

the colder months, no dredging or blasting will occur seaward of the Third Harbor Tunnel between December 1 and March 31.

- A marine mammal observer will be on board the scows transiting to the MBDS from February 1 to May 31 to avoid potential ship strikes with marine mammals, and in particular the North Atlantic Right Whale.
- Rock removed from the Presidents Road Anchorage area will be placed within a new area of the MBDS to increase habitat diversity.
- The dredge contractor will provide advance notice to the lobstermen on anticipated significant dredge movements.
- The dredge contractor will maintain a short tow while inside Boston Harbor to minimize disruption of lobster pots.

Based on incorporation of the above mitigation measures, the experience gained during construction of the BHNIP, and lack of any water quality violations or other significant effects from the BHNIP, no significant impacts to the environment are expected from the Boston Harbor Inner Harbor Maintenance Dredging Project. All practicable means to avoid or minimize adverse environmental effects have been incorporated into the recommended plan. The public interest will best be served by implementing maintenance dredging as identified and described in the Supplemental Environmental Impact Report.

Dated: August 1, 2006.

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## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

### Notice of Proposed Information Collection Requests

**AGENCY:** Department of Education.

**SUMMARY:** The Leader, Information Policy and Standards Team, 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 10, 2006.

**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 Leader, Information Policy and Standards Team, 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 3, 2006.

**Leo J. Eiden,**

*Leader, Information Policy and Standards Team, Regulatory Information Management Services, Office of Management.*

### Institute of Education Sciences

*Type of Review:* New.

*Title:* Priority Needs for Educational Research Needs of the Southwest and Establishing a Baseline for SWREL Performance.

*Frequency:* Annually.

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

*Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:*

*Responses:* 8,052.

*Burden Hours:* 4,030.

*Abstract:* The Southwestern Regional Educational Laboratory (SWREL) has been tasked with establishing a baseline for SWREL performance and identifying

the educational needs (Pre-K through Higher Education) of constituents within its five state region. The respondents will consist of parents, business leaders, and educators (e.g., teachers, principals, testing directors, etc.) from Arkansas, Louisiana, New Mexico, Oklahoma, and Texas. The information obtained in this project will provide a landscape of the region. It will also identify the educational research needs of SWREL constituents and create insights needed to most efficiently serve those constituents. In addition, it will identify satisfaction levels with current research available, identify educational issues facing SWREL constituents, and identify unique areas of technical assistance most needed.

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 3165. 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](mailto: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](mailto: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 ENERGY

### Office of Science; High Energy Physics Advisory Panel

**AGENCY:** Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Notice of open meeting.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces a meeting of the High Energy Physics Advisory Panel (HEPAP). Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770) requires that public notice of these meetings be announced in the **Federal Register**.

**DATES:** Thursday, October 12, 2006, 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Friday, October 13, 2006, 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.