Prohibition Relating to Organizational Conflict of Interest-Major Defense Acquisition Program; OMB Control Number 0704–0477.

Needs and Uses: This information collection requires an offeror to submit a mitigation plan if requesting an exemption from the statutory limitation on future contracting. This information will be used to resolve organizational conflicts of interest arising in a systems engineering and technical assistance contract for an MDAP, as required by section 207 of WSARA.

Affected Public: Businesses or other for-profit and not-for-profit institutions.

Annual Burden Hours: 3,000.
Number of Respondents: 25.
Responses per Respondent: 3.
Annual Responses: 75.
Average Burden per Response: 40 hours.
Frequency: On occasion.

Summary of Information Collection

This information collection includes requirements of DFARS subpart 209.5, Organizational and Consultant Conflicts of Interest, and the related provision at DFARS 252.209–7008. Notice of Prohibition Relegating to Organizational Conflict of Interest-Major Defense Acquisition Program. DFARS subpart 209.5, Organizational and Consultant Conflicts of Interest, implements section 207 of the Weapons system Acquisition Reform Act of 2009 (Pub. L. 111–23). The provision at DFARS 252.209–7008 paragraph (d) requires an offeror to submit a mitigation plan if requesting an exemption from the statutory limitation on future contracting.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army; Corps of Engineers

Intent To Prepare a Regional Environmental Impact Statement for Surface Coal and Lignite Mining in the State of Texas

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

ACTION: Notice of intent.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) is preparing a Regional Environmental Impact Statement (REIS) to analyze the direct, indirect, and cumulative effects associated with a decision to develop and assess data and information with waters of the United States and other relevant resources that may be potentially impacted by future surface coal and lignite mine expansions in the state of Texas within the Fort Worth District’s area of responsibility. These coal and lignite mining activities may eventually require authorization from the USACE under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act and Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899, as well as other federal and state permits and approvals.

DATES: Public scoping meetings for the REIS will be held on:

1. Tuesday, December 3, 2013, 4 p.m.–7 p.m., Uvalde, Texas.
2. Wednesday, December 4, 2013, 4 p.m.–7 p.m., Temple, Texas.
3. Thursday, December 5, 2013, 4 p.m.–7 p.m., Tyler, Texas.

ADDRESSES: The scoping meeting locations are:

1. Tuesday, December 3, 2013, at the Uvalde County Fairplex-Event Center, 122 Veterans Lane, Uvalde, Texas 78801.
3. Thursday, December 5, 2013, at the Tyler Rose Garden Center, 420 South Rose Park Drive, Tyler, Texas 75702.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Questions and comments regarding the proposed action and REIS should be addressed to Mr. Darvin Messer, Project Manager, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Fort Worth District, P.O. Box 17300, 819 Taylor Street, Fort Worth, Texas 76102; or Darvin.Messer@usace.army.mil.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The USACE will be conducting public scoping meetings at three locations (see DATES and ADDRESSES) to describe the Project, preliminary alternatives, the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) compliance process, and to solicit input on the issues and alternatives to be evaluated and other related matters. Written comments for scoping will be accepted until December 20, 2013. The USACE has prepared a scoping announcement to familiarize agencies, the public and interested organizations with the proposed Action and potential environmental issues that may be involved. The scoping announcement describes the target resources to be assessed, the proposed areas of assessment, and the mines that may utilize the information developed through this effort. Copies of the scoping announcement will be available at the public scoping meetings or can be requested by mail.

Surface coal and lignite mining projects in the USACE Fort Worth’s area of responsibility typically conduct work that results in impacts to waters of the U.S. Such work requires authorization under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act, and for projects affecting navigable waters, authorization under Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899. These programs are administered by the USACE. The anticipated number of future permit applications requiring the USACE compliance with NEPA, along with agency resource constraints, could result in lengthy review times. Historic permit evaluations associated with mine expansions have required substantial time periods. These timeframes have been influenced in part by the need to develop resource information, undertake data gathering efforts, as well as coordination with various agencies and their permit review processes. The USACE also needs to ensure it can adapt and efficiently respond to multiple concurrent requests for permits that may occur in the future.

The USACE is undertaking a REIS to streamline the NEPA aspect of the Section 404/10 permitting process, as well as to develop information, data, and analyses to be used in 404(b)(1) guidelines and public interest review analyses for future coal and lignite mine expansions in Texas subject to permitting by the USACE.

The REIS is intended to provide an environmental evaluation focusing on the potential direct, indirect, and cumulative aquatic resource impacts, in addition to other relevant environmental and human resources, that could be affected by future surface coal and lignite mining within defined geographic regions in Texas. The REIS would facilitate future tiering or supplementation of the NEPA analysis in the REIS in the evaluation of future project-specific Section 404/10 permit applications. It also is intended to provide a cohesive framework for stream mitigation, establishment of sound performance metrics, and enhance project monitoring efforts associated with these types of activities. The REIS is intended to avoid duplication and provide efficiency and effectiveness with future decisions.

The REIS will be prepared according to the USACE’s procedures for implementing the NEPA, as amended, 42 U.S.C. 4332(2)(c), and consistent with the USACE’s policy to facilitate public understanding and review of agency proposals. As part of the REIS process, a full range of reasonable alternatives, including the proposed Action and no action, will be evaluated. The use of a third party contract
arrangement will be utilized to develop the REIS funded by the Texas Mining and Reclamation Association.

The USACE has invited the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Office of Surface Mining, Natural Resources Conservation Service, Railroad Commission of Texas, Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, Texas Historical Commission and the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries to be cooperating agencies in the formulation of the REIS.

Charles H. Klinge,
Colonel, U.S. Army, Commanding.

[Dated: October 21, 2013.]

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

William D. Ford Federal Direct Loan Program Repayment Plan Selection Form; Extension of Public Comment Period; Correction

AGENCY: Department of Education.

ACTION: Correction notice.

SUMMARY: On October 2, 2013 the U.S. Department of Education published a 30-day comment period notice in the Federal Register (Page 60865, Column 2) seeking public comment for an information collection entitled, “Title V Developing Hispanic-Serving Institutions Application—1894–0001”. ED is extending the comment period to November 18, 2013 due to the public’s inability to access the collection at the beginning of the comment period.

The Acting Director, Information Collection Clearance Division, Privacy, Information and Records Management Services, Office of Management, hereby issues a correction notice as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

Dated: October 21, 2013.

Kate Mullan,
Acting Director, Information Collection Clearance Division, Privacy, Information and Records Management Services, Office of Management.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

Notice of Extension of the Public Comment Period on the Draft Toxicological Review of Benzo[a]pyrene: In Support of the Summary Information on the Integrated Risk Information System (IRIS) and the Addition of Benzo[a]pyrene to the Agenda for the December 2013 IRIS Bimonthly Meeting

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of Extension of the Public Comment Period to November 21, 2013, and the Public Meeting.

SUMMARY: EPA is announcing an extension of the public comment period for the draft human health assessment titled, “Toxicological Review of Benzo[a]pyrene: In Support of Summary Information on the Integrated Risk Information System (IRIS) and the Addition of Benzo[a]pyrene” (EPA/635/R–13/138) and the draft peer review charge questions from October 21, 2013, to November 21, 2013. The draft assessment will be added to the agenda for the IRIS bimonthly public meeting scheduled for December 12–13, 2013. Information on this meeting, including location, time, registration, and participation procedures will be available on the IRIS Web site (http://www.epa.gov/iris/publicmeeting/).

DATES: The public comment period began on August 21, 2013, and is being extended to November 21, 2013. Comments should be in writing and must be received by EPA by November 21, 2013. Discussion of the draft Toxicological Review of Benzo[a]pyrene will be included on the agenda of the bimonthly IRIS public meeting to be held on December 12–13, 2013, at EPA offices in Arlington, Virginia.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, identified by Docket ID No. EPA–HQ–ORD–2011–0391 by one of the following methods:

• http://www.regulations.gov. Follow the on-line instructions for submitting comments.
• Email: Docket_ORD@epa.gov.
• Fax: 202–566–9744.
• Hand Delivery: The ORD Docket is located in the EPA Headquarters Docket Center, EPA West Building, Room 3334, 1301 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC. The EPA Docket Center’s Public Reading Room is open from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The telephone number for the Public Reading Room is 202–566–1744. Deliveries are only accepted during the docket’s normal hours of operation, and special arrangements should be made for deliveries of boxed information. If you provide comments by mail or hand delivery, please submit one unbound original with pages numbered consecutively, and three copies of the comments. For attachments, provide an index, number pages consecutively with the comments, and submit an unabund original and three copies.

Instructions for submitting comments to the EPA Docket: Direct your comments to Docket ID No. EPA–HQ–ORD–2011–0391. Please ensure that your comments are submitted within the specified comment period. Comments received after the closing date will be marked “late,” and may only be considered if time permits. It is EPA’s policy to include all comments it receives in the public docket without change and to make the comments available online at http://www.regulations.gov, including any personal information provided, unless a comment includes information claimed to be Confidential Business Information (CBI) or other information whose