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ADVISORY COUNCIL ON HISTORIC PRESERVATION

Public Meeting Regarding the Pensacola Naval Air Station Historic District

AGENCY: Advisory Council on Historic Preservation.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting, and opportunity for public comments, regarding the proposed demolition of properties within the Pensacola Naval Air Station Historic District.

SUMMARY: The Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (ACHP) will hold a public meeting regarding the Navy's intent to demolish several buildings within the Pensacola Naval Air Station Historic District. After considering public input, the ACHP will issue its formal comments on the proposed action to the Navy. The Navy will take into account the ACHP's comments prior to making a final decision on the matter.

DATES: The public meeting will take place on Monday, August 8, 2005, starting at 12:30 p.m. CDT (we expect the meeting to end at 4 p.m. CDT). Submit written comments on or before August 8, 2005.

ADDRESSES: The public meeting will take place at the McMillan Room (room 3720), located in building 3700, Pensacola Junior College (Warrington Campus), 5555 Hwy 98 West, Pensacola, Florida.

Address all written comments concerning this proposed action by the Navy to Don Klima, Office of Federal Agency Programs, Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, 1100 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Suite 809, Washington, DC 20004. You may also submit written comments via facsimile at (202) 606–8672 or via electronic mail at dklima@achp.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Don Klima, (202) 606–8503.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act requires Federal agencies to consider the effects of their undertakings on historic properties and provide the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation ("ACHP") a reasonable opportunity to comment with regard to such undertakings. The ACHP has issued the regulations that set forth the process through which Federal agencies comply with these duties. Those regulations are codified under 36 CFR part 800 ("Section 106 regulations").

Under the Section 106 regulations, when an undertaking may adversely affect historic properties, the Federal agency must consult in an attempt to reach an agreement to avoid, minimize or mitigate those adverse effects. Such an agreement is called a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA).

On September 15, 2004, Hurricane Ivan struck the panhandle area of Florida, causing extensive damage to Naval Air Station Pensacola and environs. Sustaining particular damage was the Pensacola Naval Air Station Historic District, a National Historic Landmark.

On March 11, 2005 an MOA was concluded between the Department of the Navy, the Florida State Historic Preservation Officer, and the ACHP for proposed plans by the Navy to recover from damages caused by Hurricane Ivan. The National Trust for Historic Preservation (NTHP) and the National Park Service (NPS) also participated in that consultation. Consultation was very difficult due to time pressures and the extensive amount of demolition proposed by the Navy.

The MOA accepted much of the proposed demolition of historic structures, but identified 16 structures of "greatest significance" to the historic district. The MOA called for the Navy to stabilize these structures and prepare for each a "preservation analysis report" (PAR) that would examine the historic and architectural value of each buildings and assess damages and costs associated with various treatment options. The consulting parties were to then be given an opportunity to comment on the reports, following which the Navy would then decide how each of the 16 buildings would be treated. Following notification of the Navy's decision, the consulting parties

could object to the Navy's decision, thus triggering dispute resolution provisions in the MOA that provide for further ACHP review and comment.

By June 18, 2005, the 16 PARs had been provided to the consulting parties. Extensive comments were provided on the reports by the Florida SHPO and the NTHP on July 12th and July 13th, respectively.

On July 15th, the Navy notified the consulting parties of its intention to proceed with demolition of all but 3 of the 16 identified buildings. Anticipating likely objection from the consulting parties, the Navy invoked the dispute resolution provisions in the MOA.

In response, the ACHP Chairman has elected to prepare comments for the Navy pursuant to the MOA and 36 CFR 800.7(c), and convened a panel of ACHP members to review this matter and develop ACHP comments. The Navy must consider these comments in reaching a final decision on the treatment of the 16 buildings.

The public meeting announced in this notice is designed to provide the public with an opportunity to provide its input regarding the ACHP's final comment on the matter.

Dated: July 26, 2005.

Don Klima,

Acting Executive Director.
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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

[Docket No. 05-058-1]

Notice of Public Meeting on the Proposed Design and Development of an ePermits System

AGENCY: Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: We are advising the public that the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service is holding a public meeting to introduce, and obtain feedback on, one portion of our proposed ePermits system. This meeting will focus on applications and permits for transiting and importing plants and plant products, including propagative material, fruits and vegetables, logs and

lumber, and material listed in the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora.

DATES: The meeting will be held on Wednesday, August 24, 2005, from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The public meeting will be held at the USDA Center at Riverside, 4700 River Road, Riverdale, MD.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Gwendolyn Burnett, Regulatory Permit Specialist, PPQ, APHIS, 4700 River Road Unit 133, Riverdale, MD 20737; phone (301) 734–8758, or e-mail: Gwendolyn.L.Burnett@aphis.usda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service's (APHIS) Plant Protection and Quarantine program (PPQ) issues permits to persons who wish to import regulated plants and plant products into the United States or to transit regulated plants and plant products through the United States. Persons wishing to import plants and plant products or transit them through the United States must apply for a permit by submitting PPO Form 585 (Application for Permit to Import Timber or Timber Products), Form 586 (Application for Permit to Transit Plants and/or Plant Products through the United States), Form 587 (Application for Permit to Import Plants or Plant Products), Form 588 (Application for Permit to Import Prohibited Plants or Plant Products for Experimental Purposes), or Form 621 (Application for Protected Plant Permit to Engage in the Business of Importing, Exporting, or Reexporting Terrestrial Plants), as appropriate. PPQ issued more than 3,500 permits in 2004.

The APHIS ePermits system is a Webbased user interface that supports the electronic filing, processing, and tracking of applications for APHIS permits, including plant and plant product, plant pest, animal and animal product, and biotechnology permits. The system is scheduled to become available on a limited basis in the fall of 2005, with a series of expansions to follow. When fully implemented, the system will allow applicants to apply for, track the status of, and receive permits using the Internet.

In order to provide an opportunity for applicants for various plant-related permits to review and comment on the software that has been developed for the ePermits system, APHIS is organizing a public meeting to demonstrate the capabilities of the online interface and the permit application data entry process. We will also provide information on short- and long-term plans for the ePermits system and how

to register as an ePermits user. This meeting will focus on applications and permits for transiting and importing plants and plant products, including propagative material, fruits and vegetables, logs and lumber, and material listed in the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora. The public meeting will be held in Riverdale, MD, on August 24, 2005, beginning at 9 a.m., and is scheduled to end at 4:30 p.m.

Registration

Due to space considerations, attendance at the public meeting will be limited to 50 people. We encourage preregistration. You may preregister by visiting http://www.aphis.usda.gov/ppq/permits/stakeholders/workshop2/index.html or by contacting the person listed under FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT by August 19, 2005. Onsite registration for any remaining spaces will be held on the day of the meeting from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m.

Parking and Security Procedures

Please note that a fee of \$2.25 is required to enter the parking lot at the USDA Center at Riverside. The machine accepts \$1 bills or quarters.

Picture identification is required to be admitted into the building. Upon entering the building, visitors should inform security personnel that they are attending the ePermits meeting.

Done in Washington, DC, this 22nd day of July 2005.

Elizabeth Gaston,

Acting Administrator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

[Docket No. 04-081-2]

Notice of Availability of a Document Concerning the Identification of EU Administrative Units

AGENCY: Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, USDA. **ACTION:** Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: We are advising the public that we are finalizing, with minor changes, a draft document that had been prepared by the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service to identify the smallest administrative jurisdictions within 11 Member States of the European Union that we would consider

"regions" in the event of future animal disease outbreaks. The draft document referred to these jurisdictions as "administrative units" and also reevaluated the administrative units already identified for Italy.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Chip Wells, Senior Staff Veterinarian, Regionalization Evaluation Services Staff, National Center for Import and Export, VS, APHIS, 4700 River Road Unit 38, Riverdale, MD 20737–1231; (301) 734–4356.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On April 21, 2005, the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) published in the Federal Register a notice (70 FR 20733-20734, Docket No. 04-081-1) in which we announced the availability of, and requested comments on, a draft document entitled "APHIS Considerations on the Identification of Administrative Units for Certain Member States of the European Union." This draft document identified the smallest administrative jurisdictions within 11 Member States of the European Union (EU) that we would consider "regions" in the event of future animal disease outbreaks. In the draft document we referred to those regions as "administrative units" (AUs). These Member States are: Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, Greece, Ireland, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Portugal, Sweden, and the United Kingdom. We also reevaluated the AUs already identified for Italy.

Comments on the draft document were required to be received on or before June 20, 2005. We received one comment by that date, from the European Communities (EC). The EC was generally supportive of the draft document, however they requested confirmation that APHIS intends to implement regionalization of Member States of the EU to the AU level for other animal diseases in addition to classical swine fever. As stated in the notice, the concept of regionalization to the AU level is not disease-specific and would apply for all animal diseases.

The EC also requested that APHIS identify AUs in the 10 new EU Member States which APHIS would consider the smallest possible administrative jurisdiction with effective control over animal movement and control of animal disease in those Member States. APHIS plans to identify AUs for the 10 new EU Member States as those countries are evaluated. In November 2004, APHIS' Veterinary Services (VS) conducted site visits to Hungary, Slovakia, Poland, and Lithuania, and site visits to Slovenia