

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**Office of the Secretary****Meeting of the Secretary of Defense's Defense Advisory Board for Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve (DAB-ESGR)**

AGENCY: Department of Defense.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a meeting of the DAB-ESGR. This meeting will focus on the status of DoD actions and recommendations from previous DAB meetings, relevant discussion on U.S. Government inter-agency Transition Assistance study and successful employer support programs in four States. This meeting is open to the public.

DATES: 0830–1230 hrs, 12 September 2007.

Location: Federal Room, Hotel Washington, 15th and Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Interested attendees may contact MAJ Elaine M. Gullotta at 703-696-1385 ext. 540, or e-mail at elaine.gullotta@osd.mil.

Agenda

- 0830 Convene (Mr. Chris P.A. Komisarjevsky, Acting Chairman).
- 0835 Oath of Office (Mr. Frank Wilson, FACA CMO).
- 0840 Review of Last Meeting Minutes/ New Charter.
- 0850 Honorable Thomas F. Hall, Assistant Secretary of Defense Reserve Affairs.
- 0900 Mr. James G. Rebholz, National Chairman, ESGR.
Dr. L. Gordon Sumner, Jr., Ph.D., Executive Director, ESGR.
- 0930 Commission on the National Guard and Reserve Discussion, Thomas Eldridge, WSO-CNGR.
- 1030 State Perspectives: Joseph Thomas, Tennessee, State Chairman, ESGR; Barry Spear, Iowa, State Chairman, ESGR; Dennis Shulstad, Minnesota, State Chairman, ESGR; Ernest Loomis, New Hampshire, State Chairman, ESGR.
- 1130 Transition Assistance Update, James L. Scott II, Director, Individual and Family Policy OASD/RA (M&P).
- 1200 Board Discussion.
- 1230 Adjourn.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Major E. Gullotta, 703-696-1386 ext. 540.

Dated: August 24, 2007.

L.M. Bynum,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, DoD.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**Department of the Air Force****Federal Property Suitable for Exchange**

AGENCY: Department of the Air Force, Air Force Real Property Agency.

ACTION: Notice.

Authority: Title 10, United States Code, Section 2869(d)(1).

SUMMARY: This notice identifies unutilized, underutilized, excess, and surplus Federal property under the administrative jurisdiction of the United States Air Force that the Air Force intends to exchange for property beneficial to the Air Force.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Kelli Britt, Air Force Real Property Agency (AFRPA), 1700 N. Moore St., Suite 2300, Arlington, VA 22209-2802; telephone (703) 696-5514, (this telephone number is not toll-free).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In accordance with 10 U.S.C. 2869(d)(2), the Air Force is publishing this Notice to identify Federal real property that the Air Force has reviewed for suitability to dispose of in exchange for property beneficial to the Air Force. The property was screened within the Department of Defense (DoD) and no DoD agencies have expressed an interest in the property.

The Air Force reviewed the property: Charleston Air Force Base (AFB), South Carolina.

Property Number: 18200540004.

Status: Excess.

Comments: 5.348 acres of real property outside the clear zone.

And will exchange this property for: Property owned by South Carolina Electric and Gas.

Comments: 13.052 acres of real property within the Charleston AFB clear zone.

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Air Force Federal Register Liaison Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**Department of the Navy****Notice of Deadline for Submission of Donation Applications for the ex-TICONDEROGA (CG 47)**

AGENCY: Department of the Navy, DoD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Navy (DON) hereby gives notice of a requirement to submit donation applications to obtain the guided missile cruiser ex-TICONDEROGA (CG 47) for use as a static museum/memorial for public display under the authority of 10 U.S.C. 7306. The ex-TICONDEROGA was struck from the Naval Vessel Register on August 12, 2004 and is located at the NAVSEA Inactive Ships On-Site Maintenance Office, Philadelphia, PA. Eligible recipients include: (1) Any State, Commonwealth, or possession of the United States or any municipal corporation or political subdivision thereof; (2) the District of Columbia; or (3) any not-for-profit or non-profit entity.

The transfer of a vessel for donation under 10 U.S.C. 7306 shall be at no cost to the United States Government.

The donee will be required to maintain the vessel as a static display in a condition that is satisfactory to the Secretary of the Navy.

A letter of intent will be required within 45 days from the date of this notice and all donation applications must be received by January 31, 2008. The DON will foreclose consideration of donation of ex-TICONDEROGA to any entity that does not submit a letter of intent to the DON within 45 days of the date of this notice.

Prospective applicants must submit a letter of intent to the Navy Inactive Ships Program office within 45 days of this **Federal Register** notice. The letter of intent must:

- a. Identify the specific vessel sought for donation;
- b. Include a statement of the proposed use for the vessel;
- c. Identify the proposed berthing location;
- d. If the applicant is not a state, territory or possession of the United States, or a political subdivision or municipal corporation thereof, or the District of Columbia, provide a copy of a determination letter by the Internal Revenue Service that the applicant is exempt from tax under the Internal Revenue Code, or submit evidence that the applicant has filed the appropriate documentation in order to obtain tax exempt status;

e. If the applicant asserts that it is a corporation or association whose Charter and/or Articles of Incorporation denies it the right to operate for profit, provide a properly authenticated copy of the Charter, Articles of Incorporation, and a copy of the organization's By-laws;

f. Provide a notarized copy of the resolution or other action of the applicant's governing board authorizing the person signing the application to represent the organization and to sign on its behalf for the purpose of obtaining a vessel; and

g. Provide written affirmation that the prospective applicant can submit a complete ship donation application to the DON, compliant with the DON's application requirements, by January 31, 2008.

Upon receipt of the letter of intent, the DON will contact the prospective applicant(s) to ensure a full understanding of the application requirements, which will be available early September 2007, on the DON Ship Donation Web site located at: <http://peoships.crane.navy.mil/donation/>. This information was previously available for several years at <http://navsea.navy.mil/NDP> and is being transitioned to a new server.

Qualified organizations who submit a letter of intent for the ex-TICONDEROGA (CG 47) must submit a complete application to the DON by January 31, 2008, comprised of a Business/Financial Plan, Mooring Plan, Towing Plan, Maintenance Plan, Environmental Plan, Curatorial/Museum Plan, and a Community Support Plan. These plans must include the following information:

1. Business/Financial Plan: The Business/Financial Plan must detail the estimated start-up and operating costs, and provide detailed evidence of firm financing adequate to cover these costs. Start-up costs include towing, mooring (this includes but not limited to the cost of acquiring and improving facilities, and dredging if required), vessel restoration, museum development, and meeting environmental requirements (including permitting fees and expenses) etc. Operating costs are those costs associated with operating and maintaining the vessel as a museum/memorial, including rent, utilities, personnel, insurance, periodic dry-docking, etc. Firm financing means available funding to ensure the first five years of operation and future stability for long-term operation. This can include pledges, loans, gifts, bonds (except revenue bonds), funds on deposit at a financial institution, or any combination of the above. The applicant

must also provide income projections from sources such as individual and group admissions, facility rental fees and gift shop revenues sufficient to cover the estimated operating expenses.

2. Mooring Plan: The Mooring Plan describes how the vessel will be secured at its permanent display site during normal and extreme weather conditions (including the 100-year storm event) to prevent damage to the vessel, its mooring system, the pier, and surrounding facilities. Provide evidence of availability of a facility for permanent mooring of the vessel, either by ownership, existing lease, or by letter from the facility owners indicating a statement of intent to utilize such facilities. Address any requirement to obtain site-specific permits and/or municipality approvals required for the facility, to include but not limited to, Port Authority and Army Corps of Engineers approvals/permits, where required. The mooring location must be acceptable to the DON and not obstruct or interfere with navigation.

3. Towing Plan: The Towing Plan describes how the vessel will be prepared for tow and safely towed from its present location to the permanent display site proposed by the applicant. The Towing Plan must comply with all U.S. Navy Tow Manual requirements, which can be found at <http://www.supsalv.org/pdf/towman.pdf>.

4. Environmental Plan: The Environmental Plan describes how the applicant will comply with all Federal, State and local environmental and public health & safety regulations and permit requirements. The applicant must describe how it will address the possibility of invasive species on the underwater hull and measures to protect the marine environment of the proposed berthing location from invasive species. The applicant also should provide information necessary for the DON to complete an environmental assessment of the donation as required by the National Environmental Policy Act, including the impact of the donation on the natural and man-made environment, local infrastructure, and evaluation of the socio-economic consequences of the donation.

5. Maintenance Plan: The Maintenance Plan must describe plans for long-term and short-term maintenance of the vessel, including preservation and maintenance schedule, underwater hull inspections, emergency response and fire/flood/intrusion control, pest control, security, periodic dry-docking, and qualifications of the maintenance team.

6. Curatorial/Museum Plan: The Curatorial/Museum Plan includes three

parts: Staff qualifications, a Collection Management Plan and Historical Management Plan. The Curatorial/Museum Plan must describe the qualifications and responsibilities for a professional curator and supporting staff. The Collection Management Plan must define the museum's scope of artifact collection, and the collection management activity (documentation, accession and deaccession policies, risk management and insurance, collections care and control, loans, etc.). The Historical Management Plan must provide a description of the historical context in which the vessel will be displayed. The plan should also describe proposed exhibits, as well as vessel restoration plans. The applicant must conform to standard ethical codes of conduct for museum organizations.

7. The Community Support Plan must include evidence of local support. Evidence of regional support should also be provided. This includes letters of endorsement from adjacent communities and counties, cities and/or States. Also describe how the location of the vessel will encourage public visitation and tourism, become an integral part of the community, and how the vessel will enhance community development. The Community Support Plan must also describe the benefit to the DON, including, but not limited to, addressing how the prospective donee may support DON recruiting efforts, the connection between the DON and the proposed berthing location, how veterans associations in the area are willing to support the vessel, how the prospective donee will honor veterans' contributions to the United States, and how the exhibit will commemorate those contributions and showcase naval traditions.

The relative importance of each area that must be addressed in the donation application is as follows: Business/Financial Plan and Mooring Plan are the most important criteria and are equal in importance. The Towing Plan, Maintenance Plan and Environmental Plan are individually of equal importance but of lesser importance than the Business/Financial and Mooring Plans. The Curatorial/Museum Plan and Community Support Plan are of equal importance, but of lesser importance than the aforementioned plans.

Evaluation of the application(s) will be performed by the DON to ensure the application(s) are compliant with the minimum acceptable application criterion and requirements. In the event of multiple compliant applications for the same vessel, the DON will perform a comparative evaluation of the

applications to determine the best-qualified applicant. The adjectival ratings to be used for each criterion include: Outstanding, Good, Satisfactory, Marginal, and Unsatisfactory. The Secretary of the Navy, or his designee, will make the final donation decision.

Additional information concerning the application process and requirements will be available early September 2007, on the DON Ship Donation Web site located at <http://peoships.crane.navy.mil/donation/>. This information was previously available for several years at <http://navsea.navy.mil/NDP> and is being transitioned to a new server.

The complete application must be submitted in hard copy and electronically on a CD to the Navy Inactive Ships Program Office by January 31, 2008. In the absence of a viable donation application, the DON reserves the right to remove ex-TICONDEROGA from donation consideration and proceed with disposal of the vessel.

For Further Information and Submission of Ship Donation Applications, Contact: Ms. Gloria Carvalho of the Naval Sea Systems Command, Navy Inactive Ships Program (PMS 333), telephone number 202-781-0485. Mailed correspondence should be addressed to: The Columbia Group, 1201 M Street, SE., Suite 010, Washington, DC 20003; marked for Ms. Gloria Carvalho (PMS 333).

Dated: August 23, 2007.

T.M. Cruz,

Lieutenant, Judge Advocate General's Corps, U.S. Navy, Federal Register Liaison Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Notice of Proposed Information Collection Requests

AGENCY: Department of Education.

SUMMARY: The IC Clearance Official, Regulatory Information Management Services, Office of Management, invites comments on the proposed information collection requests as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before October 29, 2007.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35) requires that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) provide interested Federal agencies and the public an early

opportunity to comment on information collection requests. OMB may amend or waive the requirement for public consultation to the extent that public participation in the approval process would defeat the purpose of the information collection, violate State or Federal law, or substantially interfere with any agency's ability to perform its statutory obligations. The IC Clearance Official, Regulatory Information Management Services, Office of Management, publishes that notice containing proposed information collection requests prior to submission of these requests to OMB. Each proposed information collection, grouped by office, contains the following: (1) Type of review requested, e.g. new, revision, extension, existing or reinstatement; (2) Title; (3) Summary of the collection; (4) Description of the need for, and proposed use of, the information; (5) Respondents and frequency of collection; and (6) Reporting and/or Recordkeeping burden. OMB invites public comment.

The Department of Education is especially interested in public comment addressing the following issues: (1) Is this collection necessary to the proper functions of the Department; (2) will this information be processed and used in a timely manner; (3) is the estimate of burden accurate; (4) how might the Department enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (5) how might the Department minimize the burden of this collection on the respondents, including through the use of information technology.

Dated: August 23, 2007.

Angela C. Arrington,

IC Clearance Official, Regulatory Information Management Services, Office of Management.

Office of the Chief Financial Officer

Type of Review: Extension.

Title: GEPA Section 427 Guidance for All Grant Applications.

Frequency: One time.

Affected Public: Businesses or other for-profit; Not-for-profit institutions; State, Local, or Tribal Gov't, SEAs or LEAs.

Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:

Responses: 21,922.

Burden Hours: 32,883.

Abstract: On October 20, 1994, the Improving America's Schools Act, Public Law 103-382, became law. The Act added a provision to the General Education Provisions Act (GEPA). Section 427 of GEPA requires an applicant for assistance under Department programs to develop and

describe in the grant application the steps it proposes to take to ensure equitable access to, and equitable participation in, its proposed project for students, teachers, and other program beneficiaries with special needs. The current GEPA Section 427 guidance for discretionary grant applications and formula grant applications has approval through November 30, 2007. We are requesting an extension of this approval.

Requests for copies of the proposed information collection request may be accessed from <http://edicsweb.ed.gov>, by selecting the "Browse Pending Collections" link and by clicking on link number 3421. When you access the information collection, click on "Download Attachments" to view. Written requests for information should be addressed to U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., Potomac Center, 9th Floor, Washington, DC 20202-4700. Requests may also be electronically mailed to ICDocketMgr@ed.gov or faxed to 202-245-6623. Please specify the complete title of the information collection when making your request.

Comments regarding burden and/or the collection activity requirements should be electronically mailed to ICDocketMgr@ed.gov. Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

AGENCY: Department of Education

SUMMARY: The IC Clearance Official, Regulatory Information Management Services, Office of Management invites comments on the submission for OMB review as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before October 1, 2007.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be addressed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Education Desk Officer, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street, NW., Room 10222, Washington, DC 20503. Commenters are encouraged to submit responses electronically by e-mail to oira_submission@omb.eop.gov or via fax to (202) 395-6974. Commenters should include the following subject line in their response "Comment: [insert OMB