PERSON TO CONTACT FOR INFORMATION: Bryan Whitener, Telephone: (202) 566–3100.

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Chairman, U.S. Election Assistance Commission. [FR Doc. 04–17696 Filed 7–29–04; 4:02 am] BILLING CODE 6820–MP–M

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-7795-9]

Notice of Approval of Federal Operating Permits to Transwestern Pipeline Company; El Paso Natural Gas Company; El Paso Field Services; William Field Services

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

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that EPA Region 6 has issued Federal operating permits to Transwestern Pipeline Company, El Paso Natural Gas Company, El Paso Field Services, and William Field Services.

These permits grant approval to the facilities identified in the permits to

operate the air emission sources identified in the permits in accordance with the terms and conditions of the respective permits. This notice is published in accordance with 40 CFR 71.11(l)(7), which requires notice of any final agency action regarding a Federal operating permit to be published in the **Federal Register**.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: The final permits are available online at *http://yosemite.epa.gov/r6/Apermit.nsf/Part71* in a part 71 table. If you have any questions or would like a copy of any of the permits listed above, please contact Mr. Daron Page, at EPA, Multimedia Planning and Permitting Division (6PD–R), 1445 Ross Avenue, Dallas, Texas 75202, or (214) 665–7222 or by e-mail at *page.daron@epa.gov.*

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Name	Permit No.	Location	Reservation	Public notice	Issuance date	Effective date
Transwestern Pipeline	R6F0PP71-01	Laguna, Cibola Coun- ty, NM.	Laguna Pueblo	11/09/00	12/06/02	1/8/03
Transwestern Pipeline	R6FOPP71–01 Admin- istrative Amendment.	Laguna, Cibola Coun- ty, NM.	Laguna Pueblo	(1)	7/8/04	7/8/04
El Paso Natural Gas	R6F0PP71-02	Laguna, Cibola Coun- ty, NM.	Laguna Pueblo	12/28/02	3/19/04	4/18/04
El Paso Field Services	R6F0PP71-03	Lindrith, Rio Arriba County, NM.	Jicarilla Apache	5/16/03	11/17/03	12/17/03
William Field Services, Los Mestenios.	R6F0PP71-04	Galivon, Rio Arriba County, NM.	Jicarilla Apache	6/13/03	11/17/03	12/16/03
William Field Services, Los Mestenios.	R6FOPP71–04 Admin- istrative Amendment.	Galivon, Rio Arriba County, NM.	Jicarilla Apache	(1)	5/7/04	5/7/04
William Field Services, Ojito.	R6F0PP71-05	Galivon, Rio Arriba County, NM.	Jicarilla Apache	10/31/03	1/20/04	1/20/04

¹ None.

The Federal operating permits issued by EPA to the facilities identified above incorporate all applicable air quality requirements and require monitoring to ensure compliance with these requirements. Submittal of periodic reports of all required monitoring, as well as submittal of an annual compliance certification, are also required. The Federal operating permits have a term not to exceed five years, and a timely application for permit renewal must be submitted to EPA prior to permit expiration in order to continue operation of the permitted source.

The provisions of 40 CFR part 71 govern issuance of these permits. EPA published a notice and opportunity to comment in a newspaper of general circulation in the area of the facility for each permit issued. The EPA received public comments on the Transwestern Pipeline Company; El Paso Natural Gas Company; El Paso Field Services; and William Field Services, Los Mestenios Compressor Station permits. In accordance with the requirements of 40 CFR 71.11(j), EPA responded to all comments received on these permits. The EPA received no comments on the permit for William Field Services, Ojito. Pursuant to 40 CFR 71.11(i), EPA provided copies of the final permits to the applicant and each person who submitted written comments on a permit or requested notice of the final permit decision. No one requested review of any of the final permits by the Environmental Appeals Board within 30 days of receipt of the final permits in accordance with 40 CFR 71.11(l). Thus, pursuant to 40 CFR 71.11(i) and (l), the permits became final on the dates indicated in the chart above. A petition to the Environmental Appeals Board under 40 CFR 71.11(l) is, under 42 U.S.C. 307(b), a prerequisite to seeking judicial review of the final agency action. See 40 CFR 71.11(l)(4).

40 CFR 71.11(l)(7) requires notice of any final agency action regarding a Federal operating permit to be published in the **Federal Register**. This notice satisfies that requirement. Dated: July 21, 2004. Lynda F. Carroll, Acting Regional Administrator. [FR Doc. 04–17501 Filed 7–30–04; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 6560–50–P

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-7796-1]

Request for Nominations to the Good Neighbor Environmental Board

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency.

ACTION: Notice of request for nominations.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) invites nominations of qualified candidates to be considered for appointments to fill several vacancies on the Good Neighbor Environmental Board. For this round of recruitment, given the nature of current vacancies and the goal of maintaining diverse representation across sectors and geographic locations, those with the following backgrounds and in the following locations are especially encouraged to apply: Environmental officials from the California state government; environmental officials from the Arizona state government; and non-governmental representatives from the state of Arizona. Other individuals are also welcome to send in nominations and apply themselves. **DATES:** Suggested deadline for receiving nominations is August 15, 2004. Appointments will be made by the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency. Appointments are scheduled to be announced in September 2004 in advance of the Board's next meeting, scheduled for October 27-28, 2004.

ADDRESSES: Submit nomination materials to: Elaine Koerner, Designated Federal Officer, Good Neighbor Environmental Board, EPA Region 9 Office, WTR–4, 75 Hawthorne St., San Francisco, CA., 94105, T: 415–972– 3437, F: 415–947–3537, e-mail koerner.elaine@epa.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Elaine Koerner, Designated Federal Officer, Good Neighbor Environmental Board, EPA Region 9 Office, WTR-4, 75 Hawthorne St., San Francisco, CA., 94105, T: 415-972-3437, F: 415-947-3537, e-mail koerner.elaine@epa.gov. SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Good Neighbor Environmental Board meets three times each calendar year; locations include Washington, DC, and various locations along the U.S.-Mexico border. It was created by the Enterprise for the Americas Initiative Act of 1992. An Executive Order delegates implementing authority to the Administrator of EPA. The Board is responsible for providing advice to the U.S. President and Congress on environmental and infrastructure issues and needs within the States contiguous to Mexico in order to improve the quality of life of persons residing on the U.S. side of the border. The statute calls for the Board to have representatives from U.S. Government agencies; the governments of the States of Arizona, California, New Mexico and Texas; and private organizations with expertise on environmental and infrastructure problems along the southwest border. Board members typically contribute 10–15 hours per month to the Board's work. The Board membership position is voluntary; travel expenses are covered.

The following criteria will be used to evaluate nominees:

• Residence in one of the four U.S. border states.

• Professional knowledge of, and experience with, environmental infrastructure activities and policy along the U.S.-Mexico border.

• Senior level-experience that fills a gap in Board representation, or brings a new and relevant dimension to its deliberations.

• Representation of a sector or group that is involved in border region environmental infrastructure.

• Demonstrated ability to work in a consensus-building process with a wide range of representatives from diverse constituencies.

• Willingness to serve a two-year term as an actively-contributing member, with possible re-appointment to a second term.

Nominees' qualifications will be assessed under the mandates of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, which requires Committees to maintain diversity across a broad range of constituencies, sectors, and groups.

Nominations for membership must include a resume describing the professional and educational qualifications of the nominee as well as community-based experience. Contact details should include full name and title, business mailing address, telephone, fax, and e-mail address. A supporting letter of endorsement is encouraged but not required.

Dated: July 13, 2004.

Elaine M. Koerner,

Designated Federal Officer. [FR Doc. 04–17503 Filed 7–30–04; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 6560–50–P

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-OW-FRL-7794-3]

Draft National Guidance: Best Management Practices for Preparing Vessels Intended To Create Artificial Reefs

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of availability and request for comments.

SUMMARY: This notice informs the public of the availability of a guidance document containing information on national environmentally-based best management practices for preparation of vessels to be sunk with the intention of creating artificial reefs. This notice of availability commences a 60-day public comment period on the guidance document. The guidance satisfies the mandate of section 3516 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2004. The guidance was also developed in response to the Maritime Administration's (MARAD) request for the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to assist in identifying potential management options for their decommissioned vessel fleet. The EPA is requesting public comment on this document.

DATES: EPA will accept comments on the Draft National Guidance: Best Management Practices for Preparing Vessels Intended to Create Artificial Reefs received on or before October 1, 2004.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be submitted electronically, by mail or through hand-delivery/courier. Follow the detailed instructions as provided in Section I.C. of the SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION section. Electronic files may be e-mailed to:

OW-Docket@epa.gov. Comments may also be mailed to the Water Docket, Environmental Protection Agency, Mail Code: 4101T, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20460, Attention Docket ID No. OW–2004– 0003. Instructions for couriers and other hand delivery are provided in Section I.C.3. The Agency will not accept facsimiles (faxes).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Laura S. Johnson, Marine Pollution Control Branch (4504T), U.S. EPA, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460; (202) 566–1273; *johnson.laura-s@epa.gov.*

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. General Information

A. Interested Entities

Entities potentially interested in today's notice are those who want to transfer their vessel for reefing, have the capacity to prepare a vessel for reefing, wish to undertake a vessel-to-reef project, or are responsible for managing an artificial reef. Categories and entities interested in today's notice include.

Category	Examples of interested entities		
Federal Government	Maritime Administration, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, U.S. Coast Guard, U.S. Navy, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Adminis- tration.		
State/Local/ Tribal. Government	Governments owning or re- sponsible for artificial reef preparation, placement, and management; coastal communities.		