.

ADDRESSES: The permit and related documents are available for review upon written request or by appointment in the following offices:

- Permits and Conservation Division, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Room 13705, 1333 East-West Highway, Room 13705, Office of Protected Resources, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Silver Spring, MD 20910; phone (301) 427–8401; fax (301) 713–0376; and Alaska Region, NMFS, P.O. Box 21668, Juneau, AK 99802–1668; phone (907) 586–7221; fax (907) 586–7249.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Amy Sloan or Jennifer Skidmore, (301) 427–8401.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On September 10, 2012, notice was published in the Federal Register (77 FR 55456) that a request for a permit to conduct research on marine mammal parts had been submitted by the above-named applicant. The requested permit has been issued under the authority of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended (MMPA; 16 U.S.C. 1361 et seq.), the regulations governing the taking and importing of marine mammals (50 CFR part 216), the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (ESA; 16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.), the regulations governing the taking, importing, and exporting of endangered and threatened species (50 CFR 222–226), and the Fur Seal Act of 1966, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1151 et seq.).

The permit authorizes the collection, receipt, import, and export of marine mammal parts from up to 1,000 pinnipeds (excluding walrus) and 500 cetaceans to obtain information on population status and distribution, stock structure, age distribution, mortality rates, productivity, feeding habits, and health status of marine mammals. No takes of live animals are authorized. The permit is valid for five years.

In compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.), a final determination has been made that the activities proposed are categorically excluded from the requirement to prepare an environmental assessment or environmental impact statement.

As required by the ESA, issuance of this permit was based on a finding that such permit: (1) Was applied for in good faith; (2) will not operate to the disadvantage of such endangered species; and (3) is consistent with the purposes and policies set forth in section 2 of the ESA.


P. Michael Payne,
Chief, Permits and Conservation Division, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Reserve Forces Policy Board (RFPB); Notice of Federal Advisory Committee Meeting

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary of Defense, DoD.

ACTION: Notice of Federal Advisory Committee meeting.

SUMMARY: Under the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972 (FACA) (5 U.S.C. Appendix, as amended), the Government in the Sunshine Act of 1976 (5 U.S.C. 552b, as amended), and 41 CFR 102–3.150, the Department of Defense announces the following Federal advisory committee meeting of the Reserve Forces Policy Board will take place.

DATES: Wednesday, June 5, 2013, from 8:25 a.m. to 3:50 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The address is the Pentagon, Room 3E863, Arlington, VA (escort required; see guidance in Meeting Accessibility).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: CAPT Steven Knight, Designated Federal Officer, (703) 681–0608 (Voice), (703) 681–0002 (Facsimile), RFPB@osd.mil. Mailing address is Reserve Forces Policy Board, 5113 Leesburg Pike, Suite 601, Falls Church, VA 22041. Web site: http://ra.defense.gov/rfpb/

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Purpose of the Meeting: The purpose of the meeting is to obtain, review and evaluate information related to strategies, policies, and practices designed to improve and enhance the capabilities, efficiency, and effectiveness of the Reserve Components.

Agenda: The Reserve Forces Policy Board will hold a meeting from 8:25 a.m. until 3:50 p.m. The portion of the meeting from 8:25 a.m. until 2:10 p.m. will be closed and is not open to the public. The closed session of the meeting will consist of remarks from the Deputy Secretary of Defense; the Acting Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel & Readiness); the Commander, U.S. Southern Command; the Director, Cost Assessment and Program Evaluation; the Deputy Commander, U.S. Cyber Command; Dr. Paul Stockton, former Assistant Secretary of Defense for Homeland Defense and Americas, Security Affairs; and a representative from the Council of Governors. All of the closed session speakers will discuss the best ways to use the Reserves to support the Department’s new strategy; the right balance of Active and Reserve Component Forces; and the cost to maintain a strong Reserve Component. Additionally, the Deputy Commander, U.S. Cyber Command, will discuss his views on the increased emphasis placed on cyber security and the logical mission fit for Reserve Component members. The Director, Cost Assessment and Program Evaluation, will provide her thoughts as the Department completes studies and implements decisions that will have a profound impact on the Reserve Components. The representative from the Council of Governors and Dr. Stockton will discuss the vulnerabilities or capabilities of systems, installation infrastructures, projects, plans, or protection services relating to national security. The Council of Governors representative may also address the following topics: Defense Support of Civilian Authorities, employment of the Reserve Components for related missions and the lessons learned from Hurricane Sandy. The open portion of the meeting, from 2:10 p.m. until 3:50 p.m., will consist of briefs from the RFPB subcommittees on the status of the recommendations previously made to the Secretary of Defense, “off-ramping” of Reserve units, Reserve Component Medical Readiness, and an update on the progress of the OASD Reserve Affairs Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty (DD Form 214) working group. The Secretary of Defense Strategic Question Task Group will discuss its findings, present relevant facts, and provide the Board’s consideration a report or reports of advice and recommendations for the
Secretary of Defense, and discuss the cost of a strong Reserve Component. The Cyber Task Group presentation will announce its formation and discuss the administrative matters associated with this group.

Meeting Accessibility: Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552b, as amended, and 41 CFR 102–3.140 through 102–3.165, and the availability of space, the open portion of the meeting is open to the public. Seating is limited and is on a first-come basis. All members of the public who wish to attend the public meeting must contact Captain Steven Knight at the number listed in FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT no later than noon on Wednesday, May 29 to register and make arrangements for a Pentagon escort, if necessary. Public attendees requiring escort should arrive at the Pentagon Metro Entrance with sufficient time to complete security screening no later than 1:40 p.m. on June 5. To complete security screening, please come prepared to present two forms of identification and one must be a picture identification card. In accordance with section 10(d) of the FACA, 5 U.S.C. 552b, and 41 CFR 102–3.155, the Department of Defense has determined that the portion of this meeting from 8:25 a.m. until 2:10 p.m. will be closed to the public. Specifically, the Acting Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), with the coordination of the DoD FACA Attorney, has determined in writing that this portion of the meeting will be closed to the public because it will discuss matters covered by 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(4).

Written Statements: Pursuant to 41 CFR 102–3.105(j) and 102–3.140 and section 10(a)(3) of the FACA, interested persons may submit written statements to the Reserve Forces Policy Board at any time. Written statements should be submitted to the Reserve Forces Policy Board’s Designated Federal Officer at the address or facsimile number listed in FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT. If statements pertain to a specific topic being discussed at a planned meeting, then these statements must be submitted no later than five (5) business days prior to the meeting in question. Written statements received after this date may not be provided to or considered by the Reserve Forces Policy Board until its next meeting. The Designated Federal Officer will review all timely submitted written statements and provide copies to all the committee members before the meeting that is the subject of this notice. Please note that since the Board operates under the provisions of the FACA, all submitted comments and public presentations will 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.


Aaron Siegel,
Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Air Force

[Docket ID USAF–2013–0027]

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Air Education and Training Command (AETC/A1R), Department of Defense/Department of the Air Force/Headquarters.

ACTION: Notice.

In compliance with Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Department of the Air Force 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.

DATES: Consideration will be given to all comments received by July 15, 2013.

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, East Tower, Suite 02G09, Alexandria, VA 22350–3100.

Instructions: All submissions received must include the agency name, docket number and title for this Federal Register document. The general policy for comments and other submissions from members of the public is to make these submissions available for public viewing on the Internet at http://www.regulations.gov as they are received without change, including any personal identifiers or contact information.

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 HQ Air Education and Training Command (AETC/A1R), ATTN: C.K. Burnett, 1850 First Street West, Ste 1, JBSA Randolph TX 78150, or call 210–652–6099. Title: Associated Form; and OMB Number: Victim/Witness Feedback Request; OMB Number 0701–TBD.

Needs And Uses: The information collection is requested, not required. It is necessary to provide this select group the opportunity to comment on their experiences as victims/witnesses in trial proceedings, and to help inform and modify processes and procedures that pertain to others in this same category in the future.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Annual Burden Hours: 4.

Number of Respondents: 16.

Responses per Respondent: 1.

Average Burden per Response: 15 minutes.

Frequency: On occasion.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Summary of Information Collection

Respondents are former Air Force members, now members of the general public, who are former Basic Military Trainees and later became victims or witnesses in trial proceedings relating to their training experiences. Requesting and receiving direct feedback from this group would be helpful to inform and modify processes and procedures that pertain to others in this same category in the future.

Dated: May 9, 2013.

Aaron Siegel,
Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

[Docket No. ED–2013–ICCD–0020]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to the Office of Management and Budget for Review and Approval; Comment Request; Direct Loan, FFEL, Perkins and TEACH Grant Total and Permanent Disability Discharge Forms

AGENCY: Federal Student Aid (FSA), Department of Education (ED).