IV. Request for Comments

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will become a matter of public record.

The USPTO is soliciting public comments to: (a) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) Evaluate the accuracy of the agency’s estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.


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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE
Office of the Secretary

Global Positioning System Pre-Operational Civil Navigation Message

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary of Defense, Office of Public Affairs, DoD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The purpose of this notice is to inform users of an upcoming event related to the Global Positioning System (GPS) satellite constellation. U.S. Air Force Space Command will begin providing pre-operational, Civil Navigation Message (CNAV) populated L2C and L5 signals beginning April 28, 2014 in a 2-phase plan, as previously highlighted in a Department of Transportation notice that published in the Federal Register on March 5, 2014 (79 FR 12563–12564). Based on the response to the March 5, 2014 notice, and extensive discussion and cooperation between the Office of the Secretary of Defense (OSD) and the Department of Transportation, OSD has approved a modification to U.S. Air Force Space Command’s planned implementation of CNAV. The public should consider these broadcasts to be “use at one’s own risk,” since a fully operational command and control and signal monitoring infrastructure is not yet in place.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The CNAV message broadcasts planned to begin in April 2014 will be implemented on all operational GPS satellites capable of transmitting the L2C and L5 signals. Currently, seven GPS IIR–M satellites broadcast L2C and four GPS IIF satellites broadcast L2C and L5. On average, users may expect at least one L2C-broadcasting satellite to be in view at all times. The CNAV message content will initially include Broadcast Message Types (MT) 10, 11, 30, and 33 (as defined in Interface Specification (IS)–GPS–200G and IS–GPS–705C, see http://www.gps.gov/technical/icwg/) in lieu of the currently transmitted MT–0. The Air Force intends to broadcast L2C messages with the health bit set “healthy,” as was the case during a June 2013 test. L5 messages will be set “unhealthy,” but as greater experience with the L5 broadcast and implementation of signal monitoring is achieved, this status will be reviewed and revisited. Should it be determined to set the L5 health bit to “healthy,” advance notification will be made to the public. The CNAV data uploads will be integrated into current operations, but initially uploads to each appropriate satellite will occur only twice per week. In December 2014, CNAV uploads are planned to be at the normal rate of once per day for each appropriate satellite. Consequently, users should expect L2C and L5 signals with CNAV messages to provide increased user range error compared to legacy civil signals between April and December 2014. After December 2014, the user range error of the L2C and L5 signals with CNAV messages is expected to meet or exceed that of legacy signals. However, availability will remain low and CNAV-derived user position accuracy may be poor until more L2C and L5 capable satellites are operational. Future tests and implementation of the remaining CNAV message types will be announced under separate Federal Register notices.

The pre-operational CNAV messages are being made available for user familiarization and for equipment development. The messages will be formatted in accordance with IS–GPS–200G and IS–GPS–705C; however, a pre-operational signal means the availability and other characteristics of the broadcast signal may not comply with all requirements of the relevant Interface Specifications. The signals should be employed at the users’ own risk and should not be used for safety-of-life or other critical purposes.


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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE
Office of the Secretary

Response Systems to Adult Sexual Assault Crimes Panel; Notice of Federal Advisory Committee Meeting; Amendment

AGENCY: Department of Defense.

ACTION: Notice of meeting; amendment.

http://www.gps.gov/
SUMMARY: On May 5, 2014, the Department of Defense published a notice titled Response Systems to Adult Sexual Assault Crimes Panel; Notice of Federal Advisory Committee Meeting (79 FR 25585–25586). Subsequent to the publication of that notice, the start time of the meeting changed. This notice amends the start time.

DATES: A meeting of the Response Systems to Adult Sexual Assault Crimes Panel (“the Panel”) will be held Friday, May 16, 2014 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.


FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Terri Saunders, Response Systems Panel, One Liberty Center, 875 N. Randolph Street, Suite 150, Arlington, VA 22203. Email: Terri.a.saunders.civ@mail.mil. Phone: (703) 693–3829. Web site: http://responsesystemspanel.whs.mil.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This public 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: At this meeting, the Panel will deliberate on the Designated Federal Officer will, after reviewing the requests for oral presentation, the Chairperson and other members of the public on a first-come, first-serve basis. After reviewing the requests for oral presentation, the Chairperson and the Designated Federal Officer will, having determined the statement to be relevant to the Panel’s mission, allot five minutes to persons desiring to make an oral presentation.

Committee’s Designated Federal Officer: The Board’s Designated Federal Officer is Ms. Maria Fried, Response Systems to Adult Sexual Assault Crimes Panel, 1600 Defense Pentagon, Room 3B747, Washington, DC 20301–1600.

Due to difficulties beyond the control of the Response Systems Panel or its DFO, the notice that adjusts the starting time for the May 16, 2014 meeting was not submitted within the time frame required by 41 CFR 102–3.150(a).

Accordingly, the Advisory Committee Management Officer for the Department of Defense, pursuant to 41 CFR 102–3.150(b), waives the 15-calendar day notification requirement.


Aaron Siegel,
Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

STRATEGIC ENVIRONMENTAL RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM, SCIENTIFIC ADVISORY BOARD; NOTICE OF FEDERAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

AGENCY: Department of Defense.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Defense is publishing this notice to announce an open meeting of the Strategic Environmental Research and Development Program, Scientific Advisory Board (SAB). This meeting will be open to the public.

DATES: Wednesday, June 11, 2014, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:50 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Peery Hotel, 110 West Broadway, Salt Lake City, UT 84101.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Jonathan Bunker, SERDP Office, 4800 Mark Center Drive, Suite 17D08, Alexandria, VA 22350–3605; jonathan.b.bunker.ctr@mail.mil or by telephone at (571) 372–6384.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This 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. This notice is published in accordance with Section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92–463).

Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552b and 41 CFR 102–3.140 through 102–3.165, and the availability of space, this meeting is open to the public. Seating is on a first-come, first-serve basis.

The purpose of the June 11, 2014 meeting is to review new start and continuing research and development projects requesting Strategic Environmental Research and Development Program funds in excess of $1 million over the proposed length of the project as required by the SERDP.