

Central Review

of Legislative & Regulatory Actions



The U.S. Army Regional Environmental & Energy Office

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The Central Region Review provides current information on government affairs, energy and environment relevant to Department of Defense interests in the 9 states in Federal Regions 6 and 7. The Review is intended to be a tool useful to DoD and Army leaders, planners, and program managers in carrying out their responsibilities. The Central Region Review monitors and targets proposed and final regulations and legislation that may affect Army or DoD operations. For further information please visit the ARMY/S REGIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL AND ENERGY OFFICES' website.



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DOD GRANT AIDS ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS PUSH TO CUT INSTALLATION ENERGY BILLS

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Fort Worth District, has received a \$1.22 million grant from the Department of Defense to develop a new analytic tool to help cut energy consumption at military installations worldwide.

The grant is from DoD's <u>Environmental Security Technology Certification Program</u>, which helps identify and demonstrate promising technology, then helps transfer it into daily use.

The two-year grant will support a collaborative effort led by the district's Planning Support Center within the Regional Planning and Environmental Center. Other program partners include the Army Engineer Research and Development Center-Construction Engineering Research Laboratory, and Fort Hood and Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam where the technology will initially be deployed.

The effort integrates capabilities of two existing analytic tools to more quickly, effectively and routinely evaluate ways to cut the Pentagon's energy bill.

The Comprehensive Army Master Planning Solution Dashboard (CAMPS), which includes facility inventory and meter data, will be joined with the Net Zero Planner, which provides energy use life-cycle analysis and forecasting. Alone, CAMPS lacked the scenario planning and energy use projection capability of the Net Zero Planner while the Net Zero Planner required significant and costly data collection of building inventory and meter data at the beginning of a study.

(By James Frisinger, USACE PAO. <u>Link to complete article</u>.)

Customer's Corner: Please email any comments, questions, lessons learned, best practices, etc. to <u>Jim Mayer</u> at james.a.mayer.ctr@mail.mil.

Region 6





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Legislature convened 10 Feb 14 and adjourned 26 Mar 14 (fiscal session only).

FINAL RULE

(EFFECTIVE 10 MAR 14) TRIENNIAL REVIEW OF WATER QUALITY STANDARDS (REGULATION No. 2). ADEQ adopted changes to Commission Regulation 2 (AR Water Quality Standards) developed through the Triennial Review process. Many changes involve language revisions to clarify regulation definitions or provisions, or to incorporate changes due to EPA actions. Areas affected include: critical flow; reformatting of bacteria criteria; addition of site specific nutrient criteria for Beaver Lake; reformatting of site specific mineral criteria; addition of endangered, threatened, or endemic species to currently designated ecologically sensitive water body stream segments; and removal of certain stream segments.

(EFFECTIVE 13 APR 14) STATE ADMINISTRATION OF NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM (NPDES) (REGULATION No. 6). Significant changes include addition of "average flow" definition; a section for NPDES permit financial assurance requirements, including language exempting commercial non-municipal wastewater treatment systems that do not provide residential service from financial assurance provisions; language involving permit renewals relating to previous compliance records and financial solvency of permit holders; language requiring ADEQ to certify within 30 days of receiving a new permit application whether the proposed receiving stream for permit discharge is an existing or potential public drinking water supply source; requirements for minimum effluent limits; and that any pending permit or order not in compliance upon its effective date will be stayed or waived.



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Legislature convenes 24 Mar 14 and adjourns 5 Jun 14.

PROPOSED LEGISLATION

(NEW) <u>HB 1067</u> requires any rules promulgated by the Office of Facility Planning and Control for the LA Building Code for state owned buildings or major facility projects recognize certain initiative and certification programs in achieving sustainable building standards. Sponsor: Representative Eddie J. Lambert (R).

(NEW) <u>HCR 10</u> approves the 2014-2015 <u>annual plan</u> for integrated coastal protection, as adopted by the Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority. Sponsor: Representative Patrick Connick (R).

(NEW) <u>HCR 13</u> approves the 2014-2015 <u>Atchafalaya Basin Annual Plan</u>, and appoints a technical advisory group to review, evaluate, and approve all water management and water quality projects proposed for inclusion in the plan to determine if projects meet criteria for inclusion, and make recommendations to the Atchafalaya Basin Research and Promotion Board. Sponsor: Karen Gaudet St. Germain (D).

FINAL RULE

(EFFECTIVE 20 MAR 14) <u>ASBESTOS CONTAINING MATERIALS IN SCHOOLS AND STATE BUILDINGS</u> (LAC 33:III.27). Updates rule requiring education agencies and state government to identify friable and nonfriable asbestos containing material (ACM) in schools and state buildings, and develop management plans to manage asbestos.

(EFFECTIVE 20 MAR 14) <u>EMISSION STANDARD FOR ASBESTOS - DEMOLITION AND RENOVATION</u> (LAC 33:III.5151). Updates rules regulating asbestos, including removal, renovation, or demolition of regulated ACM, and notification and accreditation requirements.

PROPOSED RULE

(NEW) REISSUANCE OF THE GENERAL PERMIT for discharges of stormwater from construction activities five acres or greater. The general permit (LPDES Permit No. LAR100000) expires 30 Sep 14. Changes include time frame for permit coverage and annual general permit fees. Current permit holders owing outstanding fees to LDEQ will not be extended automatic coverage under the reissued general permit. All past due invoices must be paid by the effective date of the general permit. Announcement for comments is anticipated in Jul 14. POC: Ardrene Logan, (225) 219-3203.



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Legislature convened 21 Jan 14 and adjourned 20 Feb 14.

LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY OF ITEMS PREVIOUSLY REPORTED

HM 62 (Companion SM 42), Kirtland AFB Fuel Spill Cleanup: Died (Action Postponed Indefinitely (API)).

HM 72, Location of High Powered Transmission Line (Near White Sands Missile Range): Signed by the Governor

SB 77, Inter-Basin Water Rights Transfers: Died (API)

SJM 24, Fort Wingate Depot Cleanup: Died (API)

SM 42 (Companion HM 62), Kirtland AFB Fuel Spill Cleanup: Signed by the Governor



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Legislature convened 2 Feb 14 and adjourns 31 May 14.

PROPOSED LEGISLATION

(NEW) <u>SB 1884</u> modifies OK Combined Pesticide Law by clarifying statutory language, modifying authority of the board, and removing threshold requirements for soil residue of pesticide concentrations. Sponsor: Senator Ron Justice (R).



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Legislature not in session in 2014.

FINAL RULE

(EFFECTIVE 23 MAR 14) <u>DRAINING OF WATER FROM VESSELS LEAVING OR APPROACHING PUBLIC FRESH WATER</u> (31 TAC 57.1001). Amendment adds 30 counties to list of counties where water transportation restrictions are in place to control spread of zebra mussels (Dreissena polymorpha).

(EFFECTIVE 30 MAR 14) PRESCRIBED BURN PROGRAM CERTIFICATION, TRAINING, RECORD KEEPING, ETC. Prescribed Burning Board made revisions to TAC Chapters 225-229, related to administration of the prescribed burn program and certification of prescribed and insured burn managers. Repeal of old and addition of new, sections are adopted to consolidate and reorganize existing rules and make changes based on board and legislative action.





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Legislature convened 12 Jan 14 and adjourns 7 May 14.

FINAL RULE

(EFFECTIVE 12 MAR 14) **ENERGY CONSERVATION CODE** (661 IAC 301.10, 303.1-303.3) establishes thermal energy efficiency standards for design of new buildings and structures or portions thereof, additions to existing buildings, and renovation and remodeling of existing buildings, except for certain residential buildings.

PROPOSED RULE

(NEW) <u>Certification of Section 404 Regional Permit 7 (RP 7)</u>. IA Environmental Commission is providing a Notice of Intended Action to amend Chapter 61.2(2) "g" and allow Department to grant Section 401 Water Quality Certification for the Army Corps of Engineers Regional RP 7. Comments due 18 Apr 14. POC: <u>Christine Schwake</u>, (515) 281-6615.



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Legislature convened 12 Jan 14 and adjourns 29 Apr 14.

PROPOSED LEGISLATION

(UPDATED) HB 2118 (replaced SB 281) would repeal the Nongame and Endangered Species Conservation Act in its entirety, including definitions; duties and authorities assigned to the Secretary of Wildlife, Parks and Tourism; plans; guidelines; permits; rule and regulation authority; and the volunteer local advisory committee. On 31 Mar 14 this bill was stricken from the calendar, and is dead.

OTHER REGULATORY ACTIVITY AND GENERAL INFORMATION

(NEW) Species Listing and De-Listing as Threatened or Endangered Species. Department of Wildlife, Parks and Tourism announces public informational meetings to present background information regarding certain species for listing or de-listing as threatened or endangered species. Meetings coincide with scientific review of species outside the agency, at least 90 days prior to submission of any proposed listing action to the Wildlife and Parks Commission. POC: Ecological Services Division, (620) 672-5911.

Species under review:

Silverband Shiner (Notropis shumardi): Threatened/Remove

Chestnut Lamprey (Icthyomyzon castaneus): Threatened/Remove

Many-ribbed Salamander (Eurycea multiplicata): Endangered/Remove

Spring Peeper (Pseudacris crucifer): Threatened/Remove

Redbelly Snake (Storeria occipitomaculata): Threatened/Remove

Smooth Earth Snake (Virginia valeriae): Threatened/Remove

Longnose Snake (Rhinocheilus lecontei): Threatened/Reviewing at Secretary's request

Eskimo Curlew (Numenius borealis): Endangered/Remove

Black-capped Vireo (Vireo atricapillus): Endangered/Remove

Northern Long-eared Bat (Myotis septentrionalis): Not listed/Add to Threatened

Meetings:

11 Apr 14 - 3 pm, Galena, KS

14 Apr 14 - 3 pm, Shawnee Mission, KS

15 Apr 14 - 3 pm, Topeka, KS

22 Apr 14 - 3 pm, Garden City, KS

23 Apr 14 - 3 pm, Hays, KS



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Legislature convened 8 Jan 14 and adjourns 30 May 14.

PROPOSED LEGISLATION

(NEW) <u>HB 2185</u> repeals provision of the MO Clean Water Law (Section 644.051 RSMo) allowing Department of Natural Resources to take any action through a water pollution permit to assure protection of environment and human health.

(NEW) <u>HCR 48</u> strongly urges Army Corps of Engineers to not proceed with Jameson Island project unless excavated soil is deposited outside the meander belt and not into Missouri River. Sponsor: Committee on Natural Resources.

OTHER REGULATORY ACTIVITY AND GENERAL INFORMATION

DRUM-TOP BULB CRUSHERS AND RELATED ISSUES. MO DNR Hazardous Waste Forum, 18 Mar 14 Meeting Item: MDNR presentation on drum-top bulb crushers and related issues. MDNR has become aware many green-tip lamps are deceptive in that they do not meet Toxicity Characteristic Leaching Procedure (TCLP) for Mercury (Hg). MDNR advised before using green-tip lamps, obtain and review documentation demonstrating they passed TCLP, otherwise, users failed to make an appropriate hazardous waste determination. MDNR is also aware fluorescent bulbs, even green-tip bulbs, are in some instances failing TCLP for other metals. MDNR recommends users check documentation if they rely solely on manufacturer's representations for hazardous waste determination on lamps. If users do their own TCLP studies, remember to conduct studies on expended bulbs. MDNR also commented on LED lamps, mentioning at least some lamps have boards and soldering that may cause the entire device to fail TCLP. MDNR POC: Tony Pierce, (573) 751-3465.



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Legislature convened 8 Jan 14 and adjourned 1 Apr 14.

PROPOSED LEGISLATION

(NEW) <u>LR 522</u> authorizes an interim study to examine U.S Department of Transportation's Maritime Administration's designation of the MO River from South Sioux City, NE, south to Kansas City, MO, as the M-29 Marine Highway Connector.

Department of Defense Activity

REEO WEBINAR: Introduction to the Regional Environmental and Energy Offices. On 30 Apr 14 at 2 pm EST, Army REEO-Southern will host an overview of what REEOs do, how they operate, and how they can help you. The 30 minute webinar will highlight the roles and responsibilities of a DoD Regional Environmental Coordinator, how REEOs conduct legislative engagement, their work with the Army Energy Initiatives Task Force, and keys to successful partnering. Access the meeting at https://connect.dco.dod.mil/reeointro/. Participants can access via a DCO account or "Enter as a Guest". Contact REEO-S for further information.

2014 READINESS AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION INTEGRATION (REPI) ANNUAL REPORT TO CONGRESS is now available and highlights eleven years of sustaining mission capabilities with REPI. Through Fiscal Year 2013, REPI has protected 314,991 acres in 72 locations in 27 states.

AIR FORCE ONLINE DATABASE FOR ENVIRONMENTAL CLEANUP RECORDS are now available online to the public. <u>Database</u> includes administrative records for over 170 active and closed installations in the continental US, with a variety of documents, including records of decision, engineering and cost evaluations, site inspection reports, state closure documents, and other documentation as required by the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA) and RCRA. Officials at each installation are now responsible for maintaining files that comprise the administrative record.

Website Update. The update of the Army Environmental Safety and Occupational Health (ESOH) Community on the Acquisition Community Connection (ACC) is complete. New content elaborates on guidance in the Defense Acquisition Guidebook and contains key resources, including information deemed most important during site improvement efforts. Additional topics such as battery safety, laser safety, and energy usage/fuel consumption reduction will be added to site. CAC login required.

Federal Activity

AIR

TEST METHODS AND REGULATIONS. EPA issued a final rule promulgating numerous technical and editorial corrections for source testing of emissions and operations (79 FR 11227). Most corrections or flexibility additions are minor. EPA POC: Lula Melton, (919) 541-2910.

SULFUR DIOXIDE. EPA issued <u>draft Integrated Review Plan for the Primary National Ambient Air Quality Standard for Sulfur Dioxide</u> (draft IRP) (79 FR 14035), containing plans for the review of air quality criteria for sulfur oxides and national ambient air quality standard (NAAQS) for sulfur dioxide. Comments due 17 Apr 14. EPA POC: Michael J. Stewart, (919) 541-7524.

CLEANUP

ARMY TO ADDRESS ABANDONED EXPLOSIVES AND PROPELLANT. EPA issued a Mar 14 order to the Army to address 15 million pounds of abandoned explosives and propellant stored at Camp Minden in Minden, LA (News Release). Site has been owned and operated by the State of LA and the LA Military Department since 2005. A private company under contract with the Army used site to improperly store unused explosives and propellant. As material ages, it becomes more unstable, increasing chances of an uncontrolled explosion. EPA's order found the Army contributed to illegal storage and handling of waste explosives, thereby created an imminent and substantial endangerment of public health and environment. After receiving the order, the Army must submit to EPA a disposal plan that includes safety measures for disposal workers and the surrounding area. Order also requires the Army to plan for health and safety of the local community during and after cleanup. Additional information on EPA enforcement activities is available. EPA POC: Jennah

Durant or Joe Hubbard at (214) 665-2200, repress@epa.gov.

CLIMATE CHANGE

GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS AND SINKS. EPA released <u>Draft Inventory of US Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Sinks: 1990-2012 (79 FR 10143)</u> containing estimates of carbon dioxide (CO_2), methane (CO_4), nitrous oxide (O_2), hydrofluorocarbons (HFC), perfluorocarbons (PFC), and sulfur hexafluoride (O_4) emissions. Inventory also includes estimates of carbon fluxes in US agricultural and forest lands. In 2012, total US GHG emissions were 6,501.5 Teragrams (O_4), or million metric tons, O_4 0 Equivalent (O_4 0). Total US emissions increased by 4.4 percent from 1990 to 2012, and emissions decreased by 3.3 percent (225.0 Tg O_4 0) from 2011 to 2012. EPA POC: <u>Leif Hockstad</u>, (202) 343-9432.

2013 GLOBAL CLIMATE REPORT. The average global temperature for 2013 tied as the fourth warmest year since record keeping began in 1880, according to the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA). It also marked the 37th consecutive year with a global temperature above the 20th century average. The last below-average annual temperature was in 1976. Including 2013, all 13 years of the 21st century (2001-2013) rank among the 15 warmest in the 134-year period of record. The three warmest years on record are 1998, 2005, and 2010. Analysis is from NOAA's National Climatic Data Center in Asheville, North Carolina.

NATURAL RESOURCES

JAGUAR. USFWS designated critical habitat approximately 764,207 acres in Pima, Santa Cruz, and Cochise counties, Arizona, and Hidalgo County, NM (79 FR 12571) for the jaguar. Within the designated critical habitat area, USFWS determined conservation efforts identified in the 2013 Installation Natural Resources Management Plan (INRMP) for Fort Huachuca provides a benefit to the jaguar and habitat. Therefore, lands subject to the Fort Huachuca INRMP, including lands leased from the DoD by other parties, are exempt from critical habitat designation. USFWS is not including a total of 15,867 acres in the final critical habitat designation because of the exemption. <u>Additional information</u> is available. USFWS POC: Steve Spangle, (602) 242-0210.

RCRA

FEDERAL ELECTRONIC ASSETS. The General Services Administration (GSA) is proposing revisions to the Federal Management Regulation (FMR) to address end-of-life management of electronics, and implement recommendations of the Interagency Task Force on Electronics Stewardship report, titled "National Strategy for Electronic Stewardship." Proposed revisions would add new definitions, including definitions for Federal Electronic Assets (FEA) and Certified Recycler to identify entities certified to safely refurbish and/or recycle used electronics. Any asset identified as non-functional FEA could only be transferred or sold to a certified recycler. GSA has identified two electronics recycling standards to which recyclers may conform to be considered a "certified recycler," the Responsible Recycling (R2) Standard and e-Stewards Standard. Additional information regarding reuse, recycling, and refurbishment is available. Comments are due to GSA by 5 May 14. GSA POC: Robert Holcombe, (202) 501-3828.

WATER

POINT SOURCE CATEGORY REGULATIONS. EPA finalized changes to effluent limitations guidelines and standards for Construction and Development point source category (79 FR 12661). Changes are being promulgated pursuant to a settlement agreement to resolve litigation and withdraws the numeric discharge standards, which are currently stayed, and changes several of the non-numeric provisions of the existing rule. Exception provisions include:

- Minimizing soil compaction is not required in areas intended for subsequent compaction;
- Preserving topsoil is not required in areas where the intended site function dictates topsoil be disturbed or removed; and
- Minimizing precipitation and stormwater exposure of materials stored onsite is not required in cases where such exposure produces little risk of stormwater contamination (such as final products intended for outdoor use).

This final rule is effective on 5 May 14. EPA POC: Jesse Pritts, (202) 566-1038.

PROTECTION FOR STREAMS AND WETLANDS. EPA and the Army Corps of Engineers have jointly released a proposed rule to clarify protection under the Clean Water Act (CWA) for streams and wetlands. Proposed definitions of waters will apply to all CWA programs. Rule does not protect any new types of waters not historically covered under the CWA and is consistent with Supreme Court's more narrow reading of CWA jurisdiction. EPA <u>provided detailed explanations</u> of proposed rule impacts .

Professional Development

FEDERAL FACILITIES ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP AND COMPLIANCE ASSISTANCE CENTER - <u>FedCenter.gov.</u> is federal government's home for comprehensive environmental stewardship, compliance assistance, and professional development information with wide variety of information in:

- Program development (e.g., environmental management systems, green procurement program);
- Federal and state regulatory requirements for various facility activities;
- Regulatory Watch for information on new or changed laws or regulations;
- P2 opportunities and best management practices;
- EPA enforcement notices;
- Links to state environmental programs;
- Access to **ENVIRONMENTAL ASSISTANCE**;
- Environmental <u>conferences</u>, <u>meetings</u>, <u>training</u>, and <u>workshop</u> information;
- Applicable laws and Executive Orders; and
- Industry sector-specific newsletters.

FedCenter also provides member assistance services such as:

- · Collaboration tools for workgroups,
- Environmental reporting tools, and
- Daily newsletter and subscription services.

29 APR-1 MAY 14, WASHINGTON, DC: ENERGY SAVINGS PERFORMANCE CONTRACTS (ESPC) WORKSHOP educates attendees on how to implement energy and water projects through an energy savings performance contract (ESPC) and consists of a basic introduction to the Department of Energy (DOE) Indefinite Delivery/Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) contracts and how to get started. Training covers task order ordering procedures, contractor selection, energy saving technologies, risk and responsibility, measurement and verification, understanding task order schedules, pricing and financing aspects of the project, and post award contract administration. Breakout sessions focus on technical and contracting topics. Registration is open to federal employees and DOE management and operating (M&O) contractors. The Introduction to ESPC webinar is a prerequisite to this course. Course also offered 13-15 May 14 in San Antonio, TX and 24-26 Jun 14 in Los Angeles, CA.

5-6 MAY 14, CHICAGO, IL: ADVANCED UTILITY ENERGY SERVICES CONTRACTING (UESC) WORKSHOP. UESCs offer a method for serving utilities to provide significant assistance to federal agencies through comprehensive energy efficiency/renewable energy projects including financing and performance assurance. Advanced workshop will examine strategies and methods used by experienced contracting officers and technical teams from project development to contract award and post-acceptance. Attendees will work through exercises designed to develop a project using templates and samples. Priority registration will be given to contracting officers, contracting specialists, and other federal employees. Attendees from private industry will be admitted (one per company) as space allows.

19-21 MAY 14, ARLINGTON, VA: 4TH DEFENSE RENEWABLE ENERGY SUMMIT brings together military decision-makers with renewable energy developers and leading financiers to facilitate formation of this new market. Summit will explore how viable and financeable projects can be developed to profit all. It will provide the latest on emerging guidelines and processes for a new market that melds complexity of federal acquisitions with risk allocation methods of project finance, as well as practical experience gained on pioneering projects.

20-23 May 14, Orlando, FL: Society of Military Engineers Joint Engineer Training Conference. Sessions include topics such as micro grids and energy security, response to national disasters, and current practices.

5 JUN 14, ONLINE: ENERGY EFFICIENCY EXPERT EVALUATIONS: A CUSTOMIZED ASSESSMENT APPROACH seminar will describe a step-by-step method to conduct an Energy Efficiency Expert Evaluation -- a customized process to meet site-

specific energy goals. This approach combines the most effective features of an energy audit and retro-commissioning, while avoiding the limitations of each. Learn about a multi-disciplinary process to streamline site visit planning and on-site discovery, recommend corrective measures, establish a "Master List of Findings," and complete the project handoff.

19-22 AUG 14, MINNEAPOLIS, MN: <u>NATIONAL CONFERENCE OF STATE LEGISLATURES NATIONAL SUMMIT</u> is the largest summer gathering of legislators and staff in the country and gives attendees the opportunity to talk with legislators and staff from around the country to explore issues, get new ideas, hear about innovations and solutions, and learn about emerging issues.

VARIOUS DATES AND TIMES ONLINE

AIR FORCE INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY (AFIT) TRAINING COURSE, QUALIFIED RECYCLING PROGRAM MANAGEMENT provides DoD requirements for operating a Qualified Recycling Program (QRP). Course emphasizes principles and techniques to assist students in implementing a sound QRP by focusing on learning what products can be recycled, products prohibited from recycling, QRP regulations, necessary processing equipment, collection and sorting methods to maximize returns, establishing contracts, recording transactions, DoD recordkeeping, and estimating future budgets.

ANYTIME ONLINE

DEFENSE ACQUISITION UNIVERSITY (DAU) developed online resources available for the DoD workforce, industry partners, and other federal, state, and local government organizations that provide the ability to apply for a course, take a continuous learning module for continuous learning credit, research policy and other documents, link to related learning and knowledge content, ask a professor a question, contribute knowledge objects (such as lessons learned, best practices, templates, or samples), or collaborate with peers on work issues.

DOILEARN houses natural resource courses and training offered by all organizations within the Department of Interior, to include the National Park System, Fish and Wildlife Service, and Bureau of Land Management.

GOLEARN provides government employees and military personnel with web-based learning and development courses, and other products and services. Site registration is required, including a nominal fee for federal users.

ACHIEVING ENERGY SECURITY IN FEDERAL FACILITIES builds competency in protecting critical missions by integrating energy security measures into all aspects of operations. Employ critical principles to increase energy security, such as diversity, redundancy, reducing demand, planning, and emergency management. Consider technologies that support energy security and develop an understanding of key issues related to short- and long-term energy disruptions, including storage and maintenance issues.

<u>NPDES TRAINING</u>. The web-based NPDES permit writers training is a series of web-based recordings of presentations. This training is appropriate for those who have attended the live course and wish to review the material in a self-paced environment, and for those who wish to become familiar with the NPDES process. A certificate of completion is available for each module in the series.

FEMP ENERGY MANAGEMENT PROGRAM ONLINE TRAINING. FEMP trains federal energy managers on the latest energy requirements, best practices, and technologies. Training categories include design, operations, and maintenance; energy efficient products; energy management; financing; fleet; renewable energy; and water efficiency. Search the FEMP website for all topics, specific topics, or type of training (live or on-demand) to find training opportunities. All courses are free unless otherwise noted.

<u>FEMP 2013 FIRST THURSDAY SERIES SEMINARS</u> are FEMP training opportunities targeting federal energy, environmental, and fleet professionals offered at no cost by leading experts. Seminars will be held through Aug 14 on the first Thursday of each month. Archived seminars from 2010-2013 are also available at this site.

<u>NATIONAL CONFERENCE OF STATE LEGISLATURES (NCSL) E-LEARNING</u> features experts on public policy issues and provides professional development opportunities for its members, state legislators, state legislative staff, and the public. Visit the <u>Multimedia Library</u> for a collection of video and audio files from previous NCSL meetings and webinars.

Internet Resources

Region 6 Regulatory & Legislative Internet Sites

USEPA Region 6 Arkansas Dept of Environmental Quality (ADEQ)

Arkansas General Assembly

Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality (LDEQ)

Louisiana Legislature

New Mexico Environment Department (NMED)

New Mexico Legislature

Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality (ODEQ)

Oklahoma Legislature

Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ)

Texas Legislature

http://epa.gov/region6/index.htm

http://www.adeg.state.ar.us

http://www.arkleg.state.ar.us/

http://www.deg.state.la.us/

http://www.legis.state.la.us/

http://www.nmenv.state.nm.us/

http://www.nmlegis.gov/lcs/

http://www.deq.state.ok.us

http://www.lsb.state.ok.us/

http://www.tceg.state.tx.us/

http://www.capitol.state.tx.us/

Region 7 Regulatory & Legislative Internet Sites

USEPA Region 7

Iowa Department of Natural Resources (IDNR)

Iowa General Assembly

Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE)

Kansas Legislature

Missouri Department of Natural Resources (MDNR)

Missouri General Assembly

Nebraska Department of Environmental Quality (NDEQ)

Nebraska Legislature

http://www.epa.gov/region7/index.htm

http://www.iowadnr.com/

http://www.legis.iowa.gov/index.aspx

http://www.kdheks.gov/

http://kslegislature.org/li/

http://www.dnr.mo.gov/index.html

http://www.blm.gov/nm/st/en.html

http://www.blm.gov/wy/st/en.html

http://www.moga.mo.gov/

http://deq.ne.gov

http://nebraska.gov/

Other Federal Agencies Internet Sites

Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management State Offices

http://www.blm.gov/es/st/en.html

Eastern States AR, LA, MO, IA NM, KS, OK, TX

WY, NE

U.S. Geological Survey Central Region

All Region 6 and 7 states

DOE Office of Environmental Management

All states

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

Southwest Region NM, TX, OK

Mountain - Prairie Region KS, NE

Midwest Region IA, MO Southeast Region AR, LA http://www.cr.usqs.gov/

http://www.em.doe.gov/pages/emhome.aspx

http://www.fws.gov/southwest/

http://www.fws.gov/mountain-prairie/

http://www.fws.gov/midwest/

http://www.fws.gov/southeast/

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Air Force AR/LA/OK REC 214-767-4650, ext 4652 Air Force NM/TX REC 214-767-4650, ext 4677

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How the Regional Offices Work for You

When used within the framework of ISO 14001, the Central Region Review can be part of an installation's procedures to satisfy Section 4.3.2 (Legal and other requirements) of ISO 14001. Information in the Review is intended for general guidance, and the reader should refer to the cited source documents for more detailed information to determine the applicability and scope of the referenced legislation and regulations.

The U.S. Army Regional Environmental and Energy Office, Central (REEO-C) monitors the following actions on your behalf. If a proposed state action has: (1) critical mission impact; (2) conflicts with a federal requirement; and/or (3) a disproportionate effect on the Army or DOD, we coordinate with the potentially affected installations, commands, and/or other military Services to further assess the potential impact. If action is needed on a proposed measure, we work with Army or Service regulatory experts to communicate DA/DOD position, coordinating with the affected installations and commands. Comments are combined from all parties in a single DOD/Army package and formally submitted to the state.

For further information please visit the <u>Army's Regional Environmental and Energy Offices</u>' website.

Want to comment on a rule or bill in the Review?

Please contact your Regional Environmental Coordinator listed above.

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