

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: The Fort Carson Public Affairs Office at (719) 526-7525, Monday through Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. MST; or by email to: usarmy.carson.hqda-ocpa.list.pao-officer@mail.mil.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The draft EIS has been prepared to meet the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) to evaluate the environmental and socioeconomic impacts of implementing proposed actions at PCMS.

Soldiers stationed at Fort Carson need to train together, in an integrated manner, during large-scale collective training events. Integrated brigade combat team (BCT) level training is necessary at PCMS; without such training, Fort Carson Soldiers would be forced to train in their tasks in isolation, and not in the integrated manner in which they would fight. The draft EIS affords Fort Carson the opportunity to review its environmental program and the current state of the environment on PCMS, and decide on how best to structure training events for the recently reconfigured Armor and Infantry BCTs and the Stryker BCT.

Alternative 1A would establish a benchmark for brigade-level training intensity. The historic limitation of 4.7 months of brigade-level mechanized maneuver would remain in effect to allow for land rest and recovery. This alternative would enable the ¼ Stryker BCT to conduct training at PCMS using the Stryker family of vehicles.

Alternative 1B includes Alternative 1A and new training activities and training infrastructure changes at PCMS. Training activities include non-explosive aviation gunnery, flare, electronic jamming systems, laser target sighting, tactical demolition, unmanned and unarmed aerial reconnaissance systems, and light unmanned ground vehicle training. In terms of training infrastructure, PCMS would establish two new drop-zones and, for use during periods when training activity poses a hazard to aircraft, restricted airspace directly over PCMS. The restricted airspace would be established up to 10,000 feet above mean sea level, and activated as required by training scenarios. The decision-maker may select all of these elements or only some.

Environmental impacts associated with the implementation of the proposed action could include significant impacts to soils as a result of maneuvering with tracked and wheeled vehicles on fragile soils; vegetation and wildlife as a result of large maneuver

corridors, which could potentially result in a conversion or net loss of habitat, depending upon frequency of use and recovery time; and water resources as a result of increased sedimentation in nearby impaired waters. Impacts in the areas of airspace, cultural resources, facilities and utilities, hazardous materials, hazardous waste, and toxic substances, socioeconomics, and traffic and transportation were all determined to be less than significant. The draft EIS identifies potential mitigation measures to reduce adverse impacts.

Soldier training would be entirely within the existing boundaries of PCMS, except for limited air and convoy operations. The proposed action does not include, nor would it require, any expansion of PCMS. No additional land will be sought or acquired as a result of this action.

Under the No Action Alternative, the Army would continue current mission activities and training operations, which includes authorized brigade-level training, as well as range use and training land management.

Cooperating Agencies: The Federal Aviation Administration is a cooperating agency on the Draft EIS as the proposed action includes airspace reclassification.

Public Meeting and Public Comments: A public meeting on the Draft EIS will be held at PCMS. Information on the date and time for the public meeting will be published locally.

Federally recognized Tribes, federal, state, and local agencies, organizations, and the public are invited to be involved in the process for the preparation of this EIS by participating in public meetings and/or submitting written comments on the Draft EIS to (see **ADDRESSES**) no later than 45 days from the publication of the Notice of Availability in the **Federal Register**.

The Draft EIS is available at <http://www.carson.army.mil/DPW/nepa.html>.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army

Army Education Advisory Subcommittee Meeting Notice

AGENCY: Department of the Army, DoD.

ACTION: Notice of open Subcommittee meeting.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Army is publishing this notice to announce

the following Federal advisory committee meeting of the Department of the Army Historical Advisory Subcommittee (DAHASC), a subcommittee of the Army Education Advisory Committee. This meeting is open to the public.

DATES: The Department of the Army Historical Advisory Subcommittee will meet from 8:40 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on November 20, 2014.

ADDRESSES: Department of the Army Historical Advisory Subcommittee, U.S. Army Center of Military History, 102 4th Ave., Bldg. 35, Washington, DC 20319-5060.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Stephen W. Lehman, the Alternate Designated Federal Officer for the subcommittee, in writing at ATTN: AAMH-ZC, U.S. Army Center of Military History, 102 4th Ave., Bldg. 35, Fort McNair, Washington, DC 20319-5060 by email at stephen.w.lehman2.civ@mail.mil or by telephone at (202) 685-2314.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The subcommittee meeting is being held under the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972 (5 U.S.C., Appendix, as amended), the Government in the Sunshine Act of 1976 (5 U.S.C. 552b, as amended), and 41 CFR 102-3.150.

Purpose of the Meeting: The purpose of the meeting is to review and approve the 2014 Army Historical Program Report.

Proposed Agenda: The committee is chartered to provide independent advice and recommendations to the Secretary of the Army on the educational, doctrinal, and research policies and activities of U.S. Army educational programs. At this meeting the subcommittee will review the 2014 Army Historical Program Report and the conformity of the Army's historical work and methods with professional standards. The subcommittee will also discuss ways to increase cooperation between the historical and military professions in advancing the purpose of the Army Historical Program, and the furtherance of the mission of the U.S. Army Center of Military History to promote the study and use of military history in both civilian and military Schools.

Public Accessibility to the Meeting: Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552b, as amended, and 41 CFR 102-3.140 through 102-3.165, and subject to the availability of space, this meeting is open to the public. Seating is on a first to arrive basis. Attendees are requested to submit their name, affiliation, and daytime phone number seven business days

their name, affiliation, and daytime phone number seven business days prior to the meeting to Mr. Lehman, via electronic mail, the preferred mode of submission, at the address listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section. Members of the public attending the committee meetings will not be permitted to present questions from the floor or speak to any issue under consideration by the committee. Because the meeting of the committee will be held in a Federal Government facility on a military post, security screening is required. A photo ID is required to enter post. Please note that security and gate guards have the right to inspect vehicles and persons seeking to enter and exit the installation. The U.S. Army Center of Military History is fully handicapped accessible. Wheelchair access is available in front at the main entrance of the building. For additional information about public access procedures, contact Mr. Lehman, the committee's Alternate Designated Federal Officer, at the email address or telephone number listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section.

Written Comments or Statements: Pursuant to 41 CFR 102–3.105(j) and 102–3.140 and section 10(a)(3) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, the public or interested organizations may submit written comments or statements to the committee, in response to the stated agenda of the open meeting or in regard to the committee's mission in general. Written comments or statements should be submitted to Mr. Stephen W. Lehman, the committee Alternate Designated Federal Officer, via electronic mail, the preferred mode of submission, at the address listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section. Each page of the comment or statement must include the author's name, title or affiliation, address, and daytime phone number. Written comments or statements being submitted in response to the agenda set forth in this notice must be received by the Alternate Designated Federal Official at least seven business days prior to the meeting to be considered by the committee. The Alternate Designated Federal Official will review all timely submitted written comments or statements with the committee Chairperson, and ensure the comments are provided to all members of the committee before the meeting. Written comments or statements received after this date may not be provided to the committee until its next meeting. Members of the public will be permitted to make verbal comments during the Committee meeting only at the time and

in the manner described below. If a member of the public is interested in making a verbal comment at the open meeting, that individual must submit a request, with a brief statement of the subject matter to be addressed by the comment, at least seven (7) days in advance to the Committee's Alternate Designated Federal Official, via electronic mail, the preferred mode of submission, at the address listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section. The Alternate Designated Federal Official will log each request, in the order received, and in consultation with the committee Chairperson determine whether the subject matter of each comment is relevant to the Committee's mission and/or the topics to be addressed in this public meeting. A 15-minute period near the end of the meeting will be available for verbal public comments. Members of the public who have requested to make a verbal comment and whose comments have been deemed relevant under the process described above, will be allotted no more than three (3) minutes during the period, and will be invited to speak in the order in which their requests were received by the Alternate Designated Federal Official.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army; Corps of Engineers

Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environment Impact Statement for the Proposed Mississippi River Reintroduction Into the Maurepas Swamp Diversion Project, Near Garyville, Louisiana, in St. John the Baptist, St. James, and Ascension Parishes

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

ACTION: Notice of intent.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), New Orleans District intends to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to inform a decision on a Department of the Army (DA) permit application pursuant to Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (CWA) and Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act, and permissions request under 33 U.S.C. 408, submitted by the Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority of Louisiana (CPRA) for the Mississippi River

Reintroduction into the Maurepas Swamp (MRRMS) freshwater diversion project (proposed project). The USACE has determined the proposed project will result in significant impacts to the human environment, therefore an EIS is necessary to ensure compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and as a basis for both the permit decision and the Section 408 permissions.

The DA permit and the 408 permissions are two separate processes with different authorities analyzed by different mission areas (including Regulatory and Civil Works) inside the USACE. Under Section 404 of the CWA and Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act, the District Engineer permits the discharge of dredged or fill material into the waters of the United States as well as work, to include the installation and maintenance of structures, in navigable waters of the U.S., if the discharge meets the requirements of the Environmental Protection Agency's 404(b)(1) guidelines, and the proposal is determined to not be contrary to the overall public interest. Under 33 U.S.C. 408, the Chief of Engineers grants permission to alter, modify, or impair an existing USACE project if it is not injurious to the public interest and does not impair the usefulness of such work. The proposed project involves structural crossings of the Federal Mississippi River and Tributaries (MR&T) Levee and could potentially impact the Mississippi River Navigation Channel, the future footprint of the Federal West Shore Lake Pontchartrain Hurricane and Storm Damage Risk Reduction System levee project as well as other Federal projects. USACE Regulatory and Civil Works will coordinate on all aspects of the production of the EIS.

ADDRESSES: Please send written comments to Kenny Blanke, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New Orleans District, Regulatory Branch (CEMVN–OD–SC), P.O. Box 60267, New Orleans, LA 70160 or by email at CEMVN-Maurepas@usace.army.mil.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Questions about the DA permit, project and EIS should be directed to: Mr. Kenny Blanke at (504) 862–1217, or the email above. Questions on the 408 permissions should be directed to: Mr. Nathan Dayan at (504) 862–2530 or at the email above.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

1. *Authority:* Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899 (33 U.S.C. 403); Section 14 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899 (33 U.S.C. 408); Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1344);