

ACTION: Proposed additions to Procurement List.

SUMMARY: The Committee has received proposals to add to the Procurement List a commodity and a service to be furnished by nonprofit agencies employing persons who are blind or have other severe disabilities.

COMMENTS MUST BE RECEIVED ON OR BEFORE: June 12, 1995.

ADDRESSES: Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled, Crystal Square 3, Suite 403, 1735 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, Virginia 22202-3461.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Beverly Milkman (703) 603-7740.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This notice is published pursuant to 41 U.S.C. 47(a)(2) and 41 CFR 51-2.3. Its purpose is to provide interested persons an opportunity to submit comments on the possible impact of the proposed actions.

If the Committee approves the proposed additions, all entities of the Federal Government (except as otherwise indicated) will be required to procure the commodity and service listed below from nonprofit agencies employing persons who are blind or have other severe disabilities.

I certify that the following action will not have a significant impact on a substantial number of small entities. The major factors considered for this certification were:

1. The action will not result in any additional reporting, recordkeeping or other compliance requirements for small entities other than the small organizations that will furnish the commodity and service to the Government.

2. The action does not appear to have a severe economic impact on current contractors for the commodity and service.

3. The action will result in authorizing small entities to furnish the commodity and service to the Government.

4. There are no known regulatory alternatives which would accomplish the objectives of the Javits-Wagner-O'Day Act (41 U.S.C. 46-48c) in connection with the commodity and service proposed for addition to the Procurement List.

Comments on this certification are invited. Commenters should identify the statement(s) underlying the certification on which they are providing additional information.

The following commodity and service have been proposed for addition to Procurement List for production by the nonprofit agencies listed:

Commodity

Shower Pail, Collapsible
8465-00-935-6649
NPA: North Bay Rehabilitation Services, Inc.,
San Rafael, California

Service

Janitorial/Custodial, IRS Service Center
Complex, Memphis, Tennessee
NPA: Memphis Goodwill Industries, Inc.,
Memphis, Tennessee

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Navy

Public Hearing for the Draft Environmental Impact Statement for Establishment of the United States Navy Mine Warfare Center of Excellence in the Corpus Christi Bay Area, Texas

Pursuant to section 102(2)(c) of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969 as implemented by the Council on Environmental Quality regulations (40 CFR parts 1500-1508), the Department of the Navy has prepared and filed with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) for establishment of the United States Navy Mine Warfare Center of Excellence (the "Center") in the Corpus Christi Bay Area, Texas.

The Navy proposes to collocate the majority of its mine warfare and mine counter measures assets in proximity to each other at the Ingleside/Corpus Christi Naval Complex. This will allow for comprehensive air and surface mine warfare training and joint operations. Congress directed the Navy to establish the "Center" at Naval Station Ingleside, Texas, in the FY 1994 Defense Appropriations Act. The DEIS evaluates the reasonable alternatives to implementing the proposed action in the Corpus Christi Bay area. In addition to the various facility location alternatives, a "no action" alternative was evaluated which the "Center" would not be established.

The proposed action includes new construction and/or modification of existing facilities at Naval Station Ingleside and Naval Air Station Corpus Christi, and proposes the establishment of training and operating areas in the Gulf of Mexico. Construction would consist of a magnetic silencing facility, an aviation mine counter measures sled facility, a small craft pier, and the construction and/or modification of

facilities needed to support two MH-53E Sea Dragon helicopter squadrons and one explosive ordnance disposal mobil unit. The training and operating areas would be located off North Padre Island and within Mineral Management Service Lease Blocks 732, 733, 734, 793, 799, and 816. This would include an ordnance detonation area required for the detonation of practice mines using a maximum of 10 pounds of C-4 explosive. Surface restrictions in these areas would be established to allow for both daily training and quarterly integrated training. The establishment of the "Center" involves the transfer of approximately 4,820 military personnel and their families (approximately 4,877 dependents) to the Corpus Christi Bay Area.

Dredging activities associated with the project involve new work dredging and subsequent maintenance dredging of the magnetic silencing facility. Dredging for the magnetic silencing facility would require removal of between 250,000 and 410,000 cubic yards of material to obtain the depth of water required for facility and turning basin operations. The total 50-year dredging maintenance requirement could range between 400,000 to 650,000 cubic yards, depending upon the initial area dredged. The existing Navy disposal area near Ingleside would be used for dredge material disposal.

The DEIS has been distributed to various federal, state, and local agencies, elected officials, special interest groups, and interest individuals. It is also on file and available for review at the Corpus Christi Public Library (Main branch and Flour Bluff branch) and at the Ingleside Public Library. A limited number of single copies are available at the address listed at the end of this notice.

The Navy will conduct two public hearings to inform the public of the DEIS findings and to solicit comments: The first hearing will be on Tuesday, June 6, 1995, beginning at 7 p.m. at the Flour Bluff ISD Auditorium, 2505 Waldron Road, Flour Bluff, Texas; and the second hearing will be on Wednesday, June 7, 1995, beginning at 7 p.m. at the Ingleside High School Cafeteria, 640 Mustang Drive, Ingleside, Texas. Federal, state, and local agencies, and interested parties are invited to be present or represented at the hearing. Oral comments will be heard and transcribed by a stenographer. To assure accuracy of the record, all comments should be submitted in writing. All comments, both oral and written, will become part of the public record in the study. In the interest of available time, each speaker will be asked to limit oral

comments to five (5) minutes. Longer comments should be summarized at the public hearing and submitted in writing either at the hearing or mailed to the address listed at the end of this announcement. All written comments must be postmarked by June 19, 1995, to become part of the official record. The public hearing will be conducted in English, but the Navy will make every reasonable effort to accommodate requests for language interpreters or other special communication needs. Such requests must be made to the person listed below at least two days prior to the public hearings.

Additional information concerning this notice may be obtained by contacting: Mr. Will Sloger (Code 064WS), Southern Division, Naval Facilities Engineering Command, P.O. Box 190010, North Charleston, South Carolina 29419-9010, telephone (803) 743-0797.

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Intent To Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement for the Proposed Master Land Withdrawal Naval Air Station Fallon, Nevada

Pursuant to section 102(2)(c) of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969 as implemented by the Council on Environmental Quality regulations (40 CFR parts 1500-1508), the Department of the Navy announces its intent to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the withdrawal of federally-owned lands around Naval Air Station (NAS) Fallon training ranges in Churchill County, Nevada.

The purpose of this action, termed Master Land Withdrawal, is to provide noise, safety, and off-range ordnance hazard buffers around training ranges. The need is based on the increased technological complexity of aerial training and the development and expansion of populated areas in the Fallon region over the last 50 years. The withdrawal footprint is based on the Department of Defense Range Air Installation Compatibility Use Zone (RAICUZ) study of 1982 and the NAS Fallon Range Hazard Analysis Mitigation Report of 1994. These reports define noise, safety, and land use compatibility zones to protect the public and the military users of the training ranges.

Located in the Lahontan Valley of Churchill County in the west central Nevada, NAS Fallon was transferred from the Army to the Navy in 1942. In 1953, NAS Fallon withdrew public lands for training ranges Bravo-16, Bravo-17, and Bravo-19. Due to technological advances in aircraft, weaponry, and training, public safety has become a concern around the training ranges. The proposed action would withdraw up to approximately 189,000 acres of additional land around the existing training ranges to provide safety and noise buffer zones. The Department of the Interior currently administers the lands proposed for withdrawal through the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) and Bureau of Reclamation (BUREC).

The mission of NAS Fallon is to provide realistic training and practice opportunities in the use of modern military equipment and tactics for military aircrews, primarily those of high performance jet fighters, strike-fighters, and electronic warfare support aircraft. The withdrawn lands are a critical resource for NAS Fallon in upholding its mission. The objectives of the proposed action are fourfold:

1. Meet training requirements for national defense.
2. Fulfill established operation and RAICUZ safety guidelines.
3. Facilitate protection of the public from off-range ordnance, and
4. Provide for continued public access to and safety on public lands adjacent to military withdrawals.

The proposed action would be consistent with the provisions of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (FLPMA), which defines withdrawal as "an area of Federal land withheld from settlement, sale, location, or entry, under some or all of the general land laws for the purpose of limiting activities under these laws in order to maintain public values in the area; or reserving the area for a particular public purpose or program; or transferring jurisdiction over an area of Federal land * * * from one department, bureau, or agency to another * * *" (43 U.S.C. 1701 section 103). The lands would be managed for military purposes, subject to valid existing rights, for a proposed term of 20 years. A Resource Management Plan will be developed for the withdrawn lands to provide for public safety by defining compatible public uses with military training operations.

Federal, state and local agencies, and interested individuals are encouraged to participate in a scoping process for the EIS. The purpose of the scoping process is to determine public issues and

concerns that need to be addressed in the document and to assess what additional information is available. Two public scoping meetings will be held to receive oral and written comments.

The first will be held in Reno, Nevada on June 6, 1995 at 7 p.m. at the Airport Plaza Hotel, 1981 Terminal Way. The second will be held in Fallon, Nevada on June 7, 1995 at 7 p.m. at the Fallon Convention Center, 100 Campus Way. In the interest of available time, each speaker will be asked to limit oral comments to five (5) minutes. In addition, written comments may be submitted by June 14, 1995, to Commanding Officer, Engineering Field Activity West, Naval Facilities Engineering Command, 900 Commodore Drive, San Bruno, CA 94066-5006 (Attention: Mr. Sam Dennis, Code 185SD); telephone (415) 244-3007, fax (415) 244-3737.

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Public Hearing for the Draft Environmental Impact Statement for Development of Facilities in San Diego to Support the Homeporting of One Nimitz Class Aircraft Carrier

Pursuant to section 102(2)(c) of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969 as implemented by the Council on Environmental Quality regulations (40 CFR parts 1500-1508), the Department of the Navy has prepared and filed with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) to comply with the 1993 Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC III) directive from Congress to relocate ships currently homeported at Naval Air Station Alameda to fleet concentrations in San Diego and the Pacific Northwest. Affected ships include two NIMITZ class aircraft carriers, (CVNs), one of which will be realigned to San Diego and is the subject of the EIS.

A Notice of Intent (NOI) for this EIS was published in the **Federal Register** on July 27, 1993. A public scoping meeting for the proposed project was held on August 17, 1993, in Coronado, California. Due to revisions in the proposed action and new technical information, an NOI, which superseded all previous notices, was published in the **Federal Register** on December 28, 1994.

Pursuant to BRAC, the EIS will assess the potential environmental impacts