

considers developing transportable systems to defend elements of the armed forces of the United States deployed abroad, and United States' allies, against short- and medium-range missiles. The TMD segment was analyzed separately in the TMD Programmatic EIS, due to the distinct functions and independent utility of the TMD and NMD segments.

The decision conveyed by the ROD is to continue research, development, and testing of NMD capabilities. The decision includes continuing the NMD Technology Readiness Program but does not include the procurement or acquisition of an operational NMD system. Only limited NMD research, development, and testing is to continue. The acquisition of TMD system capabilities will continue as described in the TMD ROD published in the Federal Register on August 11, 1994 (59 FR 41277).

The specific decision with respect to NMD is to continue a focused approach to technology development in the form of the Technology Readiness Program (the Preferred Action in the Final PEIS). The program involves the development of existing and new technologies and test systems for BM/C3, GBS, GBI, and SBS elements. Research is to be focused to ensure the capability to deploy a limited NMD system in the next decade. Basic technology efforts will continue to infuse new advances as the program proceeds. Contingency planning and options development will continue to be conducted to meet unexpected threats.

Three NMD System Acquisition Alternatives were also evaluated. These alternatives consisted of proceeding with system acquisition and design of NMD elements through the Engineering and Manufacturing Development (EMD) phase of the DoD System Acquisition Life-cycle. Activities included in the EMD phase involve development and testing of elements up to, but not including, element and/or system production and basing. The System Acquisition Alternatives evaluated were:

1. Ground- and Space-Based Sensors and Ground- and Space-Based Interceptors System Acquisition Alternative (which consists of Engineering and Manufacturing Development of GBS, SBS, GBI, SBI, and BM/C3);
2. All Ground-Based System Acquisition Alternative (which consists of Engineering and Manufacturing Development of GBS, GBI, and BM/C3); and
3. Ground- and Space-Based Sensors and Ground-Based Interceptors System Acquisition Alternative (which consists of Engineering and Manufacturing

Development of GBS, SBS, GBI, and BM/C3).

The Final PEIS analyses determined that environmental impacts for the Preferred Action (No Action Alternative) or any of the three System Acquisition Alternatives would be minimal. The Final PEIS analyses found no significant and unavoidable environmental impacts for the Preferred Action or any of the three alternatives. The Preferred Action would be termed the *environmentally preferred alternative* since there would be fewer activities associated with its implementation, and therefore fewer impacts. The other alternatives would generally create greater areas of disturbance, require more resources, and create more and greater hazards than the Preferred Action although the environmental impact of all options would be minimal.

Therefore, the implementation of BMD research, development, and testing activities and associated mitigation measures will proceed with minimal adverse impact to the environment. BMDO Deputies and Program Executive Officers are tasked to monitor these activities to ensure that the required environmental standards and controls described in the Final PEIS are followed. BMDO activities will conform with all applicable Federal, state, and local statutes and regulations. Additionally, all reasonable and practical efforts and appropriate safeguards will be implemented to minimize harm to the public and the environment.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Richard Lehner, BMDO/SRE, Washington, DC 20301-7100, (703) 695-8743.

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Defense Base Closure and Realignment Commission Investigative Hearings

AGENCY: Defense Base Closure and Realignment Commission (a Presidentially appointed commission separate from and independent of DoD).
ACTION: Notice of a public, deliberative hearing.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to Public Law 101-510, as amended, the Defense Base Closure and Realignment Commission announces a day-long investigative hearing to be held in Washington, D.C.

The purpose of this hearing is for the Commission to consider additional and/or alternative bases to those recommended for closure and realignment by the Secretary of Defense on March 1, 1995.

The specific date, location, and general topics follow:

May 10 (Location: Hart Senate Office Building, Room 216)

—Chairpersons and representatives from each of the Commission staff's five review-and-analysis panels (Army, Navy, Air Force, InterAgency, and Joint-CrossService) present information concerning options for additional and/or alternative base-closure recommendations.

—Commission formally votes on additional and/or alternative bases as options for consideration.

The May 10 hearing will begin at 9 a.m. The building and room number are noted in parentheses following the date of the hearing. However, hearing location, date, and time are subject to change based upon availability of facilities.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Wade Nelson, Director of Communications, at (703) 696-0504.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Changes to the above schedule will be published in the Federal Register by the Commission. Please call the Commission to confirm dates, times, and locations prior to each event. Individuals needing special assistance should contact the Commission in advance of each event to facilitate their requirements.

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Defense Science Board Task Force on Combat Identification; Meeting

SUMMARY: The Defense Science Board Task Force on Combat Identification will meet in closed session on July 11-12, 1995 at the MITRE Corporation, Bedford, Massachusetts.

The mission of the Defense Science Board is to advise the Secretary of Defense through the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition and Technology) on scientific and technical matters as they affect the perceived needs of the Department of Defense. At this meeting the Task Force will evaluate the DoD long term strategy and plan for development and fielding of a

comprehensive situational awareness (SA) and combat identification (CID) architecture.

In accordance with Section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Public Law 92-463, as amended (5 U.S.C. App. II, (1988)), it has been determined that this DSB Task Force meeting concerns matters listed in 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(1) (1988), and that accordingly this meeting will be closed to the public.

Dated: April 24, 1995.

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Defense Science Board Task Force on Defense Mapping for Future Operations; Meetings

SUMMARY: The Defense Science Board Task Force on Defense Mapping for Future Operations will meet in closed session on May 2-3, 1995 at Science Applications International Corporation, Arlington, Virginia. In order for the Task Force to obtain time sensitive classified briefings, critical to the understanding of the issues, this meeting is scheduled on short notice.

The mission of the Defense Science Board is to advise the Secretary of Defense through the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition and Technology) on scientific and technical matters as they affect the perceived needs of the Department of Defense. At this meeting the Task Force will develop recommendations for implementing a cost-effective approach for providing geospatial information and products to Department of Defense users.

In accordance with Section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Public Law 92-463, as amended (5 U.S.C. App. II, (1988)), it has been determined that this DSB Task Force meeting, concerns matters listed in 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(1) (1988), and that accordingly this meeting will be closed to the public.

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Defense Science Board Task Force on Combat Identification; Change in Date of Advisory Committee Meeting

SUMMARY: The meeting of the Defense Science Board Task Force on Combat

Identification scheduled for June 13-14, 1995 as published in the Federal Register (Vol. 60, No. 54, Page 14932, Tuesday, March 21, 1995, FR Doc. 95-6956) will be held on June 14-15, 1995. In all other respects the original notice remains unchanged.

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Department of the Army

Intent To Prepare a Draft Environmental Impact Statement/ Environmental Impact Report for a Permit Application for Proposed Activities at Playa Vista, Los Angeles County, CA

AGENCY: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Los Angeles District, DOD.

ACTION: Notice of intent.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) is considering an application for Section 404 and Section 10 permits to (1) conduct dredge and fill activities to implement restoration of the Ballona Salt Marsh and (2) construct a marina or other saltwater boating facility and an adjacent mixed use (residential/commercial/visitor serving) community (marina).

The primary Federal concern is the dredging and discharging of materials within waters of the United States, including wetlands and potential significant impacts on the human environment. Therefore, in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), the Corps is requiring the preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) prior to consideration of any permit action. The Corps may ultimately make a determination to permit or deny either or both items (1) and (2) above, or permit or deny modified versions of items (1) and (2) above.

Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the City of Los Angeles will serve as Lead Agency for the preparation of an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for its consideration of development approvals within its jurisdiction. The County of Los Angeles will serve as a Responsible Agency under CEQA and will use the EIR for consideration of project approvals within its jurisdiction. The Corps and the City have agreed to jointly prepare a Draft EIS/EIR in order to optimize efficiency and avoid duplication. The Draft EIS/EIR is

intended to be sufficient in scope to address both the Federal and the state and local requirements and environmental issues concerning the proposed activities and permit approvals.

ADDRESSES: U.S. Army Engineer District, Los Angeles, Regulatory Branch, ATTN: File Number 95-0212-CSC, P.O. Box 2711, Los Angeles, California 90012.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Phone message or questions will be handled at 213-485-8009.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Project Site

The proposed project is located near Marina del Rey. The salt marsh restoration activities are planned for a portion of the project area known as Area B which is located within the City of Los Angeles. The marina development is planned for an adjacent portion of the project known as Area A within an unincorporated portion of the County of Los Angeles. The area proposed for salt marsh restoration is located in the remnant portions of the once extensive Ballona Salt Marsh. The proposed marina site is located within an area containing extensive fill resulting from previous Marina del Rey and flood control construction projects.

Proposed Action

The project applicant, Maguire Thomas Partners (MTP), proposes to restore a 190 acre salt marsh system within a substantially undeveloped area containing approximately 154 acres of existing degraded wetlands. Establishment of this proposed salt marsh system will include three actions: (1) Enhancement of the western portion of existing wetlands by reestablishing tidal flows to a mid-tidal regime; (2) restoration of the eastern portion of the wetlands by reestablishing tidal flow to a full tidal regime and (3) creation of new wetlands from existing uplands. The proposed project includes the construction of culverts providing access to tidal flows within the Ballona Channel. The proposed project also involves the widening of Culvert Boulevard to meet regional transportation demand.

It is further proposed that a water oriented mixed use community be constructed in Area A on 138.6 acres of substantially undeveloped property separated from the salt marsh restoration project by the Ballona Channel. This development would include a 48 acre marina, 2,576 residential units, 450 hotel rooms, 125,000 square feet of office space,