

because the Board will discuss classified information and matters covered by Section 552b of Title 5, United States Code, subsection (c), subparagraph (1).

**Written Statements:** Any member of the public that wishes to provide input on the Air Force Scientific Advisory Board Winter Meeting must contact the meeting organizer at the phone number or email address listed in this announcement at least five working days prior to the meeting date. Please ensure that you submit your written statement in accordance with 41 CFR 102-3.140(c) and section 10(a)(3) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act. Statements being submitted in response to the agenda mentioned in this notice must be received by the Scientific Advisory Board meeting organizer at least five calendar days prior to the meeting commencement date. The Scientific Advisory Board meeting organizer will review all timely submissions and respond to them prior to the start of the meeting identified in this notice. Written statements received after this date may not be considered by the Scientific Advisory Board until the next scheduled meeting.

**Henry Williams, Jr.,**

*Acting Air Force Federal Register Liaison Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Office of the Secretary

[Docket ID: DOD-2018-OS-0061]

#### Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

**AGENCY:** National Guard Bureau (NGB), DoD.

**ACTION:** 30-day information collection notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Defense has submitted to OMB for clearance the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act.

**DATES:** Consideration will be given to all comments received by January 28, 2019.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments and recommendations on the proposed information collection should be emailed to Ms. Jasmeet Sehra, DoD Desk Officer, at [oira\\_submission@omb.eop.gov](mailto:oira_submission@omb.eop.gov). Please identify the proposed information collection by DoD Desk Officer, Docket ID number, and title of the information collection.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Fred Licari, 571-372-0493, or [whs.mc-alex.esd.mbx.dd-dod-information-collections@mail.mil](mailto:whs.mc-alex.esd.mbx.dd-dod-information-collections@mail.mil).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

**Title; Associated Form; and OMB Number:** Joint Services Support (JSS) System; OMB Control Number 0704-0537.

**Type of Request:** Extension

**Number of Respondents:** 281,400.

**Responses per Respondent:** 1.

**Annual Responses:** 281,400.

**Average Burden per Response:** 1 minute.

**Annual Burden Hours:** 4690.

**Needs and Uses:** The information collection requirement is necessary for the agency, its programs, and stakeholders, to ensure key activities may be associated with system-registrants for program management, accountability, reporting, and support purposes. Examples of use of such information include: Validating program-specific and congressionally-mandated event registration and attendance; enabling users to login to system to facilitate outreach and communication activities; supporting Civilian Employer Information (CEI) collection; and enabling leadership across the participating programs with oversight and reporting.

**Affected Public:** Individuals or households.

**Frequency:** On occasion.

**Respondent's Obligation:** Voluntary.

**OMB Desk Officer:** Ms. Jasmeet Sehra.

You may also submit comments and recommendations, identified by Docket ID number and title, by the following method:

- **Federal eRulemaking Portal:** <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

**Instructions:** All submissions received must include the agency name, Docket ID 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.

**DOD Clearance Officer:** Mr. Frederick Licari.

Requests for copies of the information collection proposal should be sent to Mr. Licari at [whs.mc-alex.esd.mbx.dd-dod-information-collections@mail.mil](mailto:whs.mc-alex.esd.mbx.dd-dod-information-collections@mail.mil).

Dated: December 20, 2018.

**Shelly E. Finke,**

*Alternate OSD Federal Register, Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Department of the Army, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

#### Announcement of the Selection of the Ten Pilot Projects Pursuant to Section 1122 of the Water Resources Development Act of 2016, Beneficial Use of Dredged Material

**AGENCY:** U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, DoD.

**ACTION:** Announcement.

**SUMMARY:** Section 1122 of the Water Resources Development Act (WRDA) of 2016 requires the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) establish a pilot program to recommend ten projects for the beneficial use of dredged material. In response to a **Federal Register** Notice issued on February 9, 2018, the USACE received 95 proposals for beneficial use of dredged material. Those 95 proposals were evaluated by a team of subject matter experts. Based on criteria contained in Section 1122, ten projects were selected as having a high likelihood of delivering environmental, economic, and social benefits described in the proposals, and exhibit geographic diversity.

**ADDRESSES:** An Environmental Assessment and Findings of No Significant Impact (EA/FONSI) were prepared for this action and are available upon email request sent to: [Section-1122-Beneficial-Use-Of-Dredged-Material@usace.army.mil](mailto:Section-1122-Beneficial-Use-Of-Dredged-Material@usace.army.mil).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Joseph R. Wilson, Environmental Dredging Program Manager, at 202-761-7697, or email: [joseph.r.wilson@usace.army.mil](mailto:joseph.r.wilson@usace.army.mil).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Section 1122 of WRDA 2016 requires the USACE establish a pilot program to carry out 10 projects for the beneficial use of dredged material, including projects for the purposes of—

- (1) Reducing storm damage to property and infrastructure;
- (2) promoting public safety;
- (3) protecting, restoring, and creating aquatic ecosystem habitats;
- (4) stabilizing stream systems and enhancing shorelines;
- (5) promoting recreation;
- (6) supporting risk management adaptation strategies; and

(7) reducing the costs of dredging and dredged material placement or disposal, such as projects that use dredged material for—

- (A) Construction or fill material;
- (B) civic improvement objectives; and
- (C) other innovative uses and placement alternatives that produce

public economic or environmental benefits.

The USACE has developed implementation guidance for carrying out the provisions of Section 1122. That implementation guidance can be obtained at <http://www.usace.army.mil/Missions/Civil-Works/Project-Planning/>

*Legislative-Links/wrda2016/wrda2016\_impguide*. Search Section 1122(a)–(h) for links to the implementation guidance and other Section 1122 information.

The ten recommended projects, listed alphabetically by state/territory follow:

CA .....	Restoring San Francisco Bay's Natural Infrastructure with Dredged Sediment: Strategic Placement.
HI .....	Haleiwa Small Boat Harbor Maintenance Dredging and Beach Restoration.
IL .....	Public Beach Protection Pilot in Four Illinois Coastal Communities.
MS .....	Deer Island Lagoon Project.
NJ .....	Beneficial Use Placement Opportunities in the State of New Jersey Using Navigation Channel Sediments: Barnegat Inlet.
PR .....	Condado Lagoon.
SC .....	Crab Bank Seabird Sanctuary.
TX .....	Hickory Cove Marsh Restoration and Living Shoreline.
WA .....	Grays Harbor South Jetty Sand Placement Pilot Project.
WI .....	Mississippi River Upper Pool 4, Pierce County Islands and Head of Lake Pepin Backwater Complex—Beneficial Use of Dredged Material.

The USACE process for evaluating all of the 95 proposals received and the decision to select the 10 projects is documented in the EA/FONSI. Further project specific evaluation of the 10 selected projects will be accomplished by the appropriate USACE office in accordance with Section 1122 implementation guidance and applicable USACE policies and regulations.

Dated: December 18, 2018.

**Thomas P. Smith,**

*Chief, Operations and Regulatory Division, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

**Department of the Army, Corps of Engineers**

**Intent To Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement for Chicago Area Waterway System Dredged Material Management Plan Study, Chicago, Illinois**

**AGENCY:** U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, DoD.

**ACTION:** Notice of intent.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) is preparing an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) for the Chicago Area Waterway System Dredged Material Management Plan Study. The study is sponsored by the Chicago Department of Transportation (CDOT) on behalf of the City of Chicago. The purpose of the EIS is to assess the likely social, economic, and environmental effects of a range of potential alternative plans to ensure that

maintenance dredging activities are performed in an environmentally acceptable manner, use sound engineering techniques, are economically warranted, and provide sufficient confined disposal capacity, as needed, for at least the next 20 years. Based on stakeholder and public concerns voiced throughout the process of preparing an Environmental Assessment, the Corps has determined that an EIS is warranted for the study.

**DATES:** *Previous Scoping* letters and outreach occurred between February 2, 2018 and March 5, 2018. *Public Workshops* were held on April 28, 2018 and April 30, 2018 to share preliminary analyses and further solicit public input on potential study alternatives.

**ADDRESSES:** Mr. Mike Padilla, Project Manager, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Chicago District, 231 South LaSalle Street, Suite 1500, Chicago, IL 60608.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For further information and/or questions about this Dredged Material Management Plan and EIS, please contact Mr. Mike Padilla, Project Manager, by *telephone:* 312–846–5427, by *email:* [michael.c.padilla@usace.army.mil](mailto:michael.c.padilla@usace.army.mil), or by *mail:* ATTN: Mike Padilla, Project Manager, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Chicago District, 231 South LaSalle Street, Suite 1500, Chicago, IL 60608.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Chicago District is preparing an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to determine the potential impacts of the Dredged Material Management Plan (DMMP) for the Chicago Area Waterway System (CAWS). The purpose of the DMMP is to find a new location for a Confined Disposal Facility (CDF) for contaminated sediment in the CAWS, which includes the Calumet River and Harbor and the Cal-Sag Channel. The

current CDF is approaching capacity and will be full by 2022.

Dredged material management planning for all federal harbor projects is conducted by the Corps to ensure that maintenance dredging activities are performed in an environmentally acceptable manner, use sound engineering techniques, are economically warranted, and that sufficient confined disposal facilities are available for at least the next 20 years. These plans address dredging needs, disposal capabilities, capacities of disposal areas, environmental compliance requirements, potential for beneficial use of dredged material, and indicators of continued economic justification. The federal navigation channels in the Chicago Area Waterway System are a vital part of the local and regional economy and the Corps regularly performs maintenance dredging to provide sufficient depths for safe and efficient navigation within Calumet Harbor & River.

The Calumet Harbor and River navigation project is the third largest by tonnage among Great Lakes harbors, with shipments and receipts totaling 14 million tons annually. Commercial navigation activities at the Calumet Harbor & River and Cal-Sag Channel are locally and regionally significant, supporting more than 3,700 jobs and \$600 million in annual sales in the Chicagoland area. If a plan for managing the dredged material is not identified, sediment would accumulate in the federal channel, reducing the safe depth at which vessels can operate, forcing ships to carry less cargo. Shipping costs would increase, impacting businesses at the harbor. The project requires annual dredging of approximately 50,000 cubic yards (CY) to maintain deep draft navigation. Dredged material is currently placed in the Chicago Area