

long-term multimodal transportation system for the Commonwealth of Virginia and Arlington County.

**DATES:** The Draft EA is available for a 30-day review period. Written comments will be accepted until the close of business on September 22, 2018.

**ADDRESSES:** The public is invited to submit comments to Ms. Kathy Perdue, Department of the Army, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Norfolk District, Planning and Policy Branch, 803 Front St., Norfolk, VA 23510 or via email: [SouthernExpansion@usace.army.mil](mailto:SouthernExpansion@usace.army.mil). The Project title and the commenter's contact information should be included with submitted comments.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ms. Kathy Perdue, (757) 201-7218.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** As part of the public involvement process, notice is hereby given by the USACE Norfolk District, on behalf of the ANC, of a public information meeting that will be held on August 22, 2018, from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m., at the Sheraton Pentagon City Hotel, 900 S Orme Street, Arlington, VA 22204. The public information meeting will allow participants the opportunity to comment and ask questions on the Draft EA. Attendance at the public meeting is not necessary to provide comments. Written comments may also be given to the contact listed under **ADDRESSES**.

The document is available for review at the following locations:

- (1) The USACE Norfolk District Arlington National Cemetery Southern Expansion website: <http://www.nao.usace.army.mil/Missions/Military-Construction/ANCSouthernExpansion/>
- (2) The ANC website: <https://www.arlingtoncemetery.mil/About/Policies-and-Public-Notices/Public-Notices>

- (3) Copies at the following Arlington County, Virginia Public Libraries:
  - a. Arlington County Central Library, 1015 N Quincy Street, Arlington, VA 22201.
  - b. Aurora Hills Branch Public Library, 735 South 18th Street, Arlington, VA 22202.
  - c. Columbia Pike Branch Public Library, 816 South Walter Reed Drive, Arlington, VA 22204.

The ANC is the lead federal agency for this Project, and the USACE has prepared the draft NEPA document on its behalf, assisted by the HNTB Corporation. The following are serving as cooperating agencies during the NEPA process: Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), the National Capital Planning

Commission (NCPC), the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT), and Arlington County. The ANC and the USACE also considered the input of various stakeholder organizations and the public.

ANC is located within the eastern boundary of Arlington County, in the northeastern corner of the Commonwealth of Virginia, and at the western terminus of Memorial Avenue, directly across the Arlington Memorial Bridge and the Potomac River from the District of Columbia (Washington, DC). ANC is our nation's most hallowed ground. This Army cemetery consists of 624 acres and is the final resting place of over 400,000 service members and their families. The proposed Southern Expansion site, bounded by Washington Boulevard (Route 27), I-395, the VDOT Maintenance Complex, the Foxcroft Heights neighborhood, and the ANC, involves approximately 70 acres among three landowners: ANC, Arlington County, and VDOT.

**Proposed Action.** The Proposed Action is to establish a single contiguous parcel of land south of the cemetery by closing and relocating local roadways and developing the parcel to increase interment capacity and increase multimodal transportation capacity on Columbia Pike. The contiguous parcel would be created through the replacement of Southgate Road with a new South Nash Street, and realignment of Columbia Pike and the Columbia Pike/Washington Boulevard interchange (adjacent to the Pentagon). The existing Air Force Memorial (AFM) would be incorporated into the cemetery expansion, and the existing Operations Complex would be relocated south of Columbia Pike.

**Alternatives.** The Draft EA considers a full range of alternatives that meet the Proposed Action's purpose and need, while avoiding and minimizing impacts to the maximum extent practicable. Alternatives were developed that leverage to varying degrees the Army-owned land south of Columbia Pike to increase contiguous space for burials and cemetery operational effectiveness. Alternatives considered in detail included: (1) Relocate Operations Complex Alternative (Preferred Alternative/Proposed Action); (2) Maintain Operations Complex with Tunnel Alternative; and (3) Maintain Operations Complex without Tunnel Alternative.

**Public Involvement.** A Notice of Intent to prepare an EA was published in the **Federal Register** (81 FR 23281) on April 20, 2016. A public NEPA scoping meeting was held on April 27, 2016, in Arlington County.

Pursuant to the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended (NEPA), 42 U.S.C. 4321-4370, as implemented by the Council on Environmental Quality Regulations (40 CFR parts 1500-1508), the ANC, as the lead federal agency, has determined that the project does not have the potential to cause significant impacts on the human environment, and has developed the Draft EA to examine and assess the impacts of the Proposed Action.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Extension of Comment Period, Draft Waste Incidental To Reprocessing Evaluation for Closure of Waste Management Area C at the Hanford Site, Washington

**AGENCY:** U.S. Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Extension of public comment period.

**SUMMARY:** On June 4, 2018, the U.S. Department of Energy ("DOE") published in the **Federal Register** a Notice of Availability of the *Draft Waste Incidental to Reprocessing Evaluation for Closure of Waste Management Area C at the Hanford Site, Washington* (Draft WIR Evaluation), which evaluates whether the stabilized tanks and ancillary structures in WMA C, as well as the residual material in these tanks and structures will meet the criteria in Section II.B.(2)(a) of DOE M. 435.1-1, *Radioactive Waste Management Manual* at closure. The original public comment period was from June 4, 2018 through September 7, 2018. This notice announces an extension of the public comment period on the Draft WIR Evaluation through November 7, 2018; any comments received after that date will be considered to the extent practical.

**DATES:** The comment period in the Notice of Availability, published on June 4, 2018 (83 FR 25657), is extended through November 7, 2018. Any comments received after that date will be considered to the extent practical.

**ADDRESSES:** Interested persons may submit comments by email to [WMACDRAFTWIR@rl.gov](mailto:WMACDRAFTWIR@rl.gov). Alternately, written comments may also be sent by mail to: Mr. Jan Bovier, U.S. Department of Energy, Office of River Protection, P.O. Box 450, MSIN H6-60, Richland, WA 99354.

The Draft WIR Evaluation is available on the internet at: <https://www.hanford.gov/page.cfm/WasteManagementAreaC> and is also publicly available for review at the following locations: U.S. DOE Public Reading Room, 1000 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20585, phone: (202) 586-5955, or fax: (202) 586-0575; and U.S. DOE Public Reading Room located at 2770 University Drive, Consolidated Information Center (CIC), Room 101L, Richland, WA 99354, phone: (509) 372-7303.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Jan Bovier by email at [Jan\\_B\\_Bovier@orp.doe.gov](mailto:Jan_B_Bovier@orp.doe.gov), by mail at U.S. Department of Energy, Office of River Protection, P.O. Box 450, MSIN H6-60, Richland, WA 99354, or by phone at (509) 376-9630.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On June 4, 2018, DOE published in the **Federal Register** a notice of availability of the Draft WIR Evaluation for comment by States, Tribal Nations, and the public (83 FR 25657). The original public comment period was from June 4, 2018 through September 7, 2018.

In response to several requests, DOE is extending the public comment period by 60 days, through November 7, 2018. DOE will consider comments received after that date to the extent practical.

DOE will consider comments from States, Tribal Nations and the public, as well as NRC consultative recommendations, prior to finalizing DOE's analyses and prior to issuing a final WIR Evaluation. Based on the final WIR Evaluation, DOE may determine (in a WIR determination) whether the stabilized tanks, residuals and ancillary structures in WMA C at closure meet the criteria in Section II.B.(2)(a) of DOE M. 435.1-1, *Radioactive Waste Management Manual*, are not high-level radioactive waste, and are to be managed as low-level radioactive waste.

Signed in Washington, DC, on August 10, 2018.

**Anne Marie White,**

*Assistant Secretary for Environmental Management.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. IC18-18-000]

#### Commission Information Collection Activities (FERC-545 and FERC-549c); Consolidated Comment Request; Extension

**AGENCY:** Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Notice of information collections and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission or FERC) is soliciting public comment on the requirements and burden of the information collections described below.

**DATES:** Comments on the collections of information are due October 15, 2018.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments (identified by Docket No. IC18-18-000) by either of the following methods:

- *eFiling at Commission's Website:* <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling.asp>.

- *Mail/Hand Delivery/Courier:* Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Secretary of the Commission, 888 First Street NE, Washington, DC 20426.

Please reference the specific collection number and/or title in your comments.

**Instructions:** All submissions must be formatted and filed in accordance with submission guidelines at: <http://www.ferc.gov/help/submission-guide.asp>. For user assistance contact FERC Online Support by email at [ferconlinesupport@ferc.gov](mailto:ferconlinesupport@ferc.gov), or by phone at: (866) 208-3676 (toll-free), or (202) 502-8659 for TTY.

**Docket:** Users interested in receiving automatic notification of activity in this docket or in viewing/downloading comments and issuances in this docket may do so at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/docs-filing.asp>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ellen Brown may be reached by email at [DataClearance@FERC.gov](mailto:DataClearance@FERC.gov), telephone at (202) 502-8663, and fax at (202) 273-0873.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

**Type of Request:** Three-year extension of the information collection requirements for all collections described below with no changes to the current reporting requirements. Please note the two collections are distinct.

**Comments:** Comments are invited on: (1) Whether the collections of

information are necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Commission, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of the agency's estimates of the burden and cost of the collections of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information collections; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collections of information on those who are to respond, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

#### FERC-545, Gas Pipeline Rates: Rate Change (Non-Formal)

**Title:** FERC-545, Gas Pipeline Rates: Rate Change (Non-formal).

**OMB Control No.:** 1902-0154.

**Type of Request:** Three-year extension of the FERC-545 information collection requirements with no changes to the current reporting requirements.

**Abstract:** FERC-545 is required to implement sections 4, 5, and 16 of the Natural Gas Act (NGA), (15 U.S.C. 717c-717o, PL 75 688, 52 Stat. 822 and 830). NGA sections 4, 5, and 16 authorize the Commission to inquire into rate structures and methodologies and to set rates at a just and reasonable level. Specifically, a natural gas company must obtain Commission authorization for all rates and charges made, demanded, or received in connection with the transportation or sale of natural gas in interstate commerce.

Under the NGA, a natural gas company's rates must be just and reasonable and not unduly discriminatory or preferential. The Commission may act under different sections of the NGA to effect a change in a natural gas company's rates. When the Commission reviews rate increases that a natural gas company has proposed, it is subject to the requirement of section 4(e) of the NGA. Under section 4(e), the natural gas company bears the burden of proving that its proposed rates are just and reasonable. On the other hand, when the Commission seeks to impose its own rate determination, it must do so in compliance with section 5(a) of the NGA. Under section 5, the Commission must first establish that its alternative rate proposal is both just and reasonable.

Section 16 of the NGA states that the Commission "shall have the power to perform any and all acts, and to prescribe, issue, make, amend, and rescind such orders, rules, and regulations as it may find necessary or appropriate to carry out provisions of