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THE COMMISSION OF FINE ARTS

2005 National Capital Arts and Cultural Affairs Program

Notice is hereby given that Public Law 99-190, as amended, authorizing the National Capital Arts and Cultural Affairs Program, has been funded for 2005 in the amount of \$7,000,000.00. All requests for information and applications for grants should be received by 31 December 2004 and addressed to: Frederick J. Lindstrom, Acting Secretary/NCACA Program Administrator, Commission of Fine Arts, National Building Museum, Suite 312, 401 F Street, NW., Washington, DC 20001-2728. Phone: 202-504-2200.

Deadline for receipt of grant applications is March 1, 2005.

This program provides grants for general operating support of organizations whose primary purpose is performing, exhibiting, and/or presenting the arts. To be eligible for a grant, organizations must be located in the District of Columbia, must be non-profit, non-academic institutions of demonstrated national repute, and must have annual incomes, exclusive of federal funds, in excess of one million dollars for each of the past three years. Organizations seeking grants must provide a Dun and Bradstreet (D&S) Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS) number when applying.

Frederick J. Lindstrom,

Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army

Availability of U.S. Patents for Non-Exclusive, Exclusive, or Partially-Exclusive Licensing

AGENCY: Department of the Army, DoD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with 37 CFR 404.6, announcement is made of the availability of the following U.S. patent for non-exclusive, partially exclusive or exclusive licensing. The listed patent has been assigned to the United States

of America as represented by the Secretary of the Army, Washington, DC.

This patent covers a wide variety of technical arts including: The detection and tracking of moving targets in a given video input stream for surveillance and reconnaissance purposes.

Under the authority of Section 11(a) of the Federal Technology Transfer Act of 1986 (Pub. L. 99-502) and Section 207 of Title 35, United States Code, the Department of the Army as represented by the U.S. Army Research Laboratory wish to license the U.S. patent listed below in a non-exclusive, exclusive or partially exclusive manner to any party interested in manufacturing, using, and/or selling devices or processes covered by this patent.

Title: Moving Target Indication Algorithm for Video Surveillance Applications.

Inventors: Alex Chan.

Patent Number: Provisional Application, Registration No. 39,612.

Issued Date: Filed September 13, 2004.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Norma Cammarata, Technology Transfer Office, AMSRD-ARL-DP-T, Army Research Laboratory, Adelphi, MD 20783-1197, tel: (301) 394-2952, fax: (301) 394-5818.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: None.

Brenda S. Bowen,

Army Federal Register Liaison Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army

Notice of Intent To Exclusively License U.S. Army Invention

AGENCY: Department of the Army, DoD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with 37 CFR 404.6, announcement is made of the intent to exclusively license a U.S. Army Invention entitled Moving Target Indication Algorithm for Video Surveillance Applications. The invention intended to be licensed has been assigned to the United States of America as represented by the Secretary of the Army, Washington, DC.

Under the authority of Section 11(a)(2) of the Federal Technology Transfer Act of 1986 (Pub. L. 99-502) and Section 207 of Title 35, United States Code, the Department of the Army as represented by the U.S. Army Research Laboratory intends to exclusively or partially exclusively

license the invention listed below to videoNEXT Network Solutions, LLC, a small business which is interested in manufacturing, using and/or selling devices or processes involved in this invention.

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Inventors: Alex Chan.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: None.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army; Corps of Engineers

Intent To Prepare a Draft Environmental Impact Statement, Lower Snake River Reservoirs Navigation Maintenance, in the States of Washington, and Idaho

AGENCY: Department of the Army, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, DoD.

ACTION: Notice of intent.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) intends to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for performing routine maintenance of the Federal navigation channel and certain public port facilities on the lower Snake and Clearwater Rivers in Washington and Idaho. The EIS will evaluate the actions the Corps could take to maintain the authorized navigation channel and port facilities in the short-term and will identify the preferred alternative.

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Region 10, will be a cooperating agency for this EIS. The Corps will work with EPA during development of the EIS to consider and incorporate, as appropriate, the policies and procedures currently evolving for the Northwest Regional Dredging Team (RDT), as referred to in the April 26, 2002, policy letter jointly signed by Brigadier General David A. Tastabend, Corps of Engineers, Northwestern Division Commander, and L. John Iani, EPA Region 10 Administrator.

DATES: Submit comments by January 18, 2005.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Jack Sands, Project Manager, Walla Walla District, Corps of Engineers, CENWW-PM-PPM, 201 North Third Avenue, Walla Walla, WA 99362, phone (509) 527-7287, or Ms. Sandra Simmons, NEPA Coordinator, Walla Walla District, Corps of Engineers, CENWW-PD-EC, 201 North Third Avenue, Walla Walla, WA 99362, phone (509) 527-7265.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Walla Walla District (Corps) has the responsibility to operate and maintain the congressionally authorized Federal navigation channel in the lower Snake River from McNary reservoir on the mid-Columbia River up the Snake River to Lewiston, Idaho at the confluence of the Snake and Clearwater Rivers. The Corps is authorized by Congress to maintain a channel 250 feet wide and 14 feet deep as measured at minimum regulated flows. Historically the Corps has routinely dredged accumulated sediments from the navigation channel to maintain its operational efficiency. The Corps has not performed maintenance dredging in the channel since the winter of 1998-1999.

Presently sediment has accumulated in the Federal navigation channel to the point that the channel is less than 14 feet deep at minimum pool at several locations. Sediment has also accumulated in port berthing facilities in the Lewiston-Clarkston area, reducing the water depth at those facilities to less than 14 feet. The shallow water depths in the Federal channel and port facilities are interfering with commercial navigation and creating a potentially hazardous situation. Barge companies and commercial vessels are having difficulty accessing port facilities and navigating the federal channel due to shallow conditions. In response to these conditions they have made costly operational changes. Additional sediment accumulation could render these operational changes ineffective and increase the potential for safety hazards and additional economic impact.

The Corps recognizes the need to restore the authorized depth of the navigation channel and port facilities, and that additional sediment is likely to accumulate with each successive spring runoff. Therefore, the Corps proposes to take action at the first opportunity following the spring 2005 runoff to address the accumulated sediment. The local ports will fund any actions the Corps takes within the port facilities.

The Corps will consider both dredging and non-dredging measures, either separately or in combination. Measures identified to date include no action, sediment reduction, reservoir drawdown/flushing, dredging with traditional protocols, and dredging with beneficial use of dredged material.

At this time, the Corps does not plan to conduct public scoping meetings for this EIS. However, affected Federal, state, and local agencies; Indian tribes; and other interested organizations and individuals are invited to provide input to the Corps on the scope of this EIS. To ensure consideration, input on the scope should be provided to the Corps by comment date (*see DATES*).

Additional opportunities for public input on the EIS will be provided during the normal review periods for the draft and final EIS.

The draft EIS is currently scheduled to be available for public review in early 2005.

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LTC, EN, Commanding.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army; Corps of Engineers

Coastal Engineering Research Board; Meeting

AGENCY: Department of the Army, DoD.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: In accordance with Section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463), announcement is made of the following committee meeting:

Name of Committee: Coastal Engineering Research Board (CERB).

Date of Meeting: 6-7 January 2005.

Place: Hyatt Regency DFW, DFW Airport, Texas.

Time: 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. (6 January 2005). 8 a.m. to 12 noon (7 January 2005).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Inquiries and notice of intent to attend the meeting may be addressed to Colonel James R. Rowan, Executive Secretary, U.S. Army Engineer Research and Development Center, Waterways Experiment Station, 3909 Halls Ferry Road, Vicksburg, Mississippi 39180-6199.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: *Proposed*

Agenda: An Executive Session of the Board will meet to discuss action items from past meetings and ongoing initiatives.

This meeting is open to the public, but since seating capacity of the meeting room is limited, advance notice of intent to attend, although not required, is requested in order to assure adequate arrangements for those wishing to attend.

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Army Federal Register Liaison Officer.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Request for Nominations to the National Advisory Council for Environmental Policy and Technology (NACEPT)

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of request for nominations.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency invites nominations to fill vacancies on its National Advisory Council for Environmental Policy and Technology (NACEPT). The Agency seeks qualified senior-level decision makers from diverse sectors throughout the United States to be considered for appointments. EPA encourages interested applicants to send their resumes and qualifications as soon as possible. Additional avenues and resources may be utilized in the solicitation of nominees.

ADDRESSES: Submit nominations to: Ms. Sonia Altieri, Designated Federal Officer, Office of Cooperative Environmental Management, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (1601E), 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20460.

Background: NACEPT is a Federal advisory committee under the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Public Law 92463. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency established NACEPT in 1988 to provide independent advice to the EPA Administrator on a broad range of environmental policy, technology and management issues. NACEPT consists of a representative cross-section of EPA's partners, stakeholders, and constituents who provide timely advice and recommendations on environmental issues, and serve as a sounding board for new strategies that EPA is developing.

We anticipate the Council addressing issues related to environmental technology, environmental foresight,