

**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE****National Institute of Standards and Technology**

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**[Docket No: 080411556-8904-02]****Construction Grant Program Extension of Due Date for Proposals**

**AGENCY:** National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), United States Department of Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** Due to technical difficulties, NIST is extending the deadline for proposal submission for its Construction Grant Program competition to 3 p.m. Eastern Time, Friday, August 1, 2008. NIST will accept only paper submissions during the extended time period.

**DATES:** Paper submissions must be received no later than 3 p.m. Eastern Time, Friday, August 1, 2008. Review, selection, and grant award processing is expected to be completed by the middle of November 2008.

**ADDRESSES:** Paper submissions must be sent to the National Institute of Standards and Technology, 100 Bureau Drive, Stop 4701, Gaithersburg, MD 20899-4701.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Barbara Lambis via e-mail at [barbara.lambis@nist.gov](mailto:barbara.lambis@nist.gov) or telephone (301) 975-4447.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On May 27, 2008, the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) announced that it was soliciting proposals under a competitive Construction Grant Program for research buildings (73 FR 30380). The due date for submission of all proposals was 3 p.m. Eastern Time, Monday, July 21, 2008. Due to technical difficulties some applicants were unable to submit their proposals electronically on Monday, July 21, 2008. In order to provide all interested parties the opportunity to submit a proposal for the Construction Grant Program, NIST is extending the solicitation period until 3 p.m. Eastern Time, Friday, August 1, 2008. Electronic proposals received between 3 p.m. and 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time on July 21, 2008 will be deemed timely and given full consideration. Paper proposals received between 3 p.m., Monday, July 21, 2008 and the publication date of this notice will be deemed timely and given full consideration. During the extended solicitation period, NIST will accept only paper submissions. Applicants who attempted to submit electronic

applications but were unsuccessful are encouraged to resubmit a paper application. Paper submissions must be received by 3 p.m. Eastern Time, Friday, August 1, 2008. Please note that for paper submissions the Program requires one original and two (2) copies of the proposal.

The application submission deadline applies to any mode of paper proposal delivery, including hand-delivery, courier, and express mailing, but not facsimile. Proposals submitted via facsimile will not be accepted. NIST will not make any allowances for late submissions. All NIST Construction Grant Program competition requirements and information announced in the May 27, 2008, **Federal Register** notice apply to proposals submitted during the extended time period with the exception of the review, selection, and grant award processing time that is now expected to be completed by the middle of November 2008.

Executive Order 12372 (Intergovernmental Review of Federal Programs). Proposals under this program are not subject to Executive Order 12372.

Executive Order 13132 (Federalism). This notice does not contain policies with Federalism implications as defined in Executive Order 13132.

Executive Order 12866 (Regulatory Planning and Review). This notice is not a significant regulatory action under Sections 3(f)(3) and 3(f)(4) of Executive Order 12866, as it does not materially alter the budgetary impact of a grant program and does not raise novel policy issues. This notice is not an "economically significant" regulatory action under Section 3(f)(1) of the Executive Order, as it does not have an effect on the economy of \$100 million or more in any one year, and it does not have a material adverse effect on the economy, a sector of the economy, productivity, competition, jobs, the environment, public health or safety, or State, local, or tribal governments or communities.

Administrative Procedure Act and Regulatory Flexibility Act. Prior notice and comment are not required under 5 U.S.C. 553, or any other law, for rules relating to public property, loans, grants, benefits or contracts (5 U.S.C. 553(a)). Because prior notice and an opportunity for public comment are not required pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 553 or any other law, the analytical requirements of the Regulatory Flexibility Act (5 U.S.C. et. seq.) are inapplicable. Therefore, a regulatory flexibility analysis is not required and has not been prepared.

Dated: July 25, 2008.

**James M. Turner,**  
*Deputy Director.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE****National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration****Availability of Diving Operations, Recreational Fishing, Research and Conservation Seats for the Flower Garden Banks National Marine Sanctuary Advisory Council**

**AGENCY:** National Marine Sanctuary Program (NMSPP), National Ocean Service (NOS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce (DOC).

**ACTION:** Notice and request for applications.

**SUMMARY:** The Flower Garden Banks National Marine Sanctuary (FGBNMS or Sanctuary) is seeking applicants for the Diving Operations, Recreational Fishing, Research and Conservation seats on its Sanctuary Advisory Council (Council). Applicants are chosen based upon their particular expertise and experience in relation to the seat for which they are applying; community and professional affiliations; philosophy regarding the protection and management of marine resources; and possibly the length of residence in the area affected by the Sanctuary. The Applicant chosen as a member should expect to serve a 3-year term, pursuant to the Council's Charter.

**DATES:** Applications are due by September 12, 2008.

**ADDRESSES:** Application kits may be obtained from Jennifer Morgan at NOAA—Flower Garden Banks National Marine Sanctuary, 4700 Avenue U, Bldg. 216, Galveston, TX 77551 or downloaded from the sanctuary Web site <http://flowergarden.noaa.gov>. Completed applications should be sent to the same mailing address.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jennifer Morgan, NOAA—Flower Garden Banks National Marine Sanctuary, 4700 Avenue U, Bldg. 216, Galveston, TX 77551, 409-621-5151 ext. 103, [Jennifer.Morgan@noaa.gov](mailto:Jennifer.Morgan@noaa.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Located in the northwestern Gulf of Mexico, the Flower Garden Banks National Marine Sanctuary includes three separate areas, known as East Flower Garden, West Flower Garden, and Stetson Banks. The Sanctuary was designated on January 17, 1992. Stetson Bank was added to the Sanctuary in 1996. The Sanctuary

Advisory Council will consist of no more than 11 members; 8 non-governmental voting members and 3 governmental non-voting members. The Council may serve as a forum for consultation and deliberation among its members and as a source of advice to the Sanctuary manager regarding the management of the Flower Garden Banks National Marine Sanctuary.

**Authority:** 16 U.S.C. sections 1431, *et seq.* (Federal Domestic Assistance Catalog Number 11.429 Marine Sanctuary Program)

Dated: July 21, 2008.

**Daniel J. Basta,**

*Director, Office of National Marine Sanctuaries, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

**National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration**

**Draft Management Plan and Environmental Assessment for the Gerry E. Studds Stellwagen Bank National Marine Sanctuary: Notice of Public Comment Period Extension**

**AGENCY:** Office of National Marine Sanctuaries (ONMS), National Ocean Service (NOS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Department of Commerce (DOC).

**ACTION:** Notice of public comment period extension.

**SUMMARY:** A 90-day public comment period was announced in the May 6, 2008 **Federal Register**, Volume 73, No. 88, to end on August 4, 2008. To accommodate receipt of additional comments NOAA's Office of National Marine Sanctuaries has extended the period for public comments on the draft management plan and draft environmental assessment for the Gerry E. Studds Stellwagen Bank National Marine Sanctuary to October 3, 2008. **DATES:** Comments on the draft management plan and draft environmental assessment will now be considered if received on or before October 3, 2008.

**ADDRESSES:** To obtain a copy: For a copy of the draft management plan and draft environmental assessment, contact the Management Plan Review Coordinator, Stellwagen Bank National Marine Sanctuary, 175 Edward Foster Rd., Scituate, MA 02066. Copies can also be downloaded from the SBNMS Web site at <http://stellwagen.noaa.gov>.

*To submit comments:* Comments on the draft management plan and draft

environmental assessment may be submitted by one of the following methods:

1. In writing to the SBNMS Management Plan Review Coordinator (see to obtain a copy section above);
2. By e-mail to [sbplan@noaa.gov](mailto:sbplan@noaa.gov); or
3. By facsimile to (781) 545-8036.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Benjamin Cowie-Haskell at (781) 545-8026 or via e-mail at [sbplan@noaa.gov](mailto:sbplan@noaa.gov).

Dated: July 18, 2008.

**Daniel J. Basta,**

*Office of National Marine Sanctuaries.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

**Office of the Secretary**

[Docket No. DoD-2008-OS-0043]

**Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request**

**ACTION:** Notice.

The Department of Defense has submitted to OMB for clearance, the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

**DATES:** Consideration will be given to all comments received by August 28, 2008.

**Title, Form, and OMB Number:** Utility of Test Preparation Guides and Education Programs in Enhancing Recruit Candidate Performance on the Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB), OMB Number 0704-TBD.

**Type of Request:** New.

**Number of Respondents:** 145,000.

**Responses per Respondent:** 1 or 2.

**Annual Responses:** 145,000.

**Average Burden per Response:** 12 minutes.

**Annual Burden Hours:** 33,350.

**Needs and Uses:** The 2007 National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA), section 546, directs the Secretary of Defense to conduct a test of the utility of test preparation guides in enhancing recruit candidate performance on the Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB). The ASVAB is a cognitive ability test used to select and classify applicants for enlistment into the U.S. military. This information data collection is needed to meet the following objectives, as stated in the NDAA, to examine: The degree to which test preparation assistance degrades test reliability and accuracy, the degree to which test preparation assistance allows more accurate testing of skill aptitudes

and mental capability, and to recommend a role for test preparation assistance in military recruiting.

**Affected Public:** Individuals or households.

**Frequency:** On Occasion.

**Respondent's Obligation:** Voluntary.

**OMB Desk Officer:** Ms. Sharon Mar.

Written comments and

recommendations on the proposed information collection should be sent to Ms. Mar at the Office of Management and Budget, Desk Officer for DoD, Room 10236, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503. Comments may be e-mail to Ms. Mar at [Sharon\\_Mar@omb.eop.gov](mailto:Sharon_Mar@omb.eop.gov). You may also submit comments, identified by docket number and title, by the following method:

- **Federal eRulemaking Portal:** <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

**Instructions:** All submissions received must include the agency name, docket number and title for this **Federal Register** document. The general policy for comments and other submissions from members of the public is to make these submissions available for public viewing on the Internet at <http://www.regulations.gov> as they are received without change, including any personal identifiers or contact information.

**DOD Clearance Officer:** Ms. Patricia Toppings.

Written requests for copies of the information collection proposal should be sent to Ms. Toppings at WHS/ESD/Information Management Division, 1777 North Kent Street, RPN, Suite 11000, Arlington, VA 22209-2133.

July 21, 2008.

**Patricia L. Toppings,**

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

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**DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

**Department of the Air Force**

**Notice of Intent To Grant an Exclusive Patent License**

**AGENCY:** Department of the Air Force.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to the provisions of Part 404 of Title 37, code of Federal Regulations, which implements Public Law 96-517, as amended, the Department of the Air Force announces its intention to grant FASORtronic, LLC., a corporation of New Mexico, having a place of business at 13240