

The charter and contact information for the DHB's Designated Federal Officer (DFO) are found at <https://www.facadatabase.gov/FACA/apex/FACAPublicAgencyNavigation>.

The DHB provides independent advice and recommendations to maximize the safety and quality of, as well as access to, health care for DoD health care beneficiaries. The DHB will focus on matters pertaining to: (a) DoD health care policy and program management; (b) the delivery of high-quality health care services to DoD beneficiaries; (c) the promotion of health, wellness, and prevention within the DoD; (d) the treatment of disease and injury by the DoD; (e) health research priorities; and (f) other health-related matters of special interest to the DoD, as determined by the Secretary of Defense or the Deputy Secretary of Defense ("the DoD Appointing Authority"), or the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness (USD(P&R)). All DHB work will be in response to written terms of reference (ToR) approved by the DoD Appointing Authority or the USD(P&R), unless otherwise provided in statute or Presidential directive.

The DHB shall be composed of no more than 20 members, and as determined by the DoD Appointing Authority, the DHB's total parent-level and subcommittee-level membership cannot exceed 50 members unless otherwise directed by the DoD Appointing Authority. Membership will consist of private and public health care leaders with a diversity of background, experience, and thought in support of the DHB mission in one or more of the following disciplines: health systems, clinical health care, infectious disease, public health, trauma medicine, beneficiary representation, health informatics, patient care safety/quality care, neuroscience, and/or behavioral health.

The appointment or designation of DHB members to the DHB shall be approved by the DoD Appointing Authority for a term of service of one-to-four years, with annual renewals, in accordance with DoD policy and procedures. No member, unless approved by the DoD Appointing Authority, may serve more than two consecutive terms of service on the DHB, to include its subcommittees, or serve on more than two DoD Federal advisory committees at one time. The DoD Appointing Authority shall appoint the DHB's leadership from among the membership previously approved to serve on the DHB, in accordance with DoD policy and procedures, for a leadership term of service of one-to-two

years, with annual renewal, not to exceed the member's approved DHB appointment.

DHB members who are not full-time or permanent part-time Federal civilian officers or employees, or active-duty members of the Uniformed Services, shall be appointed as experts or consultants pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 3109 to serve as special government employee (SGE) members. DHB members who are full-time or permanent part-time Federal civilian officers or employees, or active-duty members of the Uniformed Services, shall be designated pursuant to 41 CFR 102-3.130(a) to serve as regular government employee (RGE) members. The DoD Appointing Authority shall appoint the DHB's leadership from among the membership previously approved to serve on the DHB in accordance with DoD policy and procedures, for a term of service of one-to-two years, with annual renewal, which shall not exceed the member's approved DHB appointment or designation.

DHB members are appointed or designated to exercise their own best judgment on behalf of the DoD, without representing any particular points of view, and to discuss and deliberate in a manner that is free from conflicts of interest. Except for reimbursement of official DHB-related travel and per diem, DHB members serve without compensation.

The public or interested organizations may submit written statements to the DHB about the DHB's mission and functions. Written statements may be submitted at any time or in response to the stated agenda of planned meeting of the DHB. All written statements shall be submitted to the DFO for the DHB, and this individual will ensure that the written statements are provided to the membership for their consideration.

Dated: November 25, 2024.

**Aaron T. Siegel,**

*Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Department of the Navy

#### Notice of Intent for Naval Station Newport Water and Wastewater Infrastructure Divestment

**AGENCY:** Department of the Navy (DON), Department of Defense (DoD).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The DON (or "Government") is issuing this solicitation to enter into a land conveyance agreement ("Solicitation") to convey Naval Station Newport's ("NS Newport") water and wastewater infrastructure, located in Newport, RI. The Navy is investigating the use of the Exchange Pilot Authority to execute a long-term divestment strategy for the water and wastewater infrastructure at Naval Station Newport. The DON vision is to divest of the Government owned class II property via a Bill of Sale, then enter into a mutually beneficial real estate agreement containing the easement area for the utilities traversing the DON property, whereby an interested eligible party maintains the infrastructure and provides water and wastewater services to the installation, Government entities and surrounding community via a Utility Service Contract. In-Kind Consideration (IKC) will be provided to the DON in the form of credit towards the water and wastewater bill.

**DATES:** The Secretary concerned shall submit a copy of the Federal Registrar notice to ASD(S) no later than 7 calendar days prior to notification. Request for Proposals (RFP) will be released to SAM.gov on December 13, 2024.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Command NAVFAC MIDLANT NORFOLK, Attn: Heather Stadler, Deputy Director Real Estate Division, 757-341-2000 [heather.m.stadler2.civ@us.navy.mil](mailto:heather.m.stadler2.civ@us.navy.mil).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** DON is seeking a potential offer to demonstrate the following qualifications in response to the Request for Proposal. Summary of relevant experience, past and present performance, financial information/history, as well as Development Plan and Maintenance and Management Capability. The submitted information will assist DON in selecting one offeror to move forward into exclusive and technical negotiations. The following entities have been identified as potential offerors due to their response to the Request For Information (RFI), released on March 8, 2024: American Water, Carver Water, and ASUS.

Naval Station Newport, on behalf of DON, is currently responsible for the operation, maintenance, distribution, and capital improvements of the Installation's Potable Water and Wastewater Infrastructure. Due to limited manpower, funding, and utilization, the Business Case Analysis (BCA) determined it is the best interest of DON to divest these assets and associated operations to an eligible entity willing and able to enter into an

Exchange Agreement with the DON. The infrastructure proposed is owned by the Government, who is responsible for the operation and maintenance. The Navy infrastructure ties into larger City of Newport (“City”)–operated systems, and the City provides water and wastewater services to both Government and private customers. The underlying property is primarily owned by the DON, but exceptions exist where the DON is required to provide services on non-Government owned land or where DON infrastructure runs on or through non-Government owned land to connect with the City provider of potable water and wastewater treatment or provide services to private customers. The DON will continue operating under its agreements with the City for purchase of the commodities, particularly related to its rate determinations and allowable allocations.

The DON expects the selected offeror to acquire the utility infrastructure and approximately 464.44 acres of property surrounding the system.

The potable water distribution infrastructure consists of two separate licensed potable infrastructure that are regulated by the Rhode Island Department of Health (RIDOH). These two infrastructures are for the Main Base and Fort Adams. The infrastructure consists of approximately 55 miles of distribution piping, four fire pump stations and four underground reservoirs. Potable water is purchased from the City of Newport through metered connections.

The water infrastructure consists of the following components:

- Four (4) fire pumping stations;
- Four (4) underground reservoirs;
- 520 fire hydrants;
- 3,000 valves; and
- 55 miles of potable water line.

The Naval Station Newport wastewater collection and pumping system includes systems across the installation serving Coasters Harbor Island, Coddington Cove, Coddington Point, the Naval Undersea Warfare Center (NUWC), Navy Housing, and other activities. There are a total of 15 service areas that make up the sanitary sewer collection system. Additionally, sewage flows from private customers that purchase water directly from the municipality and are directed to the NAVSTA sanitary sewer system. The sewer collection system consists of approximately 33 miles of gravity lines, six miles of force mains, and 15 pump stations. Wastewater is discharged through three main connections to the City of Newport. These are pump stations 48 (Coddington Cove), 68 (Training Station), and 338 (Coddington

Point). The average sewage flow for Naval Station Newport is approximately 1 million gallons per day. Naval Station Newport purchases all of its wastewater treatment services from the City of Newport.

The City of Newport recently completed a \$35M+ capital improvement project at the wastewater treatment plant facility and the Navy provided funding in the amount of \$5.863M in FY20 for the Navy proportional share of these improvements.

The wastewater collection infrastructure can be broken down as follows:

- 33 miles of gravity service mains;
- six miles of force mains;
- 790 manholes; and
- 16 pump stations.

*Minimum Fair Market Value:* An appraisal will be completed by the Selected Offeror during Phase II of the RFP in accordance with the Uniform Standards of Professional Appraisal Practice (USPAP) and reviewed by a government appraiser. The appraisal will be completed after the survey of the infrastructure has been accepted and will establish the minimum fair market value.

*Authority:* Under the use of 10 U.S.C 2869, Exchange of Property at Military Installations, as further amended by section 2862 for the William M. “Mac” Thornberry National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA) for Fiscal Year 2021, as implemented by the Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Sustainment) Memo, “Establishment of Pilot Program to Expand Real Property Exchange Authority”, dated 30 June 2021, the DON is investigating the divestment of the water and wastewater infrastructure at Naval Station Newport. In exchange, DON is seeking IKC, as authorized under the authority, to include the five-year pilot program, to exercise temporary expanded real property exchange authority to accept installation support services (as defined in 10 U.S.C. 2679(f)).

Dated: November 25, 2024.

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

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**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

**Secretary of Energy Advisory Board;  
Correction Department of Energy.**

**ACTION:** Notice of open meeting, correction.

**SUMMARY:** On November 20, 2024, the Department of Energy published a notice of open meeting announcing a meeting on December 10, 2024, of the Secretary of Energy Advisory Board (SEAB). This document makes a location and time correction to that notice. The meeting will now be held from 11:45 a.m.–1 p.m. EDT with virtual attendance only.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** David Borak, Designated Federal Officer; U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20585; Telephone: (202) 586–5216 or Email: [seab@hq.doe.gov](mailto:seab@hq.doe.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Corrections**

1. In the **Federal Register** of November 20, 2024, in FR Doc. 2024–27102, on page 89 FR 91722, starting in the second column, correct the **DATES** caption to read:

**DATES:** Tuesday, December 10, 2024; 11:45 a.m.–1 p.m.

2. On page 89 FR 91722, starting in the second column, correct the **ADDRESSES** caption to read:

**ADDRESSES:** This meeting is open to the public virtually. Registration is required by registering at the SEAB meeting page at: [www.energy.gov/seab/seab-meetings](http://www.energy.gov/seab/seab-meetings).

3. On page 89 FR 91722, starting in the third column, correct the *Tentative Agenda* to read:

*Tentative Agenda:* The meeting will start at 11:45 a.m. Eastern Time on December 10, 2024. The tentative meeting agenda includes: roll call, remarks from the SEAB chair, discussion of the SEAB report on artificial intelligence and permitting, and public comment. The meeting will conclude at approximately 1 p.m. Meeting materials can be found here: [www.energy.gov/seab/seab-meetings](http://www.energy.gov/seab/seab-meetings).

*Signing Authority:* This document of the Department of Energy was signed on November 22, 2024, by Alyssa Petit, Deputy Committee Management Officer, pursuant to delegated authority from the Secretary of Energy. That document with the original signature and date is maintained by DOE. For administrative purposes only, and in compliance with requirements of the Office of the Federal Register, the undersigned DOE Federal Register Liaison Officer has been