

of bank stabilization, employing primarily riprap, and levee setbacks where feasible.

The planning area for the proposed actions is considered to be the entire Sacramento River Flood Control Project, and the Corps' current inventory of critical eroding sites will constitute a representative sample of the sites to eventually be treated. As streambank erosion is episodic and new critical sites can appear each year, the environmental analysis will be programmatic in nature allowing for future environmental impact analysis for specific projects, as needed.

2. *Alternatives.* The EIS/EIR will address the No Action alternative and five action alternatives including four different types of bank protection alternatives and a levee setback alternative. The four types of bank protection alternatives differ from one another in the amount and extent of rock protection placed and the environmental features (e.g., vegetation and instream woody material) incorporated in the design.

3. *Scoping Process.*

a. A series of public scoping meetings will be held in February 2009 to present information to the public and to receive comments from the public. These meetings are intended to initiate the process to involve concerned individuals, and local, State, and Federal agencies.

b. Significant issues to be analyzed in depth in the EIS/EIR include effects on river meander, hydraulics, wetlands and other waters of the U.S., vegetation and wildlife resources, special-status species, aesthetics, cultural resources, recreation, land use, fisheries, water quality, air quality, noise, transportation, visual resources, and socioeconomic; and cumulative effects of related projects in the study area.

c. The Corps will consult with the State Historic Preservation Officer to comply with the National Historic Preservation Act and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and National Marine Fisheries Service to comply with the Endangered Species Act. The Corps is also coordinating with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to comply with the Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act.

d. A 45-day public review period will be provided for individuals and agencies to review and comment on the draft EIS/EIR. All interested parties are encouraged to respond to this notice and provide a current address if they wish to be notified of the draft EIS/EIR circulation.

4. *Availability.* The draft EIS/EIR is scheduled to be available for public review and comment in October 2010.

Dated: January 22, 2009.

Thomas C. Chapman,

Colonel, Corps of Engineers, District Engineer.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Navy

Notice of Record of Decision for Atlantic Fleet Active Sonar Training

AGENCY: Department of the Navy, DoD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Navy (DON), after carefully weighing the operational and environmental consequences of the proposed action, announces its decision to designate areas along the East Coast of the United States and in the Gulf of Mexico where mid- and high-frequency active (MFA and HFA) sonar and the improved extended echo ranging (IEER) system training; maintenance; and research, development, test, and evaluation (RDT&E) activities will occur, and to conduct these activities. The Navy's decision regarding MFA sonar activities includes the advanced extended echo ranging (AEER) system as a replacement for the IEER system. The Navy considered applicable executive orders, including an analysis of the environmental effects of its actions outside the United States or its territories under Executive Order (EO) 12114, *Environmental Effects Abroad of Major Federal Actions*, and the requirements of EO 12898, *Federal Actions to Address Environmental Justice in Minority Populations and Low Income Populations*.

The proposed action will be accomplished as set forth in the No-Action Alternative, described in the Final Environmental Impact Statement/Overseas Environmental Impact Statement (EIS/OEIS) as the preferred alternative. Implementation of the preferred alternative could begin immediately. The preferred alternative represents the active sonar training and RDT&E activities necessary for Navy to meet its Title 10 obligation to organize, train, equip and maintain combat-ready naval forces and to successfully fulfill its current and future global mission of winning wars, deterring aggression, and maintaining freedom of the seas.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Record of Decision (ROD) has been distributed to all those individuals who requested a copy of the Final EIS/OEIS and agencies and organizations that received a copy of the Final EIS/OEIS.

The complete text of the Navy's ROD is available for public viewing on the project Web site at <http://www.afasteis.gcsa.com>, along with copies of the Final EIS/OEIS and supporting documents. Single copies of the ROD will be made available upon request by contacting Naval Facilities Engineering Command, Atlantic, Attention: Code EV22 (AFAST Project Manager), 6506 Hampton Boulevard, Norfolk, VA 23508-1278.

Dated: January 27, 2009.

A. M. Vallandingham

Lieutenant Commander, Judge Advocate General's Corps, U.S. Navy, Federal Register Liaison Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Navy

Notice of Record of Decision for Southern California Range Complex

AGENCY: Department of the Navy, DoD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Navy (DON), after carefully weighing the operational, and environmental consequences of the proposed action, announces its decision to support and conduct current, emerging, and future military readiness activities in the Southern California (SOCAL) Range Complex, to include San Clemente Island (SCI), as necessary to achieve and sustain Fleet readiness, including Navy training; Department of Defense (DoD) or other federal agency research, development, test, and evaluation (RDT&E) activities; and investment in range resources and range infrastructure, all in furtherance of the Navy's statutory obligations under Title 10 of the United States Code governing the roles and responsibilities of the Navy. In its decision, the Navy considered applicable executive orders, including an analysis of the environmental effects of its actions outside the United States or its territories under the provisions of Executive Order (EO) 12114, *Environmental Effects Abroad of Major Federal Actions*, and the requirements of EO 12898, *Federal Actions to Address Environmental Justice in Minority Populations and Low Income Populations*.

The proposed action will be accomplished as set out in Alternative 2, described in the Final Environmental Impact Statement/Overseas Environmental Impact Statement (EIS/

OEIS) as the preferred alternative. Implementation of the preferred alternative could begin immediately. Because of the Navy's Title 10 requirements to organize, train, equip, and maintain combat-ready forces, ongoing training and RDT&E activities within the SOCAL Range Complex will continue at current levels in the event that the preferred alternative is not implemented.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Record of Decision (ROD) has been distributed to all those individuals who requested a copy of the Final EIS/OEIS and agencies and organizations that received a copy of the Final EIS/OEIS. The full text of the Navy's ROD is available for public viewing on the project Web site at <http://www.socalrangecomplexeis.com>, along with copies of the Final EIS/OEIS and supporting documents. Single copies of the ROD will be made available upon request by contacting Mr. Kent Randall, Naval Facilities Engineering Command Southwest, Code OPME, 2730 McKean Street, Building 291, San Diego, CA 92136-5198, Telephone: 619-556-2168.

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A. M. Vallandingham,

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Proposed Agency Information Collection

AGENCY: U.S. Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice and request for OMB review and comment

SUMMARY: The Department of Energy (DOE) has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance, a proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. The Department of Energy is authorized to enter into voluntary agreements with U.S. industry under section 106 of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 (EPACT). The proposed data collection will be used to evaluate the success of the voluntary agreements and to report results to Congress. EPACT requires DOE to report to Congress on the effectiveness of the voluntary commitments to reduce industrial energy intensity. The reports to Congress should include an evaluation of the success of the voluntary agreements to reduce participant energy intensity, and

independent verification of a sample of energy savings estimates provided by participants. EPACT directs the reports to be submitted in 2012 and 2017.

In order to reduce the level of respondent burden required by participants, DOE has designed a data collection instrument which relies primarily upon pre-existing utility and energy-use data. In addition to information on company contacts and identification of participating plants, DOE is asking for a breakout of energy use by fuel type (in million metric British Thermal Units) aggregated across all of the plants that are voluntarily participating. DOE is asking for the annual change in the participants' aggregate energy intensity in units of percentage. Energy intensity may be calculated with existing organizational methods, or DOE's baselining tool which will be offered as a calculator. The calculator is not considered to be a data collection instrument. Finally, participants are asked to describe energy savings projects in simple, narrative form allowing respondents to provide summary information rather than detailed responses. DOE intends to calculate energy savings using the energy-use data from the baseline and current year, along with the baseline adjustment factor.

As a result of comments received during the 60 Day **Federal Register** Notice, DOE has increased the estimate of burden hours on respondent companies from 3 hours per plant to 10 hours per plant. This reflects the estimate received from the public, as well as the burden estimate used by the Manufacturing Energy Consumption Survey (MECS). While MECS collects similar information, it does not require manufacturers to provide an energy intensity number which is required for EPACT 2005.

DATES: Comments regarding this collection must be received on or before March 2, 2009. If you anticipate that you will be submitting comments, but find it difficult to do so within the period of time allowed by this notice, please advise the OMB Desk Officer of your intention to make a submission as soon as possible. The Desk Officer may be telephoned at 202-395-4650.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be sent to:

Desk Officer for the Department of Energy, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, New Executive Office Building, Room 10102, 735 17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20503; and to

Michaela Martin, Oak Ridge National Laboratory, PO Box 2008, MS-6070, Oak Ridge, TN 37831-6070, or by fax at 865-241-4152 or by e-mail at martinma@ornl.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument and instructions should be directed to Michaela Martin, Oak Ridge National Laboratory, PO Box 2008, MS-6070, Oak Ridge, TN 37831-6070, or by fax at 865-241-4152 or by e-mail at martinma@ornl.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This information collection request contains: (1) OMB No. {"New"}; (2) Information Collection Request Title: Save Energy Now Voluntary Pledge Report; (3) Type of Request: New; (4) Purpose: The Department of Energy is authorized to enter into voluntary agreements with U.S. industry under section 106 of the Energy Policy Act of 2005. Data will be collected from industry pledge participants, annually, on progress made towards the reduction of energy intensity goals established by the voluntary agreements. The data collected will be used to evaluate the success of the voluntary agreements and to report results to Congress; (5) Type of Respondents: Public; (6) Estimated Number of Respondents: 20 companies; (7) Estimated Number of Burden Hours: 20 respondent companies with approximately 14 plants each averaging 10 burden hours per plant for an estimated total of 2,800 burden hours; (8) Estimated Cost Burden: none.

Statutory Authority: 42 U.S.C. 15811.

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Rita L. Wells,

Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary for Business Administration, Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Environmental Impact Statements and Regulations; Availability of EPA Comments

Availability of EPA comments prepared pursuant to the Environmental Review Process (ERP), under section 309 of the Clean Air Act and Section 102(2)(c) of the National Environmental Policy Act as amended. Requests for copies of EPA comments can be directed