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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Office of the Secretary

#### Renewal of Department of Defense Federal Advisory Committees

**AGENCY:** DoD.

**ACTION:** Renewal of Federal Advisory Committee.

**SUMMARY:** Under the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972, (5 U.S.C. Appendix, as amended), the Sunshine in the Government Act of 1976 (5 U.S.C. 552b, as amended), and 41 CFR 102-3.65, the Department of Defense gives notice that it is renewing the charter for the Board of Visitors Marine Corps University (hereafter referred to as the Board of Visitors).

The Board of Visitors, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 7102(e), is a non-discretionary Federal advisory committee established to provide independent advice and recommendations on matters pertaining to all aspects of the academic and administrative policies of the Marine Corps University.

While the statute is silent on the criteria and number of committee members, the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Secretary of the Navy, has determined that no more than sixteen members will be appointed to the Board of Visitors. The Department of Defense, to achieve a balanced membership, will include a cross-section of experts and eminent authorities in the field of education and the fields of study at the Marine Corps University.

The terms of office for those members appointed by the Secretary of Defense shall be for four years and their appointments are renewed on an annual basis. The President of the Board of Visitors shall be appointed for a two-year term through a vote of the voting membership. Members of the Board of Visitors, who are not full-time or permanent part-time Federal employees, shall serve as Special Government Employees under the authority of 5 U.S.C. 3109. with the exception of travel and per diem for official travel, the members shall serve without compensation.

The Board of Visitors shall meet at the call of the Designated Federal officer, in consultation with the Board of Visitors President and the Commanding General,

Marine Corps Combat Development Command. The Designated Federal Officer shall be a full-time or permanent part-time DoD employee, and shall be appointed in accordance with established DoD policies and procedures. The Designated Federal Officer or Alternate Designated Federal Officer shall attend all Board of Visitors' meetings and subcommittee meetings.

The Board of Visitors is authorized to establish subcommittees and workgroups, as necessary and consistent with its mission. Board of Visitors subcommittees and workgroups shall operate under the provisions of Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972, the Sunshine in the Government Act of 1976, and other appropriate Federal regulations.

Board of Visitors subcommittees and workgroups shall not work independently of the Board of Visitors and shall report all their recommendations and advice to the Board of Visitors for full deliberation and discussion. Board of Visitors subcommittees and workgroups have no authority to make decisions on behalf of the Board of Visitors and may not report directly to the Department of Defense or any Federal officers or employees who are not members of the Board of Visitors.

Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972 and 41 CFR 102-3.140(c), members of the public or interested groups may submit written statements to the members of the Board of Visitors. Written statements may be submitted at any time to the Board of Visitors' Designated Federal Officer or in response to the stated agenda of a planned meeting.

The contact information for the Designated Federal Officer for the Board of Visitors Marine Corps University can be obtained from the GSA's FACA Database: <https://www.fido.gov/facadatabase/public.asp>.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Contact Frank Wilson, Committee Management Officer for the Department of Defense, 703-601-2554.

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Department of the Air Force

[No. USAF-2007-0007]

#### Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

**ACTION:** Notice.

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 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

**DATES:** Consideration will be given to all comments received by May 30, 2007.

**Title, Form, and OMB Number:** Civil Aircraft Certificate of Insurance, DD Form 2400; Civil Aircraft Landing Permit, DD Form 2401; Civil Aircraft Hold Harmless Agreement, DD Form 2402; OMB Control Number 0701-0050.

**Type of Request:** Extension.

**Number of Respondents:** 3,600.

**Responses per Respondent:** 1.

**Annual Responses:** 3,600.

**Average Burden Per Response:** 30 minutes.

**Annual Burden Hours:** 1,800.

**Needs and Uses:** The collection of information is necessary to ensure that the security and operational integrity of military airfields are maintained; to identify the aircraft operator and the aircraft to be operated; to avoid competition with the private sector by establishing the purpose for use of military airfields; and to ensure the U.S. Government is not held liable if the civil aircraft becomes involved in an accident or incident while using military airfields, facilities, and services.

**Affected Public:** Individuals or households; Business or other-for-profit; Not-for-profit institutions.

**Frequency:** On Occasions.

**Respondent's Obligation:** Required to Obtain or Retain Benefits.

**OMB Desk Officer:** Ms. Hillary Jaffe.

Written comments and recommendations on the proposed information collection should be sent to Ms. Jaffe at the Office of Management and Budget, Desk Officer for DoD, Room 10236, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503.

You may also submit comments, identified by docket 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 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 contract information.

*DoD Clearance Officer*; Ms. Patricia Toppings. Written requests for copies of the information collection proposal should be sent to Ms. Toppings at WHS/ESD/Information Management Division, 1777 North Kent Street, RPN, Suite 11000, Arlington, VA 2209-2133.

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Department of the Navy

#### **Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement/ Overseas Environmental Impact Statement for Navy Atlantic Fleet Training in the Navy Cherry Point Range Complex and Notice of Public Scoping Meetings**

**AGENCY:** Department of the Navy, DOD.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to Section (102)(2)(c) of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969, as implemented by the Council on Environmental Quality Regulations (40 CFR parts 1500-1508), and Executive Order 12114, the Department of Navy (Navy) announces its intent to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS)/Overseas EIS to evaluate the potential environmental consequences associated with naval training operations in the Navy Cherry Point (CP) Range Complex. The Navy proposes to support current and emerging training and research, development, test, and evaluation (RDT&E) operations in the Navy CP Range Complex by: (1) Maintaining baseline operations at current levels; (2) increasing training operations from current levels as necessary to support the Fleet Readiness Training Plan (FRTP); (3) accommodating mission requirements associated with force structure change; and (4) implementing enhanced range complex capabilities. The EIS/OEIS study area is the Navy CP Range Complex which consists of surface and subsurface operating areas (OPAREAs), special use airspace (SUA), and instrumented ranges. The Navy CP

Range Complex encompasses: 18,617 nm<sup>2</sup> of offshore surface and subsurface OPAREA; 12,529 nm<sup>2</sup> of deep ocean area greater than 100 fathoms (600 feet); and 18,966 nm<sup>2</sup> of SUA (warning area). No land ranges or facilities are included within the study area for this EIS/OEIS. The focus of the EIS/OEIS is the exercises and other actions in the ocean environment. Issues associated with land-based ranges will be assessed separately by the U.S. Marine Corps.

The scope of actions to be analyzed in this EIS/OEIS includes current and proposed future Navy training and RDT&E within Navy-controlled operating areas, airspace, and instrumented ranges. It also includes proposed Navy-funded range capabilities enhancements, including infrastructure improvements, which support range complex training and RDT&E. Activities that involve the use of active sonar are conducted in the Navy CP Complex; however, those potential effects are being analyzed in detail in a separate document, the Atlantic Fleet Active Sonar Training EIS/OEIS. That separate sonar EIS/OEIS addresses active sonar use as a whole by the Atlantic Fleet in the eastern Atlantic Ocean (including waters that are part of the Navy CP Complex), and in the Gulf of Mexico. The results of that sonar EIS/OEIS will be incorporated into the Navy CP Range Complex EIS/OEIS to account for active sonar effects that could occur within the geographic area of the Navy CP Range Complex.

**Dates and Addresses:** Two public scoping meetings will be held, one in Morehead City, North Carolina and one in Wilmington, North Carolina, to receive oral and written comments on environmental concerns that should be addressed in the Navy CP Range Complex EIS/OEIS. Public scoping meetings will be held at the following dates, times, and locations: May 16, 2007, from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. at West Carteret High School, 4700 Country Club Road, Morehead City, North Carolina, and May 17, 2007, from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. at New Hanover High School, 1307 Market Street, Wilmington, North Carolina.

#### **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Kelly Knight, Naval Facilities Engineering Command Atlantic, (757) 322-4398.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Navy's mission is to maintain, train, and equip combat-ready naval forces capable of winning wars, deterring aggression and maintaining freedom of the seas. For that reason, Title 10 U.S.C. 5062 directs the Chief of Naval Operations to train all naval forces for combat. The

Chief of Naval Operations meets that direction, in part, by conducting at-sea training exercises and ensuring naval forces have access to ranges, OPAREAs and airspace where they can develop and maintain skills for wartime missions and conduct RDT&E of naval weapons systems. As such, Navy ranges, OPAREAs, and airspace must be maintained and/or enhanced to accommodate necessary training and testing activities in support of national security objectives.

The purpose of the proposed action is to: Achieve and maintain Fleet readiness using the Navy CP Range Complex to support current, emerging, and future training and RDT&E operations; expand warfare missions; and upgrade/modernize existing range capabilities to enhance and sustain Navy training and testing.

The need for the proposed action is to provide combat capable forces ready to deploy worldwide in accordance with Title 10 U.S.C 5062. Specifically, maintain current levels of military readiness by training and testing in the Navy CP Range Complex; accommodate future increases in operational training tempo in the Navy CP Range Complex and support the rapid deployment of naval units or strike groups; achieve and sustain readiness in ships and squadrons so that the Navy can quickly surge significant combat power in the event of a national crisis or contingency operation and consistent with FRTP; support the testing and training needed for new aircraft, vessels, weapons systems and missions; and maintain the long-term viability of the Navy CP Range Complex while protecting human health and the environment.

Three alternatives will be evaluated in the EIS/OEIS including: (1) The No Action Alternative comprising baseline operations and support of existing range capabilities; (2) Alternative 1 comprising the No Action Alternative plus additional operations, expanded warfare missions, accommodation of force structure changes including training and RDT&E resulting from the introduction of new vessels, aircraft, weapons systems and missions, and the implementation of enhancements to range infrastructure; and (3) Alternative 2, comprising Alternative 1 plus additional increases in training, and implementation of enhancements that will optimize training throughput in support of future contingencies. The EIS/OEIS will evaluate the environmental effects associated with: Airspace; noise; range safety; water resources; air quality; biological resources, including threatened and endangered species; land use;