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Any shipment for entry under the Special Access Program which is not accompanied by a valid and correct certification in accordance with the provisions of the certification requirements established in the directive of January 24, 1990, as amended, shall be denied entry unless the Government of Guatemala authorizes the entry and any charges to the appropriate specific limit. Any shipment which is declared for entry under the Special Access Program but found not to qualify shall be denied entry into the United States.

The Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements has determined that these actions fall within the foreign affairs exception of the rulemaking provisions of 5 U.S.C. 553(a)(1).

Sincerely,

D. Michael Hutchinson,

*Acting Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Department of the Army

#### ARMS Initiative Implementation

**AGENCY:** Armament Retooling and Manufacturing Support (ARMS) Executive Advisory Committee (EAC).

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to Public Law 92-463, notice is hereby given of the next meeting of the Armament Retooling and Manufacturing Support (ARMS) Executive Advisory Committee (EAC). The EAC is chartered to develop new and innovative methods to maintain the government-owned, contractor-operated ammunition industrial base and retain critical skills for a national emergency. This meeting will update attendees on the status of ongoing actions with decisions being made to close out or continue these actions. Topics for this meeting include Funding Status, 10 U.S.C. 2692 Delegation of Authority, and Commercial Sector Privatization. This meeting is open to the public.

*Dates of Meeting:* December 9-10, 1998.

*Place of Meeting:* Holiday Inn Select, 130 Clairemont Avenue, Decatur, Georgia 30030.

*Time of Meeting:* 8:00 AM-5:00 PM on December 9 and 10.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Elwood H. Weber, ARMS Task Force, HQ Army Materiel Command, 5001

Eisenhower Avenue, Alexandria, Virginia 22333; Phone (703) 617-9788.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Participants are encouraged to make reservations immediately by calling (800) 225-6079. Be sure to mention that you will be attending the ARMS PPTF meeting to obtain the negotiated group rate of \$86.50 per night (plus 12% room tax). Request you contact Mike Perez on the ARMS Team, telephone (309) 782-3360 or Mike Lopez at (309) 782-4090, if you will be attending the meeting, so that our roster of attendees is accurate. This number may also be used if other assistance regarding the ARMS meeting is required.

**Gregory D. Showalter,**

*Army Federal Register Liaison Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Department of the Army

#### Forces Epidemiological Board (AFEB)

**AGENCY:** Office of The Surgeon General, DoD.

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with section 10(a)(2) of Public Law 92-463, The Federal Advisory Committee Act, this announces the forthcoming AFEB Infectious Disease Subcommittee meeting. This subcommittee will meet from 0700-1600 on Thursday, 10 December and 0800-1400 on Friday, 11 December. The purpose of the meeting is to address pending Board issues, provide briefings for Board members on topics related to ongoing and new Board issues, conduct subcommittee meetings, and to conduct an executive working session.

The meeting location will be at the Walter Reed Army Institute of Research, Washington, DC.

The meeting will be open to the public, but limited by space accommodations. Any interested person may attend, appear before or file statements with the committee at the time and in the manner permitted by the committee.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

COL Benedict Diniega, AFEB Executive Secretary, Armed Forces Epidemiological Board, Skyline Six, 5109 Leesburg Pike, Room 682, Falls Church, Virginia 22041-3258, (703) 681-8012/4.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** None.

**Gregory D. Showalter,**

*Army Federal Register Liaison Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Department of the Army

#### Army Science Board; Notice of Open Meeting

In accordance with Section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463), announcement is made of the following Committee Meeting:

*Name of Committee:* Army Science Board (ASB).

*Date of Meeting:* 16 November 1998.

*Time of Meeting:* 0900-1600.

*Place:* 490 L'Enfant Plaza, SW, Suite 7170, Washington, DC 20024.

*Agenda:* The Army Science Board's (ASB) Summer Study Panel on "Improving Mobility for Army XXI and Beyond" will meet for discussions. This meeting will be open to the public. Any interested person may attend, appear before, or file statements with the committee at the time and in the manner permitted by the committee. For further information, please call our office at (703) 604-7490.

**Wayne Joyner,**

*Program Support Specialist, Army Science Board.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Corps of Engineers, Department of the Army

#### Intend To Prepare a Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (DSEIS) for Proposed Improvements to the Chesapeake & Delaware Canal and Connecting Channels, Delaware and Maryland

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

**ACTION:** Notice of Intent.

**SUMMARY:** The action being taken is an evaluation of the outstanding issues of concern raised by State and Federal agencies and local interest groups during the Feasibility Study for the Chesapeake and Delaware Canal-Baltimore Harbor Connecting Channels (Deepening), Delaware and Maryland.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Questions regarding the DSEIS should be addressed to Ms. Barbara Conlin, (215) 656-6557, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, CENAP-PL-E, Wanamaker

Building, 100 Penn Square East,  
Philadelphia, PA 19107-3390.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**1. Proposed Action**

a. The proposed document will address outstanding economic issues including the appropriate channel depth. Potential environmental impacts will be further evaluated, including possible impacts to groundwater quality from the disposal of dredged material, loss of groundwater into the canal/river, bank erosion, impacts to aquatic resources and water quality impacts in the Chesapeake Bay.

b. The authority for the proposed project is the resolution adopted by the House of Representatives Committee on Public Works and Transportation September 8, 1988.

c. The resolution authorized the review of existing reports of the Chief of Engineers for the Inland Waterway-Delaware River to Chesapeake Bay, Delaware and Maryland, and the report on the Baltimore Harbor and Channels, Maryland, with a view to determine the feasibility of measures to promote and encourage the efficient, economic, and logical development of the channel system serving the Port of Baltimore.

**2. Alternatives**

In response to the study resolution a reconnaissance report was completed in February 1990 at 100% Federal expense. The results indicated there was Federal interest in further feasibility phase studies of improvements to the canal and the connecting channels. The feasibility phase of study was cost-shared 50%-50% between the Maryland Port Administration (MPA) and the Federal government and was completed in December 1996 with the issuance of the Chief of Engineers' report. The Chief of Engineers' report concluded that the plan developed by the reporting officers was engineeringly sound. The review also found that the Reedy Point entrance flare, bend widening at Sandy Point, and the establishment of an emergency anchorage at Howell Point were economically justified. However, questions remain regarding the appropriate channel depth which are to be addressed during this phase of study (Planning, Engineering and Design).

**3. Scoping**

a. The Planning, Engineering and Design (PED) phase was initiated 8 April 1997 with the execution of a cost sharing agreement between the Federal government and the MPA. As part of the PED phase a working group has been established to help disseminate information to the interested public,

review the information, make suggestions on the study process, and assure that all the issues are addressed. Also, as part of the PED phase, several repositories have been established at local libraries, Corps offices, and the MPA offices. The repositories contain pertinent reports from the feasibility study as well as information developed during the on-going PED phase.

b. The scoping process is on-going and has involved coordination with Federal, State, and local agencies and interest groups. The public and all agencies are invited to comment on this proposal. Any pertinent information that Federal, State or local agencies or the private sector can provide will be used to the greatest extent possible. We welcome any assistance and suggestions pertaining to the conduct of this study. All comments should be directed to the above address, Attn: CENAP-PL-E.

**4. Availability**

It is estimated that the DSEIS will be made available to the public in Spring 2000.

**Leonard J. Lipski,**

*Assistant Chief of Planning Division.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

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

**Intent To Prepare a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) for the Lee County Beach Erosion Control Project, Gasparilla and Estero Islands, Lee County, Florida**

**AGENCY:** U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Department of Defense.

**ACTION:** Notice of intent.

**SUMMARY:** The Jacksonville District, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers intends to prepare a Draft Environmental Impact Statement for the Lee County Beach Erosion Control Project, Gasparilla and Estero Islands, Lee County, Florida.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Kenneth Dugger, 904-232-1686, Environmental Branch, Planning Division, P.O. Box 4970, Jacksonville, Florida 32232-0019.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Beach Erosion Control Project for Lee County, Florida, was authorized in accordance with recommendations of the Chief of Engineers in House Document number 91-393, under the provisions of Section 201 of the Flood Control Act of 1965 enacted by House Resolution dated December 15, 1970, and Senate

Resolution dated December 17, 1970. The authorization provides for Federal participation in beach restoration and periodic nourishment along portions of the Gulf shore of Lee County. Captiva Island was included in this authorization and has been constructed. The proposed action consists of a protective beach, estimated berm width of up to 120 feet, along 2.7 miles of shore on Gasparilla Island, and 4.6 miles on Estero Island. The borrow site for Estero Island has an area of 1.59 square miles, and is located in the Gulf approximately 1.5 miles southwest of Sanibel Island. The borrow site for Gasparilla Island has an area of 2.8 square miles, and is located in the Gulf just north of Boca Grande Pass.

**Alternatives:** Alternatives considered include no action, non-structural measures, the construction of revetments, perched beaches, breakwaters, beach fills of varying widths, construction of submerged near-shore berms, beach fill transitions, and a beach fill/groin combination. Alternative sand sources in addition to the use of the proposed borrow area for nourishment, include the use of other local offshore sand sources, the use of other sand sources such as upland sources, Bahamian sand, other foreign sands, or other distant sources.

**Issues:** The EIS will consider impacts on hardbottom communities, protected species, shore protection, health and safety, water quality, aesthetics and recreation, fish and wildlife resources, cultural resources, energy conservation, socio-economic resources, and other impacts identified through scoping, public involvement, and interagency coordination.

**Scoping:** A scoping letter was sent to interested parties on August 12, 1996. In addition, all parties are invited to participate in the scoping process by identifying any additional concerns on issues, studies needed, alternatives, procedures, and other matters related to the scoping process. At this time, there are no plans for a public scoping meeting.

**Public Involvement:** We invite the participation of affected Federal, state and local agencies, affected Indian tribes, and other interested private organizations and parties.

**Coordination:** The proposed action is being coordinated with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) and the National Marine Fisheries Service under Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act, with the State Historic Preservation Officer, and with the FWS under the Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act. A request and scope of work for a Fish and