

pinnipeds in the form of possible behavior changes, and is not expected to result in the injury or death of any marine mammal. As such, the proposed project is not likely to adversely impact the availability of any marine mammal species or stocks that may otherwise be used for subsistence purposes.

#### Endangered Species Act (ESA)

Threatened or endangered marine mammal species with confirmed occurrence in the project area include the Western North Pacific DPS and Mexico DPS of humpback whale, and the Western DPS Steller sea lion. The project area occurs within critical habitat for three major Steller sea lion haul-outs and one rookery. The three haul-outs (Old Man Rocks, Unalaska/ Cape Sedanka, and Akutan/Reef-Lava) are located between approximately 15 and 19 nautical miles from the project area. The closest rookery is Akutan/ Cape Morgan, which is about 19 nautical miles from the project area.

The NMFS Alaska Regional Office Protected Resources Division issued a Biological Opinion on April 19, 2017, under Section 7 of the ESA, on the issuance of an IHA to the COU under section 101(a)(5)(D) of the MMPA by the NMFS Permits and Conservation Division. The Biological Opinion concluded that the action is not likely to jeopardize the continued existence of Western DPS Steller sea lions or the Mexico DPSs of humpback whales, and is not likely to destroy or adversely modify western DPS Steller sea lion critical habitat.

#### National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)

NMFS prepared an Environmental Assessment (EA) analyzing the potential impacts to marine mammals from the proposed action and subsequently signed a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI). A copy of the EA and Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) is available upon request (see ADDRESSES).

Dated: May 18, 2017.

**Donna S. Wieting,**

*Director, Office of Protected Resources,  
National Marine Fisheries Service.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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#### Western Pacific Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

**AGENCY:** National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice of a public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Western Pacific Fishery Management Council (Council) will hold a meeting of its Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands (CNMI) Mariana Archipelago Fishery Ecosystem Plan (FEP) Advisory Panel (AP) to discuss and make recommendations on fishery management issues in the Western Pacific Region.

**DATES:** The CNMI Mariana Archipelago FEP AP will meet on Wednesday, June 7, 2017, from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. All times listed are local island times. For specific times and agendas, see **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**.

**ADDRESSES:** The CNMI Mariana Archipelago FEP AP will meet at the Saipan Department of Land and Natural Resources Conference Room, Lower Base, Saipan, MP 96950.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Kitty M. Simonds, Executive Director, Western Pacific Fishery Management Council; telephone: (808) 522-8220.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Public comment periods will be provided in the agenda. The order in which agenda items are addressed may change. The meetings will run as late as necessary to complete scheduled business.

#### Schedule and Agenda for the CNMI Mariana Archipelago FEP AP Meeting

*Wednesday, June 7, 2017, 6 p.m.–8 p.m.*

1. Welcome and Introductions
2. Report on Previous Council Action Items
3. Council Issues
  - A. CNMI Marine Conservation Plan
  - B. Council Research Priorities
    - i. Cooperative Research Priorities
    - ii. Magnuson Stevens Act Five-year Priorities
4. Mariana FEP Community Activities
5. Marianas FEP AP-CNMI Issues
  - A. Report of the Subpanels
    - i. Island Fisheries Subpanel
    - ii. Pelagic Fisheries Subpanel
    - iii. Ecosystems and Habitat Subpanel
    - iv. Indigenous Fishing Rights Subpanel
  - B. Other Issues
6. Public Comment

7. Discussion and Recommendations
8. Other Business

Although other non-emergency issues not on the agenda may come before this group for discussion, those issues may not be the subject of formal action during this meeting. Actions will be restricted to those issues specifically listed in this notice and any issues arising after publication of this notice that require emergency action under Section 305(c) of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, provided the public has been notified of the Council's intent to take final action to address the emergency.

#### Special Accommodations

The meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Kitty M. Simonds, (808) 522-8220 (voice) or (808) 522-8226 (fax), at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

**Authority:** 16 U.S.C. 1801 *et seq.*

Dated: May 18, 2017.

**Tracey L. Thompson,**

*Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Office of the Secretary

#### Defense Science Board; Notice of Federal Advisory Committee Meeting

**AGENCY:** Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition Technology and Logistics, 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 Defense Science Board, Defense Science Board 2017 Summer Study Task Force on Countering Anti-access Systems with Longer Range and Standoff Capabilities will take place.

**DATES:** Monday, May 22, 2017 from 7:50 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and Tuesday, May 23, 2017 from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** Strategic Analysis Inc., The Executive Conference Center, 4075 Wilson Boulevard, 3rd Floor, Arlington, VA 22203.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Defense Science Board Designated Federal Officer (DFO) Ms. Karen D.H. Saunders, (703) 571-0079 (Voice), (703) 697-1860 (Facsimile),

*karen.d.saunders.civ@mail.mil* (Email). Mailing address is Defense Science Board, 3140 Defense Pentagon, Room 3B888A, Washington, DC 20301-3140. Web site: <http://www.acq.osd.mil/dsb/>. The most up-to-date changes to the meeting agenda can be found on the Web site.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Defense Science Board was unable to provide public notification concerning its meeting on May 22 through 23, 2017, of the Defense Science Board 2017 Summer Study Task Force on Countering Anti-access Systems with Longer Range and Standoff Capabilities, 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 is being held under the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) 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 102-3.140 and 102-3.150.

*Purpose of the Meeting:* The mission of the DSB is to provide independent advice and recommendations on matters relating to the Department of Defense's (DoD) scientific and technical enterprise. The objective of the Long Range Effects 2017 Summer Study Task Force is to explore new defense systems and technologies that will enable cost effective power projection that relies on the use of longer stand-off distances than current capabilities. System components may be deployed on manned or unmanned platforms with a range of potential autonomous capabilities. Use of cost reducing technology and advanced production practices from defense and commercial industry may be a major part of the strategy for deploying adequate numbers of weapons.

*Agenda:* This two-day session will focus on industry perspectives regarding potential future capabilities and architectures for DoD implementation. Day One briefings will include opening remarks and expectations for the two-day session from Dr. David Whelan and Mr. Mark Russell, task force co-chairs; a briefing on Raytheon perspectives regarding potential future capabilities and architectures for the DoD from Mr. William Kiczuk, The Raytheon Company; a briefing on Aerojet Rocketdyne perspectives regarding potential future capabilities and architectures for the DoD from Mr. Tyler Evans, Aerojet Rocketdyne; a briefing on Boeing perspectives regarding potential

future capabilities and architectures for the DoD from Mr. Kevin Bowcutt, Mr. Brian Tillotson, and Mr. David Bujold, The Boeing Company; and a briefing on Northrop Grumman perspectives regarding potential future capabilities and architectures for the DoD from Mr. Patrick Antkowiak, Northrop Grumman Corporation. Day Two activities will include a briefing on Lockheed Martin perspectives regarding potential future capabilities and architectures for the DoD by Mr. Richard Lewis, Lockheed Martin Corporation. The remainder of Day Two activities will be the Long Range Effects 2017 Summer Study Task Force's four-panel break-out sessions: Architecture; Intelligence, Surveillance, and Reconnaissance; Basing, Delivery, and Weapons; and Command, Control, Communications, and Cyber. These panels will meet simultaneously to discuss topics to analyze in support of the study. Day Two will close with discussion of the four panels' work.

*Meeting Accessibility:* In accordance with section 10(d) of the FACA and 41 CFR 102-3.155, the DoD has determined that the Long Range Effects 2017 Summer Study Task Force meeting will be closed to the public. Specifically, the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics), in consultation with the DoD Office of General Counsel, has determined in writing that the meeting will be closed to the public because matters covered by 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(1) will be considered. The determination is based on the consideration that it is expected that discussions throughout will involve classified matters of national security concern. Such classified material is so intertwined with the unclassified material that it cannot reasonably be segregated into separate discussions without defeating the effectiveness and meaning of the overall meetings. To permit the meeting to be open to the public would preclude discussion of such matters and would greatly diminish the ultimate utility of the DSB's findings and recommendations to the Secretary of Defense and to the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics.

*Written Statements:* In accordance with section 10(a)(3) of the FACA and 41 CFR 102-3.105(j) and 102-3.140, interested persons may submit a written statement for consideration by the Long Range Effects 2017 Summer Study Task Force members at any time regarding its mission or in response to the stated agenda of a planned meeting. Individuals submitting a written statement must submit their statement to the DSB's DFO—Ms. Karen D.H.

Saunders, Executive Director, Defense Science Board, 3140 Defense Pentagon, Room 3B888A, Washington, DC 20301, via email at *karen.d.saunders.civ@mail.mil* or via phone at (703) 571-0079 at any point; however, if a written statement is not received at least 3 calendar days prior to the meeting, which is the subject of this notice, then it may not be provided to or considered by the Long Range Effects 2017 Summer Study Task Force until the next meeting of this task force. The DFO will review all submissions with the Long Range Effects 2017 Summer Study Task Force Co-Chairs and ensure they are provided to Long Range Effects 2017 Summer Study Task Force members prior to the end of the two-day meeting on May 23, 2017.

Dated: May 18, 2017.

**Aaron Siegel,**

*Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Office of the Secretary

#### Defense Advisory Committee on Women in the Services; Notice of Federal Advisory Committee Meeting

**AGENCY:** Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness, 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 Defense Advisory Committee on Women in the Services will take place.

**DATES:** Day 1—Open to the public Tuesday, June 13, 2017 from 8:30 a.m. to 2:45 p.m. Day 2—Open to the public Wednesday, June 14, 2017, from 8:30 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The address of the open meeting is the Association of the United States Army (AUSA) Conference Center, 2425 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22201.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jessica C. Myers, 703-697-2122 (Voice), 703-614-6233 (Facsimile), *jessica.c.myers4.civ@mail.mil* (Email). Mailing address is 4800 Mark Center Drive, Suite 04J25-01, Alexandria, VA 22350. Web site: <http://dacowits.defense.gov>. The most up-to-date changes to the meeting agenda can be found on the Web site.