working with low-income communities to achieve long-lasting antipoverty objectives; (2) promotion of partnerships and collaboration between the public and private sectors including businesses, community-based organizations (secular and faith-based) and other service programs; (3) recruitment, training, and coordination of local volunteers; (4) mobilization of resources needed to support the project; and (5) development of a sustainable capacity in local communities. While there is no specific match requirement, the level of matching contributions will also be considered in final application

Eligible applicants for AmeriCorps\*VISTA program grants supporting these initiatives must be private non-profit or public organizations. AmeriCorps\*VISTA sponsoring organizations may apply without affecting the status of their current projects. However, applicants must differentiate between this grant's proposed activities and those of the currently-funded program or pending application. Eligible nonprofit and public organizations, including those that have not applied for federal assistance from the Corporation in the past, as well as interested communitybased organizations (secular and faithbased), are encouraged to apply.

Note: This notice is not a complete description of the activities to be funded or of the application requirements. For supplementary information and application guidelines go to the Corporation's Web site at http://www.cns.gov/whatshot/notices.html. You can also find more information about AmeriCorps\*VISTA project sponsorship in general at http://www.americorps.org/vista/ sponsorinfo.html.

DATES: Applications must be received at the Corporation by 5 p.m. on August 15, 2003. We anticipate announcing selections under this Notice no later than September 12, 2003.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit your application to the following address: Corporation for National and Community Service, 1201 New York Avenue NW., Stop 9100, Washington, DC 20525. Due to delays in delivery of regular mail to government offices, there is no guarantee that an application sent by regular mail will arrive in time to be considered. We therefore suggest that you use U.S.P.S. priority mail or a commercial overnight delivery service to make sure that you meet the deadline. We will not accept an application that is submitted via facsimile. Applications for AmeriCorps\*VISTA will not be accepted via eGrants at this time.

### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Kelly Daly at (202) 606-5000 ext. 378, or by e-mail at vista@americorps.org. The TDD number is 202-565-2799. For a printed copy of this NOFA and the supplementary information and application guidelines (available online), contact Ms. Daly at (202) 606-5000 ext. 378. Upon request, this information will be made available in alternate formats for people with disabilities.

Dated: June 26, 2003.

## David Caprara,

Director, AmeriCorps\*VISTA. [FR Doc. 03-16623 Filed 7-1-03; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 6050-\$\$-P

## CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

## Notice of Availability of Funds for AmeriCorps\*VISTA Program Grants in the Southwest Cluster

**AGENCY:** Corporation for National and Community Service.

**ACTION:** Notice of funding availability.

**SUMMARY:** The Corporation for National and Community Service (hereinafter the "Corporation") announces the availability of approximately \$1,200,000 in fiscal year 2003 funds to award AmeriCorps\*VISTA program grants to eligible nonprofit and public organizations providing services in the Corporation's Southwest cluster (AR, AZ, CO, KS, LA, MO, NM, OK, TX). ). Applicant organizations are not required to be geographically-based in the ninestate southwest cluster, so long as the proposed grant activities will provide services within one or more of those nine states. The Corporation anticipates making between 5 and 8 AmeriCorps\*VISTA program grants under this announcement. Each grant budget will support a minimum of 15 and a maximum of 40 AmeriCorps\*VISTA members on a fulltime basis for one year of service. The Corporation will make awards covering a period not to exceed one year with a potential for an additional two years of funding, contingent upon satisfactory performance, the availability of funds, and other criteria established in the award agreement. These estimates are projections for the guidance of potential applicants. The Corporation is not bound by any estimate in this notice. Publication of this announcement does not obligate the Corporation to award any specific number of grants or to obligate the entire amount of funds available, or any part thereof, for grants under the AmeriCorps\*VISTA program.

Applicable regulations include the uniform administrative requirements for grants and agreements with institutions of higher education, hospitals, and other nonprofit organizations, 45 CFR part 2543 or the uniform administrative requirements for grants and cooperative agreements to State and local governments, 45 CFR Part 2541.

AmeriCorps\*VISTA assigns individuals 18 years and older, on a full-time, year-long basis, to public and private nonprofit organizations whose goals are in accord with AmeriCorps\*VISTA's legislative mission. (42 U.S.C. 4951) The purpose of these program grants is to create and expand opportunities for individuals in one of the following two areas: (1) homeland security and (2) seniors in

poverty.

Preference will be given to AmeriCorps\*VISTA Projects serving as ''umbrella sponsorships'' where the applicant provides fiscal and programmatic capacity on behalf of small, community-based (secular and faith based) organizations, and/or local sites of the sponsoring organization. Applicants should be local, state or national organizations working alone or in conjunction with local affiliates that share a vision and common goal of working with low-income communities to achieve long-lasting antipoverty objectives. Proposed projects should focus on:

(1) Promotion of partnerships and collaboration between the public and private sectors including businesses, community-based organizations (secular and faith-based) and other service

(2) Recruitment, training, and coordination of local volunteers;

(3) Mobilization of resources needed to support the project; and

(4) Development of a sustainable capacity in local communities.

While there is no specific match requirement, the level of matching contributions will also be considered in the final application selection.

Eligible applicants for AmeriCorps\*VISTA program grants supporting these initiatives must be private non-profit or public organizations. AmeriCorps\*VISTA sponsoring organizations may apply without affecting the status of their current projects. However, applicants must differentiate between this grant's proposed activities and those of the currently-funded program or pending application. Projects should be statebased (one legal applicant with site(s) in one or more of the nine states in the Southwest region—AR, AZ, CO, KS, LA, MO, NM, OK, TX) to be considered.

Eligible nonprofit and public organizations, including those that have not applied for federal assistance from the Corporation in the past, as well as interested community-based organizations (secular and faith-based), are encouraged to apply.

**Note:** This notice is not a complete description of the activities to be funded or of the application requirements. For supplementary information and application guidelines go to the Corporation's Web site at <a href="http://www.cns.gov/whatshot/notices.html">http://www.cns.gov/whatshot/notices.html</a>. You can also find more information about AmeriCorps\*VISTA project sponsorship in general at <a href="http://www.americorps.org/vista/sponsorinfo.html">http://www.americorps.org/vista/sponsorinfo.html</a>.

**DATES:** Applications must be received at the Corporation by 5 p.m. on August 4, 2003. We anticipate announcing selections under this Notice no later than September 8, 2003.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit your application to the following address: Corporation for National and Community Service, 120 South Federal Place, #315, Santa Fe, NM 87501. Due to delays in delivery of regular mail to government offices, there is no guarantee that an application sent by regular mail will arrive in time to be considered. We therefore suggest that you use U.S.P.S. priority mail or a commercial overnight delivery service to make sure that you meet the deadline. We will not accept an application that is submitted via facsimile. Applications for AmeriCorps\*VISTA will not be accepted via eGrants at this time.

# FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Kathie Ferguson at (303) 312–7959. or *kferguso@cns.gov*. The TDD number is 202–565–2799. For a printed copy of this NOFA and the supplementary information and application guidelines (available on-line), contact Ms. Ferguson at (303) 312–7959. Upon request, this information will be made available in alternate formats for people with disabilities.

Dated: June 26, 2003.

# Cindy R. Salavantis,

Acting Director, Office of Field Liaison. [FR Doc. 03–16624 Filed 7–1–03; 8:45 am]

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### **DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

# Department of the Navy

# Meeting of the Naval Research Advisory Committee

**AGENCY:** Department of the Navy, DOD. **ACTION:** Notice of closed meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Naval Research Advisory Committee (NRAC) Panel on

Electromagnetic (EM) Gun Technology Assessment will meet to provide a technical assessment of the status of EM Gun technology and the potential for achieving the revolutionary performance associated with this concept for Naval applications. From these discussions the NRAC Panel will review and document the performance capabilities considered necessary to achieve a militarily effective EM Gun system; review and assess the currently demonstrated and projected performance of those technologies necessary to field a durable EM gun with predictable, repeatable performance; evaluate the production feasibility of a projectile that will withstand all launch environmental transients and effectively perform at the target; project rough order of magnitude cost estimates for the non-recurring general projectile development program and the subsequent recurring projectile costs. All sessions of the meeting will be closed to the public.

**DATES:** The meetings will be held on Monday, July 7, 2003, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Tuesday, July 8, 2003, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Wednesday, July 9, 2003, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meetings will be held at the Office of Naval Research, 800 North Quincy Street, Arlington, VA 22217–5660.

# FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Dennis Ryan, Program Director, Naval Research Advisory Committee, 800 North Quincy Street, Arlington, VA 22217–5660, (703) 696–6769.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This notice of meeting is provided in accordance with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. App. 2). All sessions of the meeting will be devoted to discussions basic and advanced research and associated science and technology opportunities with respect to concepts and science and technology (S&T) initiatives required to produce a militarily effective Naval EM Gun system. These discussions will contain classified information that is specifically authorized under criteria established by Executive Order to be kept secret in the interest of national defense and are in fact properly classified pursuant to such Executive Order. The classified and non-classified matters to be discussed are so inextricably intertwined as to preclude opening any portion of the meeting. In accordance with 5 U.S.C. App. 2, section 10(d), the Secretary of the Navy has determined in writing that the public interest requires that all sessions of the meeting be closed to the public

because they will be concerned with matters listed in 5 U.S.C. section 552b(c)(1). Due to unavoidable delay in administrative processing, the normal 15 days notice could not be provided.

Dated: June 27, 2003.

### E.F. McDonnell,

Major, U.S. Marine Corps, Federal Register Liaison Officer.

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## **DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

## Department of the Navy

# Meeting of the Naval Research Advisory Committee

**AGENCY:** Department of the Navy, DOD. **ACTION:** Notice of closed meeting.

SUMMARY: The Naval Research Advisory Committee (NRAC) Panel on Technology for FORCEnet will meet to define the concepts and science and technology (S&T) initiatives, including those in the space, atmospheric, surface and subsurface environments, required to achieve the visions of FORCEnet and Sea Power 21. From these discussions the NRAC Panel will recommend appropriate near and far term naval science and technology investments to enhance FORCEnet. All sessions of the meeting will be closed to the public.

DATES: The meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 8, 2003, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Wednesday, July 9, 2003, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and Thursday, July 10, 2003, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The meetings will be held at the Office of Naval Research, 800 North Quincy Street, Arlington, VA 22217–5660.

## FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Dennis Ryan, Program Director, Naval Research Advisory Committee, 800 North Quincy Street, Arlington, VA 22217–5660, (703) 696–6769.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This notice of meeting is provided in accordance with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. App. 2). All sessions of the meeting will be devoted to discussions basic and advanced research and associated science and technology opportunities with respect to concepts and science and technology (S&T) initiatives, including those in the space, atmospheric, surface and subsurface environments, required to achieve the visions of FORCEnet and Sea Power 21. These discussions will contain classified information that is specifically authorized under criteria