

advisory report on EPA's Regional Vulnerability Assessment methods and web-based Environmental Decision Toolkit. The Panel reviewed the ReVA methods and Environmental Decision Toolkit at a public meeting held on October 26–27, 2004 and has prepared a draft advisory report to EPA. Background information on the Panel and the ReVA advisory was provided in **Federal Register** notices published on July 30, 2004 (69 FR 45706–45707), and October, 13, 2004 (69 FR 60864–60865). The Panel is holding the teleconference to finalize its draft report before submitting the report to the chartered SAB for review and approval. The Panel's draft advisory report may be found on the SAB Web site at [http://www.epa.gov/sab/pdf/rev\\_a\\_advisory\\_report\\_3\\_1\\_05.pdf](http://www.epa.gov/sab/pdf/rev_a_advisory_report_3_1_05.pdf). The teleconference agenda will be posted on the SAB Web site prior to the teleconference.

*Procedures for Providing Public Comment:* It is the policy of the EPA Science Advisory Board (SAB) Staff Office to accept written public comments of any length, and to accommodate oral public comments whenever possible. The EPA SAB Staff Office expects that public statements presented at the Regional Vulnerability Assessment Advisory Panel teleconference will not be repetitive of previously submitted oral or written statements. *Oral Comments:* In general, each individual or group requesting an oral presentation at a conference call meeting will be limited to no more than three minutes per speaker and no more than fifteen minutes total. Interested parties should contact the DFO in writing via e-mail at least one week prior to the teleconference in order to be placed on the public speaker list. *Written Comments:* Although written comments are accepted until the date of the teleconference (unless otherwise stated), written comments should be received in the SAB Staff Office at least one week prior to the teleconference date so that the comments may be made available to the committee or panel for their consideration. Comments should be supplied to the DFO at the address/contact information above in the following formats: one hard copy with original signature, and one electronic copy via e-mail (acceptable file format: Adobe Acrobat, WordPerfect, Word, or Rich Text files (in IBM-PC/Windows 98/2000/XP format).

*Meeting Accommodations:* Individuals requiring special accommodation to access the teleconference, should contact the relevant DFO at least five business days

prior to the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

Dated: March 17, 2005.

**Vanessa T. Vu,**

*Director, EPA Science Advisory Board Staff Office.*

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## **ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**

**[FRL–7888–8]**

### **Science Advisory Board Staff Office; Notification of Upcoming Meeting of the Science Advisory Board Committee on Valuing the Protection of Ecological Systems and Services (C–VPSS)**

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The EPA Science Advisory Board (SAB) Staff Office announces a public meeting of the SAB's Committee on Valuing the Protection of Ecological Systems and Services (C–VPSS).

**DATES:** April 12–13, 2005. A public meeting of the C–VPSS will be held from 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. (eastern time) on April 12, 2005 and from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. (eastern time) on April 13, 2005.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will take place at the SAB Conference Center, 1025 F Street, NW., Suite 3700, Washington, DC 20004.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Members of the public wishing further information regarding the SAB C–VPSS meeting may contact Dr. Angela Nugent, Designated Federal Officer (DFO), via telephone at: (202) 343–9981 or e-mail at: [nugent.angela@epa.gov](mailto:nugent.angela@epa.gov). The SAB mailing address is: U.S. EPA, Science Advisory Board (1400F), 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20460. General information about the SAB, as well as any updates concerning the meetings announced in this notice, may be found in the SAB Web site at: <http://www.epa.gov/sab>.

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Background:* Background on the SAB C–VPSS and its charge was provided in 68 Fed. Reg. 11082 (March 7, 2003). The purpose of the meeting is for the SAB C–VPSS to discuss issues concerning methods for valuing the protection of ecological systems and services, to continue work on the Committee's advisory on the Agency's draft Ecological Benefit Assessments

Strategic Plan, and to plan committee activities. All of these activities are related to the Committee's overall charge, to assess Agency needs and the state of the art and science of valuing protection of ecological systems and services, and then to identify key areas for improving knowledge, methodologies, practice, and research.

*Availability of Review Material for the Meetings:* The Agenda and background documents for this meeting will be posted prior to the meeting on the SAB Staff Office Web site at: <http://www.epa.gov/sab/agendas.htm>. EPA's draft Ecological Benefits Assessment Strategic Plan is available on the EPA's National Center for Environmental Economics Web site at: <http://yosemite.epa.gov/ee/epa/eed.nsf/pages/homepage>.

*Procedures for Providing Public Comment:* It is the policy of the EPA SAB Staff Office to accept written public comments of any length, and to accommodate oral public comments whenever possible. The SAB Staff Office expects that public statements presented at SAB meetings will not be repetitive of previously submitted oral or written statements. *Oral Comments:* In general, each individual or group requesting an oral presentation at a face-to-face meeting will be limited to a total time of ten minutes (unless otherwise indicated). Interested parties should contact the Designated Federal Official (DFO) in writing via e-mail at least one week prior to the meeting in order to be placed on the public speaker list for the meeting. Speakers should bring at least 35 copies of their comments and presentation slides for distribution to the participants and public at the meeting. *Written Comments:* Although written comments are accepted until the date of the meeting (unless otherwise stated), written comments should be received in the SAB Staff Office at least one week prior to the meeting date so that the comments may be made available to the committee for their consideration. Comments should be supplied to the appropriate DFO at the address/contact information above in the following formats: one hard copy with original signature, and one electronic copy via e-mail (acceptable file format: Adobe Acrobat, WordPerfect, Word, or Rich Text files (in IBM-PC/Windows 98/2000/XP format). Those providing written comments and who attend the meeting are also asked to bring 35 copies of their comments for public distribution.

*Meeting Accommodations:* Individuals requiring special accommodation to access these meetings, should contact the relevant

DFO at least five business days prior to the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

Dated: March 18, 2005.

**Richard Albores,**

*Acting Director, EPA Science Advisory Board Staff Office.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[Docket Number ORD-2005-0009; FRL-7888-9]

### Board of Scientific Counselors, Drinking Water Subcommittee Meetings—March 2005

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Cancellation of meetings.

**SUMMARY:** The Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Research and Development (ORD), announces the cancellation of two meetings of the Board of Scientific Counselors (BOSC) Drinking Water Subcommittee. These meetings (teleconference March 23, 2005, and face-to-face meeting March 29-31, 2005) were announced in a **Federal Register** notice published on Tuesday, March 8, 2005, 70 FR 11241. The purpose of these public meetings was to evaluate EPA's Drinking Water Research Program, and they will be rescheduled at a later date.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Edie Coates, Designated Federal Officer, Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Research and Development, Mail Code B105-03, Research Triangle Park, NC, 27711; telephone (919) 541-3508; fax (919) 541-3335; e-mail [coates.edie@epa.gov](mailto:coates.edie@epa.gov).

Dated: March 18, 2005.

**Kevin Y. Teichman,**

*Director, Office of Science Policy.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[Docket No. OEI-2005-0001; FRL-7889-4]

### Establishment of a New System of Records Notice for the Federal Docket Management System

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to the provisions of the Privacy Act of 1974 (5 U.S.C. 552a)

the EPA, as managing partner of the Federal-wide eRulemaking, eGovernment Initiative, is giving notice that it proposes to establish a government-wide system of records, the Federal Docket Management System (FDMS). The FDMS allows the public to search, view, download, and comment on all Federal agency rulemaking documents in one central online system.

**DATES:** The proposed notice will be effective without further notice on May 3, 2005.

**ADDRESSES:** Questions regarding this notice should be referred to Valerie Brecher-Kovacevic at U.S. EPA, Office of Environmental Information, M/C 2282V, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460, 202-632-0339, or via e-mail [brecher-kovacevic.valerie@epa.gov](mailto:brecher-kovacevic.valerie@epa.gov).

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Patrick Micielli, [Micielli.Patrick@epa.gov](mailto:Micielli.Patrick@epa.gov), 202-632-0350, U.S. EPA, Office of Environmental Information, M/C 2282V, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### I. General Information

The FDMS serves as a central, electronic repository for all Federal rulemaking dockets, which include **Federal Register** notices, supporting materials such as scientific or economic analyses, and public comments, as well as non-rulemaking dockets. The FDMS is a system used by all Federal agencies that conduct rulemakings. Each agency is responsible for managing its own docket and rulemaking documents. An agency may share documents with other agencies or persons in addition to making them available to the public on the FDMS Web site. Each agency has sole responsibility for the documents submitted in support of their rulemakings and these documents will be processed by the individual agencies.

On behalf of the Federal partner agencies, EPA is publishing this new system of record notice as the Program Manager (PMO) for the E-Government, eRulemaking Initiative's FDMS, in order to satisfy the applicable requirements of the Privacy Act. There will be instances when a person using FDMS to submit a comment or supporting materials on a Federal rulemaking must provide name and contact information (e-mail or mailing address) as required by an agency, or, a person may have the option to do so, if they would like an agency to contact them regarding a comment (e.g. if the agency experiences a problem receiving the comment or needs additional information). A

comment that meets all requirements, as determined by the Federal agency publishing the rulemaking, will be posted on the Internet (FDMS Web site) for public viewing and all the contents of the posted comment will be searchable. The FDMS is a system with full text search capability, which would include any name and contact information submitted in or as part of a comment. Each agency has the opportunity to review the data it receives as part of its rulemakings. An agency may choose to keep certain types of information contained in a comment submission from being posted publicly, while preserving the entire document to be reviewed and considered as part of the rulemaking docket. For example, comments containing material whose disclosure is restricted by Federal statute, such as the Children's Online Privacy Protection Act of 1998 (COPPA), may not be publicly posted, but will be retained and evaluated/considered by the receiving agency. Each agency manages, accesses, and controls the information in the FDMS that is submitted to that particular agency and also maintains the sole ability to disclose the data submitted to that particular agency.

The FDMS contains information that is submitted in support of Federal rulemakings, only a limited portion of which is covered under the Privacy Act. The portion of this system that comes under the Act includes the information received by agencies that require or accept personal identifying information (name and contact address/e-mail address). It will be apparent whether or not an agency requires this information. There will be set fields to be filled out on the comment page and clear notification as to whether the information is required or optional. There will be agencies that do not place these fields on the comment page as they do not require or offer to collect this information. Submit your comments, identified by Docket ID No. OEI-2005-0001, by one of the following methods:

- Federal eRulemaking Portal: <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the on-line instructions for submitting comments.
- Agency Web site: <http://www.epa.gov/edocket>. EDOCKET is EPA's electronic public docket and comment system. Follow the on-line instructions for submitting comments.
- Mail: OEI Docket, Environmental Protection Agency, Mailcode: 2822T, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460.
- Hand Delivery: OEI Docket, EPA/DC, EPA West, Room B102, 1301 Constitution Ave., NW., Washington,