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Director, Office of Federal Advisory Committee Policy.

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

[Docket No. DHS-2010-0094]

### National Protection and Programs Directorate; National Infrastructure Advisory Council Meeting

**AGENCY:** National Protection and Programs Directorate, DHS.

**ACTION:** Committee Management; Notice of Federal Advisory Council Meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The National Infrastructure Advisory Council (NIAC) will meet on Tuesday, January 18, 2011, at the JW Marriott Washington DC, Salon I, 1331 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20004.

**DATES:** The NIAC will meet Tuesday, January 18, 2011, from 1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. The meeting may close early if the committee has completed its business. For additional information, please consult the NIAC Web site, <http://www.dhs.gov/niac>, or contact the NIAC Secretariat by phone at 703-235-2888 or by e-mail at [NIAC@dhs.gov](mailto:NIAC@dhs.gov).

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the JW Marriott Washington DC, Salon I, 1331 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20004.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Notice of this meeting is given under the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. (Pub. L. 92-463). The NIAC shall provide the President through the Secretary of Homeland Security with advice on the security of the critical infrastructure sectors and their information systems.

The NIAC will meet to address issues relevant to the protection of critical infrastructure as directed by the President. At this meeting the committee will receive work from a NIAC working group to review, deliberate on, and provide further direction to the working group.

#### Meeting Agenda:

- I. Opening of Meeting
- II. Roll Call of Members
- III. Opening Remarks and Introductions
- IV. Approval of October 19, 2010, Minutes
- V. Deliberation: Information Sharing Study
- VI. Public Comment
- VII. Closing Remarks
- VIII. Adjournment

#### Procedural:

While this meeting is open to the public, participation in the NIAC deliberations is limited to committee members and appropriate Federal Government officials. Discussions may include committee members, appropriate Federal Government officials, and other invited persons attending the meeting to provide information that may be of interest to the Council.

Immediately following the committee member deliberation and discussion period, there will be a limited time period for public comment on listed agenda items only. Relevant public comments may be submitted in writing or presented in person for the Council to consider. Off-topic questions or comments will not be permitted or discussed. In-person presentations will be limited to three minutes per speaker, with no more than 30 minutes for all speakers. Parties interested in making in-person comments must register no less than 15 minutes prior to the beginning of the meeting at the meeting location. Oral comments will be permitted based upon the order of registration; all registrants may not be able to speak if time does not permit. Written comments may be sent to Nancy Wong, Department of Homeland Security, National Protection and Programs Directorate, 245 Murray Lane, Mail Stop 0607, Washington, DC 20528-0607. Written comments must be received by Nancy Wong no later than January 11, 2011, identified by Federal Register Docket Number DHS-2010-0094, and may be submitted by any one of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting written comments.

- *E-mail:* [NIAC@dhs.gov](mailto:NIAC@dhs.gov). Include the docket number in the subject line of the message.

- *Fax:* 703-603-5098.
- *Mail:* Nancy Wong, National Protection and Programs Directorate, Department of Homeland Security, 245 Murray Lane, Mail Stop 0607, Washington, DC 20528-0607.

**Instructions:** All written submissions received must include the words "Department of Homeland Security" and the docket number for this action. Written comments received will be posted without alteration at <http://www.regulations.gov>, including any personal information provided.

**Docket:** For access to the docket to read background documents or comments received by the NIAC, go to <http://www.regulations.gov>.

#### Information on Services for Individuals with Disabilities:

For information on facilities or services for individuals with disabilities or to request special assistance at the meeting, contact the NIAC Secretariat at 703-235-2888 as soon as possible.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Nancy Wong, National Infrastructure Advisory Council Designated Federal Officer, Department of Homeland Security, telephone 703-235-2888.

Signed: December 17, 2010.

**Nancy J. Wong,**

*Designated Federal Officer for the NIAC.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

### Coast Guard

[Docket No. USCG-2009-0166]

### Nationwide Use of High Frequency and Ultra High Frequency Active SONAR Technology; Draft Programmatic Environmental Assessment and Draft Finding of No Significant Impact

**AGENCY:** Coast Guard, DHS.

**ACTION:** Notice of availability and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Coast Guard (USCG) announces the availability of the Draft Programmatic Environmental Assessment (PEA) for the Nationwide Use of High Frequency (HF) and Ultra High Frequency (UHF) Sound Navigation and Ranging (SONAR) Technology and Draft Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI). The USCG is proposing the nationwide use of active SONAR technologies that operate at frequencies of 50 kiloHertz (kHz) and greater from mobile platforms. Active SONAR technology would be used in support of USCG missions to locate, image, and classify submerged/underwater targets of interest (TOI). The PEA is a program-level document that will provide the USCG with management-level analysis of the potential impacts of each alternative on the human and natural environments.

**DATES:** Comments and related material must either be submitted to our online docket via <http://www.regulations.gov> on or before January 31, 2011, or reach the Docket Management Facility by that date.

**ADDRESSES:** The Draft PEA and Draft FONSI have been published and can be downloaded at <http://www.regulations.gov>, docket number USCG-2009-0166. You may submit

comments identified by docket number USCG-2009-0166 using any one of the following methods:

(1) *Federal eRulemaking Portal:*

<http://www.regulations.gov>.

(2) *Fax:* 202-493-2251.

(3) *Mail:* Docket Management Facility (M-30), U.S. Department of Transportation, West Building Ground Floor, Room W12-140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Washington, DC 20590-0001.

(4) *Hand delivery:* Same as mail address above, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. The telephone number is 202-366-9329.

To avoid duplication, please use only one of these four methods. See the "Public Participation and Request for Comments" portion of the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section below for instructions on submitting comments.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Kenneth McDaniel (CG-532), Deputy Division Chief, Maritime Security (Counterterrorism), Coast Guard, by telephone 202-372-2119 or e-mail [Kenneth.L.McDaniel@uscg.mil](mailto:Kenneth.L.McDaniel@uscg.mil) for questions regarding the Proposed Action; or Ms. Kebby Kelley (CG-47), Program Manager, USCG National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)/Historic Resources, by telephone 202-475-5690 or e-mail [Kebby.Kelley@uscg.mil](mailto:Kebby.Kelley@uscg.mil) regarding NEPA or to request a paper copy. If you have questions on viewing or submitting material to the docket, call Renee V. Wright, Program Manager, Docket Operations, telephone 202-366-9826.

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

#### **Public Participation and Request for Comments**

We encourage you to submit comments and related materials on the draft PEA and draft FONSI. All comments received will be posted, without change, to <http://www.regulations.gov> and will include any personal information you have provided.

**Submitting comments:** If you submit a comment, please include the docket number for this notice (USCG-2009-0166) and provide a reason for each suggestion or recommendation. You may submit your comments and material online, or by fax, mail or hand delivery, but please use only one of these means. We recommend that you include your name and a mailing address, an e-mail address, or a telephone number in the body of your document so that we can contact you if we have questions regarding your submission.

To submit your comment online, go to <http://www.regulations.gov>, click on the "submit a comment" box, which will then become highlighted in blue. In the "Document Type" drop down menu select "Notices" and insert "USCG-2010-1104" in the "Keyword" box. Click "Search" then click on the balloon shape in the "Actions" column. If you submit your comments by mail or hand delivery, submit them in an unbound format, no larger than 8½; by 11 inches, suitable for copying and electronic filing. If you submit them by mail and would like to know that they reached the Facility, please enclose a stamped, self-addressed postcard or envelope. We will consider all comments and material received during the comment period.

**Viewing the comments:** To view the comments, go to <http://www.regulations.gov>, click on the "read comments" box, which will then become highlighted in blue. In the "Keyword" box insert "USCG-2009-0166" and click "Search." Click the "Open Docket Folder" in the "Actions" column. If you do not have access to the Internet, you may view the docket online by visiting the Docket Management Facility in Room W12-140 on the ground floor of the Department of Transportation West Building, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Washington, DC 20590, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. We have an agreement with the Department of Transportation to use the Docket Management Facility.

**Privacy Act:** Anyone can search the electronic form of comments received into any of our dockets by the name of the individual submitting the comment (or signing the comment, if submitted on behalf of an association, business, labor union, etc.). You may review a Privacy Act, system of records notice regarding our public dockets in the January 17, 2008, issue of the **Federal Register** (73 FR 3316).

#### **Background and Purpose**

##### *Purpose of Proposed Action*

The purpose of the Proposed Action is to broaden the USCG's capability to locate and classify underwater threats and other TOIs, and to more safely and effectively accomplish the USCG's missions. TOIs could include combat swimmers/divers; explosives or other offensive devices that could be delivered to underwater hulls, piers, or other shore structures; and objects that have become submerged as a result of a natural or man-made disaster and have the potential to interrupt maritime transportation, trade, commerce, recreational boating, or other maritime

activities. The use of HF (50 to 999 kHz) and UHF (1,000 kHz and higher) active SONAR technology would provide USCG operational commanders with the ability to locate, image, and classify underwater threats and other TOIs. HF and UHF SONAR technology could be used in response to events such as: The attacks of September 11, 2001; natural disasters such as Hurricanes Katrina and Rita of 2005; established security areas around high-value vessels, infrastructure, and special security events; and maritime environmental response and search-and-rescue activities.

The USCG needs to broaden its capability to locate, image, and classify submerged/underwater TOIs to safely and efficiently accomplish mission activities. The USCG needs to detect targets in ranges of less than 2 kilometers and needs to operate in harbor, anchorage, channel, and wharf environments, including fresh, brackish, and salt waters, day or night regardless of visibility and in air and water temperatures and thermoclines normal for port/harbor and offshore environments throughout the United States. The USCG's current research of commercially available and reliable technology indicates that the nationwide employment of various HF and UHF active SONAR technology systems would provide the needed capability.

#### **Proposed Use**

HF and UHF SONAR use would fall into one of three general categories: (1) Operational missions, (2) training and exercises, and (3) research and development. All SONAR use would be of relatively short-term duration (typically less than a week, unless otherwise required for an emergency or disaster). Regardless of the category, such use would only be for the amount of time necessary to complete the mission objectives. In no case is the USCG proposing long-term deployments of SONAR equipment in fixed positions (unless required by an emergency or disaster). In general, the duration of SONAR use would be from minutes to as long as several days. Typically, the duration of most deployments would be less than a week; however, for environmental disasters such as the Deepwater Horizon oil spill, SONAR equipment could be used on-site until the emergency has ended. An example of a high-priority nonemergency operational mission is the anti-swimmer SONAR system that would provide security zone protection during a two-day special event. Once the event has

concluded, the system would be shut down and removed.

The USCG proposes to use HF and UHF SONAR technology from mobile platforms nationwide. Mobile platforms include ships, boats, remotely operated vehicles (ROVs), and autonomous underwater vehicles (AUVs). Additionally, SONAR could be towed by a boat (*i.e.*, a torpedo-shaped “towfish”), lowered from a boat on a pole, or temporarily fixed to a pier or a pile. Impacts on the seafloor from ROV and AUV operations would not be significant. ROVs would be used pierside or at a location appropriate for conducting vessel inspections. An appropriate location for inspection would be at a water depth that would preclude seafloor disturbance. As such, ROVs and AUVs would usually be suspended in the water column and would rarely contact the seafloor. Typically, ROVs and AUVs would be used in open, navigable waterways or safe anchorages. However, an ROV or AUV might contact the seafloor if there is a suspected threat on the seafloor that needs to be investigated; such contact would be short-term and transient in nature.

Although selected HF and UHF SONAR systems could be employed by any USCG unit to accomplish a mission, the USCG does not intend to permanently equip or outfit every USCG unit with SONAR capability. The HF and UHF SONAR systems selected could be powered using existing USCG power supplies such as public electrical distribution grids, shipboard electrical power, or portable generators (*e.g.*, Honda 1,000-watt generator).

#### Scope of the Programmatic Environmental Assessment

The scope of the PEA focuses on potential impacts associated with the anticipated use of the HF and UHF SONAR systems to accomplish USCG mission activities. The PEA addresses potential impacts on living marine resources based on these operating criteria. Supplemental, follow-on NEPA documentation or additional consultations with appropriate resource authorities would be required if site-specific, non-mobile operating scenarios or newly developed technologies fall outside of the scope of this assessment. The scope of the PEA encompasses geographic locations where the systems are expected to operate.

The SONAR technology systems would be available for use by the USCG within all areas under USCG jurisdiction along the U.S. continental coastline, the Great Lakes, Hawaii, Alaska, United States territories, and

inland operating areas. The inland operating areas would include existing harbor infrastructure and adjacent inland waters, including the St. Lawrence Seaway, the Great Lakes, and western and inland river systems. The offshore operating areas would include areas up to 12 nautical miles offshore and most areas shoreward. Normal locations for deployments would include the ports and waterways of the nation's top tiered militarily and economically significant ports. Emergency use of HF and UHF SONAR technology during times of extreme weather, such as hurricanes, could be required for onshore areas that become inundated by floodwater.

Public input is important to the preparation of the Final PEA. Your concerns and comments regarding the nationwide use of HF and UHF active SONAR technology and the possible environmental impacts are important to the USCG, and we encourage you to share them with us.

**Authority:** This notice is issued under authority of 42 U.S.C. 4321, *et seq.*, and 40 CFR 1508.22.

Dated: December 14, 2010.

**Michael Mohn,**

*Captain, U.S. Coast Guard, Chief, Office of Terrorism and Defense Operations.*

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#### DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-5376-N-124]

#### Emergency Comment Request; Indian Housing Block Grants (IHBG) Program Reporting; Notice of Submission of Proposed Information Collection to OMB; Notice of Proposed Information Collection for Public Comment

**AGENCY:** Office of the Chief Information Officer.

**ACTION:** Notice of proposed information collection.

**SUMMARY:** The proposed information collection requirement described below has been submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for emergency review and approval, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act. The Department is soliciting public comments on the subject proposal. This is a correction from 14 days to 30 days.

**DATES:** *Comments Due Date:* January 26, 2011.

**ADDRESSES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments regarding this proposal. Comments must be

received within thirty (30) days from the date of this Notice. Comments should refer to the proposal by name or OMB approval number (2577-0218) and should be sent to: Ross A. Rutledge, HUD Desk Officer, Office of Management and Budget, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503; *e-mail:* [Ross.A.Rutledge@omb.eop.gov](mailto:Ross.A.Rutledge@omb.eop.gov); *Fax:* 202-395-3086.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Colette Pollard, Departmental Reports Management Officer, QDAM, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street, SW., Washington, DC 20410; *e-mail:* [Colette.Pollard@HUD.gov](mailto:Colette.Pollard@HUD.gov); telephone (202) 402-3400. This is not a toll-free number. Copies of available documents submitted to OMB may be obtained from Ms. Pollard.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This request for emergency processing is essential in order to implement the statutory changes to NAHASDA for fiscal year 2012. A standard PRA review would delay implementation of the revised IHP/APR until fiscal year 2013. The agency cannot reasonably comply with the normal clearance procedures under this part because the statutory changes accelerate the submission of the IHP. With implementation of the statutory changes, the IHP is due 75 days prior to the beginning of the grantee's fiscal year. For grantees with a fiscal year beginning October 1, 2011, the revised IHP will be due July 16, 2011, rather than July 1, 2012. The emergency clearance processing of the revised PRA is needed in order to provide IHBG recipients with sufficient time to complete the IHP prior to submission and provide training to all IHBG recipients on the revised form. Therefore, the use of the normal clearance procedures is reasonably likely to prevent or disrupt the collection of information and is reasonably likely to cause a statutory deadline to be missed.

*This Notice also lists the following information:*

*Title of Proposal:* Indian Housing Block Grants (IHBG) Program Reporting.

*Description of Information Collection:* Recipients of Indian Housing Block Grant (IHBG) funds provide plans for low-income housing programs in their communities and submit quarterly reports on funds drawn. Recipients may submit information to correct and/or challenge data used in annual housing assistance formula allocations. Additional requirements have been added: Recipients may purchase insurance from a nonprofit insurance