

have previously expressed or are known to have an interest in activities associated with the closure of Fort McClellan. Additionally, two public scoping meetings will be held. One meeting will be held in Talladega, AL and the other scoping meeting will be held in Anniston, Alabama. The public, as well as Federal, State, and local agencies are encouraged to participate in these scoping meetings and/or submit data, information, and comments by mail identifying relevant environmental and socioeconomic issues to be addressed in this environmental analysis. Comments and information should be mailed to Mr. L Z Johnson at the above address. Requests to be placed on the mailing list for announcements and the Draft EIS should also be sent to Mr. L Z Johnson. The first public scoping meeting will be held at the Colony House Motel, Banquet Room, 65600 Highway 77 North, Talladega, AL at 7:30 PM, CST, on Tuesday, March 16, 1999. The second public scoping meeting will be held at the City Meeting Center, Meeting Room B, 1615 Noble Street, Anniston, AL at 7:30 PM, CST, on Wednesday, March 17, 1999.

4. Related Documents

Environmental Assessment For the Center for Domestic Preparedness, Fort McClellan, Alabama, U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, July 1998 and Final Environmental Impact Statement for Disposal and Reuse of Fort McClellan, Alabama, U.S. Department of the Army, August 1998.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Office of the Secretary

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Review

February 16, 1999.

The Department of Labor (DOL) has submitted the following public information collection request (ICR) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13, 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35). A copy of the ICR, with applicable supporting documentation, may be obtained by calling the Department of Labor, Departmental Clearance Officer, Todd R. Owen ({202} 219-5096 ext. 143) or by E-Mail to Owen-Todd@dol.gov.

Comments should be sent to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attn: OMB Desk Officer for the Office of the Secretary, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503 ({202} 395-7316), on or before March 22, 1999. The OMB is particularly interested in comments which:

- Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;
- Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumption used;
- Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

Agency: Office of the Secretary.

Title: Applicant Background

Questionnaire.

OMB Number: 1225-0072 (Revision).

Frequency: On occasion.

Affected Public: Applicants for positions recruited in the Department of Labor.

Number of Respondents: 3,000.

Estimated Time Per Respondent: 5 minutes.

Total Burden Hours: 250.

Total Annualized Capital/startup

Costs: \$0.

Total Annual (operating/
maintaining): \$0.

Description: The Applicant Background Questionnaire gathers information concerning the gender, race or ethnic background, and disability status of applicants for employment. Applicants for employment are asked to voluntarily complete this form to assist the agency in evaluating and improving its efforts to publicize job openings and to encourage applications for employment, from a diverse group of qualified candidates, including minorities and persons with disabilities. The Department will use the information to assess the effectiveness of specific outreach efforts and means of communicating information on job vacancies. The form is revised to delete the applicant's Social Security Number for the requested responses, and to add a question concerning whether an

applicant's disability is among a list of targeted disabilities.

Todd R. Owen,

Departmental Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment Standards Administration; Wage and Hour Division

Minimum Wages for Federal and Federally Assisted Construction; General Wage Determination Decisions

General wage determination decisions of the Secretary of Labor are issued in accordance with applicable law and are based on the information obtained by the Department of Labor from its study of local wage conditions and data made available from other sources. They specify the basic hourly wage rates and fringe benefits which are determined to be prevailing for the described classes of laborers and mechanics employed on construction projects of a similar character and in the localities specified therein.

The determinations in these decisions of prevailing rates and fringe benefits have been made in accordance with 29 CFR Part 1, by authority of the Secretary of Labor pursuant to the provisions of the Davis-Bacon Act of March 3, 1931, as amended (46 Stat. 1494, as amended, 40 U.S.C. 276a) and of other Federal statutes referred to in 29 CFR Part 1, Appendix, as well as such additional statutes as may from time to time be enacted containing provisions for the payment of wages determined to be prevailing by the Secretary of Labor in accordance with the Davis-Bacon Act. The prevailing rates and fringe benefits determined in these decisions shall, in accordance with the provisions of the foregoing statutes, constitute the minimum wages payable on Federal and federally assisted construction projects to laborers and mechanics of the specified classes engaged on contract work of the character and in the localities described therein.

Good cause is hereby found for not utilizing notice and public comment procedure thereon prior to the issuance of these determinations as prescribed in 5 U.S.C. 553 and not providing for delay in the effective date as prescribed in that section, because the necessity to issue current construction industry wage determinations frequently and in large volume causes procedures to be impractical and contrary to the public interest.