

LTCH QRP QUALITY MEASURES UNDER CONSIDERATION FOR FUTURE YEARS—Continued

FAFSA Information	Acceptable documentation
	(Student's ID Number)

¹ In lieu of obtaining a transcript whenever mentioned in the above chart, an institution may accept from the tax filer a copy of the 2017 income tax return that was submitted to the IRS or other tax authority only—

(a) When the Secretary issues guidance permitting such submission; or
 (b) When the tax authority of a U.S. territory (Guam, American Samoa, the U.S. Virgin Islands) or commonwealth (Puerto Rico and the Northern Mariana Islands) or a foreign government does not provide the required information at no charge to the tax filer.

The copy of the 2017 income tax return must include the signature of the tax filer, or one of the filers of a joint income tax return, or the signed, stamped, typed, or printed name and address of the preparer of the income tax return and the preparer's Social Security Number, Employer Identification Number, or Preparer Tax Identification Number.

For a tax filer who filed an income tax return other than an IRS form, such as a foreign or Puerto Rican tax form, the institution must use the income information (converted to U.S. dollars) from the lines of that form that correspond most closely to the income information reported on a U.S. income tax return.

An individual who did not retain a copy of his or her 2017 tax account information, and for whom that information cannot be located by the IRS or other relevant tax authority, must submit to the institution—

- (a) Copies of all IRS Form W-2s for each source of 2017 employment income or equivalent documents; or
- (b) If the individual is self-employed or filed an income tax return with a government of a U.S. territory or commonwealth or a foreign government, a signed statement certifying the amount of AGI and income taxes paid for tax year 2017; and
- (c) Documentation from the IRS or other relevant tax authority that indicates the individual's 2017 tax account information cannot be located; and
- (d) A signed statement that indicates that the individual did not retain a copy of his or her 2017 tax account information.

² An individual who is required to submit an IRS Form W-2 or an equivalent document but did not maintain a copy should request a duplicate from the employer who issued the original or from the government agency that issued the equivalent document. If the individual is unable to obtain a duplicate W-2 or an equivalent document in a timely manner, the institution may permit that individual to provide a signed statement, in accordance with 34 CFR 668.57(a)(6), that includes—

- (a) The amount of income earned from work;
- (b) The source of that income; and
- (c) The reason why the IRS Form W-2, or an equivalent document, is not available in a timely manner.

³ For an individual who was called up for active duty or for qualifying National Guard duty during a war or other military operation or national emergency, in lieu of IRS Form 4868, an institution must accept a statement from the individual certifying that he or she has not filed an income tax return or a request for a filing extension because of that service.

⁴ An unexpired valid government-issued photo identification is one issued by the U.S. government, any of the 50 States, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, a federally recognized American Indian and Alaska Native Tribe, American Samoa, Guam, the Virgin Islands, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, the Republic of the Marshall Islands, the Federated States of Micronesia, or the Republic of Palau.

Verification Requirements for Individuals Who Are Eligible for an Auto Zero Expected Family Contribution (EFC)

Only the following FAFSA/ISIR information must be verified:

For dependent students—

- The parents' AGI if the parents were tax filers;
- The parents' income earned from work if the parents were nontax filers; and
- The student's high school completion status and identity/ statement of educational purpose, if selected.

For independent students—

- The student's and spouse's AGI if they were tax filers;
- The student's and spouse's income earned from work if they were nontax filers;
- The student's high school completion status and identity/ statement of educational purpose, if selected; and
- The number of household members to determine if the independent student has one or more dependents other than a spouse.

Other Sources for Detailed Information

We provide a more detailed discussion on the verification process in the following resources:

- *2019–2020 Application and Verification Guide.*
- *2019–2020 ISIR Guide.*
- *2019–2020 SAR Comment Codes and Text.*
- *2019–2020 COD Technical Reference.*

• Program Integrity Information— Questions and Answers on Verification at <http://www2.ed.gov/policy/highered/reg/hearulemaking/2009/verification.html>.

These publications are on the Information for Financial Aid Professionals website at www.ifap.ed.gov.

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Dated: March 23, 2018.

Frank T. Brogan,

Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary and Delegated the duties of the Assistant Secretary, Office of Planning, Evaluation and Policy Development, Delegated the duties of the Assistant Secretary, Office of Postsecondary Education.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Biological and Environmental Research Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Office of Science, Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a meeting of the DOE/Biological and Environmental Research Advisory Committee (BERAC). The Federal Advisory Committee Act requires that public notice of these meetings be announced in the **Federal Register**.

DATES:

Wednesday, April 25, 2018; 8:30 a.m.–5:30 p.m.

Thursday, April 26, 2018; 8:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Hilton Washington DC North/Gaithersburg, 620 Perry Parkway, Gaithersburg, MD 20877.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Tristram West, Designated Federal Officer, BERAC, U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Science, Office of Biological and Environmental Research, SC-23/Germantown Building, 1000 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20585-1290. Phone 301-903-5155; fax (301) 903-5051 or email: tristram.west@science.doe.gov. The most current information concerning this meeting can be found on the website: <http://science.energy.gov/ber/berac/meetings/>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose of the Committee: To provide advice on a continuing basis to the Director, Office of Science of the Department of Energy, on the many complex scientific and technical issues that arise in the development and implementation of the Biological and Environmental Research Program.

Tentative Agenda Topics

- News from the Office of Science
- News from the Office of Biological and Environmental Research (BER)
- News from the Biological Systems Science and Climate and Environmental Sciences Divisions
- Response to the report by the Biological Systems Science Division Committee of Visitors
- Updates on data science programs
- Scientific workshop outbriefs
- Science talks
- New business
- Public comment

Public Participation: The day and a half meeting is open to the public. If you would like to file a written statement with the Committee, you may do so either before or after the meeting. If you would like to make oral statements regarding any of the items on the agenda, you should contact Tristram West at tristram.west@science.doe.gov (email) or 301-903-5051 (fax). You must make your request for an oral statement at least five business days

before the meeting. Reasonable provision will be made to include the scheduled oral statements on the agenda. The Chairperson of the Committee will conduct the meeting to facilitate the orderly conduct of business. Public comment will be limited to five minutes each.

Minutes: The minutes of this meeting will be available for public review and copying within 45 days at the BERAC website: <http://science.energy.gov/ber/berac/meetings/berac-minutes/>.

Issued in Washington, DC on March 22, 2018.

LaTanya R. Butler,

Deputy Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board, Oak Ridge

AGENCY: Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a meeting of the Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board (EM SSAB), Oak Ridge. The Federal Advisory Committee Act requires that public notice of this meeting be announced in the **Federal Register**.

DATES: Wednesday, April 11, 2018, 6:00 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Department of Energy Information Center, Office of Science and Technical Information, 1 Science.gov Way, Oak Ridge, Tennessee 37831.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Melyssa P. Noe, Alternate Deputy Designated Federal Officer, U.S. Department of Energy, Oak Ridge Office of Environmental Management (OREM), P.O. Box 2001, EM-942, Oak Ridge, TN 37831. Phone (865) 241-3315; Fax (865) 241-6932; E-Mail: Melyssa.Noel@orem.doe.gov. Or visit the website at: <https://energy.gov/orem/services/community-engagement/oak-ridge-site-specific-advisory-board>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose of the Board: The purpose of the Board is to make recommendations to DOE-EM and site management in the areas of environmental restoration, waste management, and related activities.

Tentative Agenda

- Welcome and Announcements
- Comments from the Deputy Designated Federal Officer (DDFO)

- Comments from the DOE, Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation, and Environmental Protection Agency Liaisons
- Public Comment Period
- Presentation: Overview of the Ongoing Effort to Assure Waste Disposal Capacity
- Motions/Approval of February 14, 2018 Meeting Minutes
- Status of Outstanding Recommendations
- Alternate DDFO Report
- Committee Reports
- Adjourn

Public Participation: The EM SSAB, Oak Ridge, welcomes the attendance of the public at its advisory committee meetings and will make every effort to accommodate persons with physical disabilities or special needs. If you require special accommodations due to a disability, please contact Melyssa P. Noe at least seven days in advance of the meeting at the phone number listed above. Written statements may be filed with the Board either before or after the meeting. Individuals who wish to make oral statements pertaining to the agenda item should contact Melyssa P. Noe at the address or telephone number listed above. Requests must be received five days prior to the meeting and reasonable provision will be made to include the presentation in the agenda. The Deputy Designated Federal Officer is empowered to conduct the meeting in a fashion that will facilitate the orderly conduct of business. Individuals wishing to make public comments will be provided a maximum of five minutes to present their comments.

Minutes: Minutes will be available by writing or calling Melyssa P. Noe at the address and phone number listed above. Minutes will also be available at the following website: <https://energy.gov/orem/listings/oak-ridge-site-specific-advisory-board-meetings>.

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LaTanya R. Butler,

Deputy Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board, Northern New Mexico

AGENCY: Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a combined meeting of the Environmental Monitoring and Remediation Committee