

The changes are focused on vegetation clearing and sediment removal to provide for flood control consistent with the project scope and authorization, and eliminate or reduce potential effects to listed species.

The Corps conducted a public scoping meeting on June 16, 1999, in Oceanside, California. This scoping meeting was held to solicit public input on significant environmental issues associated with the on-going flood control project. A second public scoping meeting will not be held.

Useful information requested includes other environmental studies, published and unpublished data, and alternatives that should be addressed in the analysis. Individuals and agencies may offer information relevant or data relevant to the proposed study and provide comments by mailing the information to Ms. Tiffany Kayama (*see DATES and ADDRESSES*). Request to be placed on the mailing list for announcements and the Draft SEIS/EIR also should be sent to Ms. Kayama (*see ADDRESSES*).

A fully array of alternatives to the proposed action will be developed for analyses, including the no action plan.

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Department of the Army; Corps of Engineers

#### **Cancellation of the Notice of Intent To Prepare a Draft Environmental Impact Statement for the Acme Basin B Discharge Project**

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

**ACTION:** Notice; cancellation.

**SUMMARY:** The Jacksonville District, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers hereby cancels its Notice of Intent to prepare a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) for the Acme Basin B Discharge Project, as published in **Federal Register** on Friday, May 24, 2002 (67 FR 36577).

The notice is canceled because, during scoping for this project and development of alternatives, it appeared that each of the alternatives would affect the same 410 acres of agricultural lands, converting sugar cane into functional wetlands, resulting in discharge of cleaner water into Loxahatchee National Wildlife Refuge (WCA-1), increasing the spatial extent of Everglades wetlands and reducing freshwater flows into Lake Worth Lagoon. While all of these effects

are environmentally beneficial, the relative magnitude of the impacts in the context of greater Everglades's restoration was determined not to be significant. There are not expected to be any adverse impacts on public health and safety; the affected area (Acme Basin B) is not environmentally unique; the significant WCA-1 wetlands will benefit by a relatively small increment, as will Lake Worth Lagoon. No public controversy related to the proposed alternatives developed during scoping for this project, nor are there high levels of uncertainty, unique or unknown risks associated with the study, nor have surveys revealed the presence of any significant wildlife, cultural resource elements or contaminants.

An environmental Assessment will be prepared and coordinated for the proposed action. This document is expected to be available in August 2005.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ms. Nancy Allen, Flood Control and Flood Plain Management Section, Planning Division, Jacksonville District, Corps of Engineers, Post Office Box 4970, Jacksonville, FL 32232-0019, Phone: (904) 232-3206.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** None.

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## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

### **National Advisory Committee on Institutional Quality and Integrity; Notice of Members**

**AGENCY:** National Advisory Committee on Institutional Quality and Integrity, Department of Education.

#### **What Is the Purpose of This Notice?**

The purpose of this notice is to list the members of the National Advisory Committee on Institutional Quality and Integrity (National Advisory Committee) and to give the public the opportunity to nominate candidates for the positions to be vacated by those members whose terms will expire on September 30, 2005. This notice is required under Section 114(c) of the Higher Education Act (HEA), as amended.

#### **What Is the Role of the National Advisory Committee?**

The National Advisory Committee is established under Section 114 of the HEA, as amended, and is composed of 15 members appointed by the Secretary of Education from among individuals

who are representatives of, or knowledgeable concerning, education and training beyond secondary education, including representatives of all sectors and type of institutions of higher education.

The National Advisory Committee meets at least twice a year and provides recommendations to the Secretary of Education pertaining to:

- The establishment and enforcement of criteria for recognition of accrediting agencies or associations under subpart 2 of part H of Title IV, HEA.
- The recognition of specific accrediting agencies or associations.
- The preparation and publication of the list of nationally recognized accrediting agencies and associations.

As the Committee deems necessary or on request, the Committee also advises the Secretary about:

- The eligibility and certification process for institutions of higher education under Title IV, HEA.
- The development of standards and criteria for specific categories of vocational training institutions and institutions of higher education for which there are no recognized accrediting agencies, associations, or State agencies in order to establish the interim eligibility of those institutions to participate in federally funded programs.

- The relationship between (1) accreditation of institutions of higher education and the certification and eligibility of such institutions, and (2) State licensing responsibilities with respect to such institutions.

- Any other advisory functions relating to accreditation and institutional eligibility that the Secretary may prescribe.

#### **What Are the Terms of Office for Committee Members?**

The term of office of each member is 3 years, except that any member appointed to fill a vacancy occurring prior to the expiration of the term for which the member's predecessor was appointed is appointed for the remainder of the term. A member may be appointed, at the Secretary's discretion, to serve more than one term.

#### **Who Are the Current Members of the Committee?**

The current members of the National Advisory Committee are:

#### **Members With Terms Expiring 9/30/05**

- Honorable Randolph A. Beales, Former Attorney General of Virginia, and Attorney at Law, Christian & Barton, LLP, Virginia.