DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army

Record of Decision for the Final Environmental Impact Statement for Short-Term Projects and Real Property Master Plan Update for Fort Belvoir, Virginia

AGENCY: Department of the Army, DoD.

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Army announces the decision to implement the Preferred Alternative identified in the Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) for Short-Term Projects and Real Property Master Plan (RPMP) Update for U.S. Army Garrison Fort Belvoir, VA. The RPMP identifies potential future development and management of real property—land, facilities, resources, and infrastructure—and consequent population changes on Fort Belvoir through 2030. The Record of Decision (ROD) explains the potential environmental impacts associated with the selected action, which includes 52 short-term demolition, construction, and renovation projects; four short-term transportation improvement projects; and 19 long-term facility and transportation improvement projects. The short-term projects are programmed for construction through 2017; the long-term projects are intended for implementation between 2018 and 2030. The ROD also adopts mitigation measures that will minimize or eliminate adverse impacts in land, infrastructure, transportation, and environment.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: The ROD can be obtained by contacting: Fort Belvoir Directorate of Public Works, Environmental and Natural Resources Division, Re: Real Property Master Plan EIS, 9430 Jackson Loop, Suite 200, Fort Belvoir, VA 22060–5116; or by email to usarmy.belvoir.imcompacific.mbx.enrd@mail.mil. The ROD can also be viewed at the following Web site: https://www.belvoir.army.mil/environment/docs/section8.asp.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Fort Belvoir Directorate of Public Works, Environmental and Natural Resources Division, 703–806–3193 or 703–806–0020, during normal working business hours Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.; or by email to usarmy.belvoir.imcompacific.mbx.enrd@mail.mil.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The RPMP and the FEIS focused on Fort Belvoir’s 7,700-acre Main Post and the 800-acre Fort Belvoir North Area (FBNA, formerly the Engineer Proving Ground). The RPMP update, FEIS, and ROD do not cover Fort Belvoir property at Rivanna Station in Charlottesville, VA; the Mark Center in Alexandria, VA; or the Humphreys Engineer Center, adjacent to Main Post.

The selected action addresses the Army’s current and future planning needs at Fort Belvoir. Fort Belvoir’s previous master plan was completed in 1993 and was amended in 2002 and 2007. In light of the substantial changes that have occurred on post since 1993, the amended 1993 master plan no longer served to adequately guide the management and use of real property assets—land, facilities, resources, and infrastructure—on the installation. The selected action provides Fort Belvoir with a blueprint for real property planning through 2030 now that the 2005 Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) recommendations for the post have been implemented. It shifts the planning focus to encompass non-BRAC-related as well as BRAC-related facilities, tenants, and missions and reflects current and projected missions, needs, and conditions. Future growth projections for Main Post and the FBNA indicate an increase of up to 17,000 personnel by 2030 (from 39,000 in 2011) because Fort Belvoir may need to provide additional services to support military and other government organizations.

The ROD incorporates the analyses contained in the FEIS. When preparing the ROD, the Army took into consideration all comments provided during the FEIS waiting period, which began when the Notice of Availability for the FEIS was published in the Federal Register on September 22, 2015 (80 FR 57156). The Army considered all comments received in making its decision. The ROD states that it did not constitute significant new information relevant to environmental concerns that would require supplementation of the FEIS. Comments received resulted in minor edits to the ROD.

Implementation of the selected action is expected to result in direct, indirect, and cumulative impacts. The only resource area that would experience significant adverse impacts is traffic and transportation around the surrounding area of Fort Belvoir. The Army will mitigate these and other adverse effects through various strategies, as described in the ROD. All mitigations are subject to the availability of funding.

Brenda S. Bowen,
Army Federal Register Liaison Officer.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army

Intent To Grant an Exclusive License of U.S. Government-Owned Patents

AGENCY: Department of the Army, DoD.

ACTION: Notice.


ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: Commander, U.S. Army Medical Research and Materiel Command, ATTN: Command Judge Advocate, MCMR–JA, 504Scott Street, Fort Detrick, MD 21702–5012.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For licensing issues, Mr. Barry Datlof, Office of Research & Technology Assessment, (301) 619–0033. For patent issues, Ms. Elizabeth Arwine, Patent Attorney, (301) 619–7808, both at telefax (301) 619–5034.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Anyone wishing to object to grant of this license may file written objections along with supporting evidence, if any, within 15 days from the date of this publication. Written objections are to be filed with
SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

RESERVES FORCE POLICY BOARD; NOTICE OF FEDERAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary of Defense, Reserve Forces Policy Board, Department of Defense.

ACTION: Notice of Federal Advisory Committee meeting.

SUMMARY: The Department of Defense (DoD) is publishing this notice to announce that the following Federal Advisory Committee meeting of the Reserve Forces Policy Board (RFPB) will take place.

DATES: Wednesday, December 14, 2016, from 9:55 a.m. to 3:20 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The address is the Pentagon, Room 3E863, Arlington, VA.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Alexander Sabol, Designated Federal Officer, (703) 681–0577 (Voice), (703) 681–0002 (Facsimile). Email: Alexander.J.Sabol.Civ@mail.mil. Mailing address is Reserve Forces Policy Board, 5113 Leesburg Pike, Suite 601, Falls Church, VA 22041. Web site: http://rfpb.defense.gov/. The most up-to-date changes to the meeting agenda can be found on the RFPB’s Web site.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Due to circumstances beyond the control of the Designated Federal Officer and the Department of Defense, the Reserve Forces Policy Board was unable to provide public notification of its meeting of December 14, 2016, as 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.

This meeting notice is being published under the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972 (FACA) (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 obtain, review, and evaluate information related to strategies, policies, and practices designed to improve and enhance the capabilities, efficiency, and effectiveness of the Reserve Components.

Agenda: The RFPB will hold a meeting from 9:55 a.m. to 3:20 p.m. The portion of the meeting from 9:55 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. will be closed to the public and will consist of remarks to the RFPB from the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Military Personnel Policy, who will provide an update on the Department of Defense’s Duty Status Reform efforts. The portion of the meeting from 10:55 a.m. to 3:20 p.m. will be open to the public and will consist of the following:

A briefing by LTG (Ret) David Barno and Dr. Nora Bensahel on their published Atlantic Council: “Future of the Army” Report in which they independently analyzed, and in their positions as Distinguished Scholars in Residence at the School of International Service at American University, gave five major recommendations for the Army to be ready for the challenges of the next few years, most of which involve getting more capacity out of the currently planned force: the West Virginia National Guard discussing their recent West Virginia domestic operations involving the National Guard; and a “Think Tank” Panel with participants from the Brookings Institute and the Center for Strategic and International Studies, as well as the President and CEO of Dumbarton Strategies, who will discuss their individual recommended priorities for the next Administration and the anticipated implications those priorities may have on Active/Reserve Component force structure, readiness, and utilization.

Meeting Accessibility: Pursuant to section 10(a)(1) of the FACA and 41 CFR 102–3.140 through 102–3.165, and subject to the availability of space, the meeting is open to the public from 10:55 a.m. to 3:20 p.m. Seating is on a first-come, first-served basis. All members of the public who wish to attend the public meeting must contact Mr. Alexander Sabol, the Designated Federal Officer, not later than 12:00 p.m. on Tuesday, December 13, as listed in the FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT section to make arrangements for a Pentagon escort, if necessary. Public attendees requiring escort should arrive at the Pentagon Metro Entrance with sufficient time to complete security screening no later than 10:15 a.m. on December 14. To complete the security screening, please be prepared to present two forms of identification. One must be a picture identification card. In accordance with section 10(a)(3) of the FACA, 5 U.S.C. 552b, and 41 CFR 102–3.155, the DoD has determined that the portion of this meeting scheduled to occur from 9:55 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. will be closed to the public. Specifically, the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), in coordination with the DoD FACA Attorney, has determined in writing that this portion of the meeting will be closed to the public because the Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Military Personnel Policy’s presentation will disclose information the premature disclosure of which is likely to significantly frustrate implementation of proposed agency action as covered by 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(9)(B).

Written Statements: Pursuant to 41 CFR 102–3.105(j) and 102–3.140 and section 10(a)(3) of the FACA, interested persons may submit written statements to the RFPB about its approved agenda or at any time on the RFPB’s mission. Written statements should be submitted to the RFPB’s Designated Federal Officer at the address, email, or facsimile number listed in the FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT section. If statements pertain to a specific topic being discussed at the planned meeting, then these statements must be submitted no later than five (5) business days prior to the meeting in question. Written statements received after this date may not be provided to or considered by the RFPB until its next meeting. The Designated Federal Officer will review all timely submitted written statements and provide copies to all the RFPB members before the meeting that is the subject of this notice. Please note that since the RFPB operates under the provisions of the FACA, all submitted comments and public presentations will be treated as public documents and will be made available for public inspection, including, but not limited to, being posted on the RFPB’s Web site.

Dated: December 6, 2016.

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

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Navy

Notice of Availability of Government-Owned Inventions; Available for Licensing

AGENCY: Department of the Navy; DoD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The inventions listed below are assigned to the United States Government as represented by the Secretary of the Navy and are available