

Separation from the Armed Forces of the United States,” is designed to collect the information necessary to retrieve the medical separation and Department of Veterans Affairs records and correct military personnel and pay records.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Annual Burden Hours: 180.

Number of Respondents: 240.

Responses per Respondent: 1.

Annual Responses: 240.

Average Burden per Response: 45 minutes.

Frequency: On occasion.

Dated: June 12, 2024.

Aaron T. Siegel,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

[Docket ID: DoD–2024–OS–0067]

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Office of the Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller)/Chief Financial Officer, Department of Defense (DoD).

ACTION: 60-Day information collection notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the *Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995*, the Defense Finance and Accounting Service announces a proposed public information collection and seeks public comment on the provisions thereof. Comments are invited on: 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; the accuracy of the agency’s estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; and ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and ways to minimize the burden of the information collection on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

DATES: Consideration will be given to all comments received by August 19, 2024.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, identified by docket number and title, by any of the following methods:

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

Mail: Department of Defense, Office of the Assistant to the Secretary of Defense

for Privacy, Civil Liberties, and Transparency, Regulatory Directorate, 4800 Mark Center Drive, Mailbox #24, Suite 08D09, Alexandria, VA 22350–1700.

Instructions: All submissions received must include the agency name, docket number and title for this **Federal Register** document. The general policy for comments and other submissions from members of the public is to make these submissions available for public viewing on the internet at <http://www.regulations.gov> as they are received without change, including any personal identifiers or contact information.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request more information on this proposed information collection or to obtain a copy of the proposal and associated collection instruments, please write to Enterprise Standards and Solutions, Disbursing, Defense Finance and Accounting Services (DFAS), 8899 E 56th Street, Indianapolis, IN 46249–0201, POC: Kellen Stout (DFAS IMCO), (317) 212–1801.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title; Associated Form; and OMB Number: Waiver/Remission of Indebtedness Application; DD Form 2789; OMB Control Number 0730–0009.

Needs and Uses: The information collected on this form will be used by the DFAS to determine whether there is indication of fraud, misrepresentation, fault, or lack of good faith, and whether it is in the best interest of the United States to forgive the debt. It will also be used to determine if a debtor should have been reasonably aware of the overpayment when it occurred. If a request for waiver is denied, the debt collection office (DCO) (usually the payroll office) will continue or resume collection if collection action was previously suspended. If a request for waiver is approved, then the DCO must cancel any outstanding portion of the debt and refund any portion of the debt that may have been collected prior to waiver approval.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Number of Respondents: 4,500.

Responses per Respondent: 1.

Annual Responses: 4,500.

Average Burden per Response: 80 minutes.

Annual Burden Hours: 6,000.

Frequency: On occasion.

Dated: June 12, 2024.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army, Corps of Engineers

Notice of Intent To Prepare a Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement to the Revised Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement (RPEIS) for the Morganza to the Gulf of Mexico, Louisiana, Hurricane and Storm Damage Risk Reduction Project (MTG)

AGENCY: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Department of the Army, DoD.

ACTION: Notice of intent.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), Mississippi Valley Division, New Orleans District (CEMVN), is announcing its intent to prepare a Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (SEIS) to evaluate design changes to the authorized MTG project to meet the one percent Annual Exceedance Probability (AEP) Storm Surge Risk Reduction (100-year level of risk reduction (LORR)). This EIS supplements the Revised Programmatic EIS (RPEIS), MTG, Louisiana, that was integrated with the 2013 Final Post Authorization Change Report (PACR). The 2013 Integrated RPEIS and PACR was approved in the Chief’s Report that was signed July 8, 2013. The Record of Decision (ROD) was signed on December 9, 2013.

DATES: All comments and suggestions must be submitted by July 22, 2024.

ADDRESSES: To ensure the Corps has sufficient time to consider public input in the preparation of the Draft EIS, scoping comments should be submitted by email at mvnenvironmental@usace.army.mil, by surface mail to U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New Orleans District, Attn: CEMVN–PDC–C, 7400 Leake Avenue, New Orleans, Louisiana 70118, or at the Scoping Meeting(s).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Questions and scoping comments regarding the proposed action should be directed to Ms. Sandra Stiles at U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New Orleans District, Attn: CEMVN–PDS, 7400 Leake Avenue, New Orleans, Louisiana 70118, by phone (504) 862–2862, or by email at Sandra.E.Stiles@usace.army.mil.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background: The MTG hurricane and storm damage risk reduction project is a levee system located approximately 60 miles southwest of New Orleans, Louisiana and includes most of Terrebonne Parish and a portion of Lafourche Parish between the Terrebonne Parish eastern boundary and

Bayou Lafourche. The purpose of this project is to reduce the risk of damage caused by hurricane storm surges. A review of the project is needed because of the increasing susceptibility of coastal communities to storm surge due to wetland loss, sea level rise, and subsidence. The MTG Project was initially authorized by Section 1001(24) of the Water Resources Development Act (WRDA) of 2007 (Pub. L. 110–114) in accordance with the Reports of the Chief of Engineers dated 23 August 2002 and 22 July 2003, at a total cost of \$886.7 million. The project was redesigned in the 2013 Integrated RPEIS and PACR Report, both to address the project cost increase beyond the statutory limitation in accordance with Section 902 of the WRDA of 1986, as amended, and to meet updated post-Hurricane Katrina design guidelines. The MTG Project was subsequently re-authorized by Section 7002(3)5 of the WRRDA of 2014 (Pub. L. 113–121) in accordance with the Report of the Chief of Engineers dated 8 July 2013, at an updated total cost of \$10,265,100,000. The MTG project was authorized to provide the 1% AEP level of hurricane and storm damage risk reduction while maintaining navigational passage and tidal exchange. The project consists of approximately 98 miles of levee including associated navigation, roadway, pump station fronting protection, and environmental control structures. The 2013 RPEIS provided an assessment for both programmatic and constructible features for the MTG project. Constructible features consisted of those project features that were determined to have sufficient design details to be constructed. Constructible features included levee reaches F1, F2, G1; the HNC Lock; and the Bayou Grand Caillou Floodgate. The remaining features were designed to a programmatic design level that would require supplemental National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) documentation prior to construction. The mitigation plan for the constructible features included restoration of 427 acres of intermediate marsh, 358 acres of brackish marsh and 975 acres of saline marsh.

This SEIS will disclose the context and intensity of environmental impacts, including indirect and cumulative effects, for the final array of levee alignments and associated features. Any required mitigation will also be discussed.

Alternatives: The SEIS will evaluate the PACR alignment as identified in the 2013 Integrated RPEIS and PACR Report to include a reasonable range of alignment modifications that considers

existing levee alignments, the least environmental damaging preferred alignment maximizing avoidance and minimization measures to sensitive habitats as well as the no action alternative. Major Features of the project include: (1) Approximately 98 miles of earthen levee, with final levee elevations ranging from 15 feet to 26.0 feet North American Vertical Datum 1988 (NAVD88) plus overbuild and final levee widths from approximately 146 to 446 feet; (2) The Houma Navigation Canal lock complex (HNC Lock) with lock sill depth of – 18 feet; (3) Construction on navigable waterways of 21 other floodgates such as stop log gates, barge gates, and sector gates; (4) Environmental water control structures at numerous locations within the levee system. Each control structure would consist of one or more culverts with gates that allow for tidal exchange; (5) Measures to offset the potential for increased water levels on the existing Larose to Golden Meadow project.

Summary of Expected Effects: The SEIS will analyze the potential impacts on the human and natural environment resulting from the proposed actions for the Project. The scoping, public involvement, and interagency coordination processes are requesting data and information to help identify and define the range of potential significant issues that will be considered. Resources and issues that may be significantly impacted may include tidal wetlands and other waters of the U.S.; aquatic resources; essential fish habitat; threatened and endangered species and their critical habitats; cultural resources; soils; navigation and navigable waters; transportation and traffic; hydrology and hydraulics; induced flooding; environmental justice; and cumulative effects of related projects in the regional area.

Environmental Reviews and Consultation Requirements: The alternatives are being coordinated with federal, state, regional, and local agencies. In accordance with relevant environmental laws and regulations, USACE will consult with the following agencies some of which may also serve as cooperating or participating agencies in the EIS preparation: Department of Interior's U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) under the Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act; USFWS and National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's (NOAA) under the Endangered Species Act; National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) under the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act; Louisiana's Department of Natural Resources (LDNR) under the Coastal

Zone Management Act; and Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality (LDEQ) under the Clean Water Act, Section 401 Water Quality Certification; and, the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (ACHP), Louisiana's Historic Preservation Office (SHPO), and appropriate Tribal Historic Preservation Officers under the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) using an integrated NHPA Section 106/NEPA EIS process.

NEPA Schedule: The draft SEIS is presently scheduled to be available for public review and comment in June 2025. A 45-day public review period will be provided for interested parties and agencies to review and comment on this draft document. All interested parties are encouraged to respond to this notice and provide a current address if they wish to be notified of the Draft EIS circulation. A Record of Decision would be approved and signed no earlier than 30 days after the Final EIS is published.

Public Involvement and Scoping: The following agencies are being invited as Cooperating Agencies on the SEIS: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), USFWS, NMFS, U.S. Department of Agriculture's Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS), ACHP, Louisiana's SHPO, LDNR, Louisiana's Department of Wildlife and Fisheries (LDWF), and Louisiana's Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority.

USACE invites all affected federal, state, and local agencies, affected Federally recognized Indian Tribes, other interested parties, and the general public to participate in the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) process during development of the DEIS. Besides providing information, this notice requests input on alternatives and issues of concern.

To ensure that public comments are considered in the DEIS preparation process, members of the public, interested persons and entities must submit their comments to USACE by mail, email, or at the Scoping Meeting(s). All comments and suggestions must be submitted by July 22, 2024. All personally identifiable information (for example, name, address, etc.) voluntarily submitted by a commenter may be publicly accessible. Do not submit confidential business information or otherwise sensitive or protected information.

Scoping meeting(s) could be held during the scoping period which extends to July 22, 2024, to present information and receive comments from the public. Notification of the meeting(s) will be publicly announced in advance by USACE through press releases, special public notices, USACE social

media platforms, and the project website <http://www.mvn.usace.army.mil/About/Projects/Morganza-to-the-Gulf/>.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

President's Board of Advisors on Historically Black Colleges and Universities

AGENCY: President's Board of Advisors on Historically Black Colleges and Universities, Office of Secretary, Department of Education.

ACTION: Notice. Cancelled open public meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice is to advise members of the public of the cancellation of the open meeting of the President's Board of Advisors on Historically Black Colleges and Universities scheduled to be held on June 20, 2024 at 10:30 p.m. (EDT). The open meeting was announced in the **Federal Register** on Monday, May 20, 2023, in FR Doc. 2024–10920 page 43840–43841.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Sedika Franklin, Associate Director/ Designated Federal Official, U.S. Department of Education, White House Initiative on Historically Black Colleges and Universities, 400 Maryland Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20204; telephone: (202) 453–5634 or (202) 453–5630, or email sedika.franklin@ed.gov.

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Chief of Staff, Office of the Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Tests Determined To Be Suitable for Use in the National Reporting System for Adult Education

AGENCY: Office of Career, Technical, and Adult Education, Department of Education.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Secretary announces tests, test forms, and delivery formats that the Secretary determines to be suitable for use in the National Reporting System for Adult Education (NRS). This notice relates to the approved information collections under

OMB control numbers 1830–0027 and 1830–0567.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: John LeMaster, Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20202. Telephone: 202–987–0903. Email: John.LeMaster@ed.gov.

If you are deaf, hard of hearing, or have a speech disability and wish to access telecommunications relay services, please dial 7–1–1.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On January 14, 2008, we published in the **Federal Register** final regulations for 34 CFR part 462, Measuring Educational Gain in the National Reporting System for Adult Education (73 FR 2305, January 14, 2008, as amended at 81 FR 55552, August 19, 2016) (NRS regulations). The NRS regulations established the process the Secretary uses to determine the suitability of tests for use in the NRS by States and local eligible providers. We annually publish in the **Federal Register**, and post on the internet at www.nrsweb.org, a list of the names of tests and the educational functioning levels the tests are suitable to measure in the NRS as required by § 462.12(c)(2).

On August 7, 2020, the Secretary published in the **Federal Register** (85 FR 47952) an annual notice consolidating information from previous notices that announced tests determined to be suitable for use in the NRS, in accordance with § 462.13 (August 2020 annual notice). Also, in the August 2020 annual notice, the Secretary announced that English as a Second Language (ESL) tests and test forms approved for an extended period through February 2, 2021, are approved for an additional extended period through February 2, 2023, and that an Adult Basic Education (ABE) test and test forms previously approved for a three-year period through March 7, 2021, are approved for an extended period through March 7, 2023.

On December 6, 2021, the Secretary published in the **Federal Register** (86 FR 69021), an annual notice with the same list of approved tests and test forms as was published in the August 2020 annual notice.

On September 23, 2022, the Secretary published in the **Federal Register** (87 FR 58078) an annual notice announcing that ESL tests and test forms previously approved for an extended period through February 2, 2023, were approved for an additional extended period through February 2, 2024, and that an ABE test and test forms previously approved for an extended period through March 7, 2023, were

approved for an additional extended period through March 7, 2024.

On July 13, 2023, the Secretary published in the **Federal Register** (88 FR 44784) an annual notice announcing new tests that were determined to be suitable for use in the NRS, in accordance with § 462.13 (July 2023 annual notice). Three tests measured the NRS educational functioning levels for ABE at the ABE levels specified in the July 2023 annual notice, and four tests measured the new NRS educational functioning levels for ESL at the ESL levels specified in the July 2023 annual notice. With the Secretary's approval of the new ESL tests in the July 2023 annual notice, the new educational functioning levels for ESL described in Appendix A of Measures and Methods for the National Reporting System for Adult Education (OMB Control Number: 1830–0027) were implemented. In the July 2023 annual notice, the Secretary announced that ESL tests with NRS approvals expiring on February 2, 2024, may be used in the NRS during a sunset period ending on June 30, 2024.

On August 24, 2023, the Secretary published a notice in the **Federal Register** (88 FR 57949) correcting the name of one test listed in the July 2023 annual notice. All other information in the July 2023 annual notice remained the same.

On March 18, 2024, the Secretary published in the **Federal Register** (89 FR 19307) a notice announcing that the sunset period for ESL tests scheduled to sunset on June 30, 2024, is extended through June 30, 2025. This extension of the sunset period will allow States sufficient time for the operational activities required for the transition to the new ESL assessments identified in the July 2023 annual notice.

The ESL educational functioning level descriptors to which the ESL tests with expiring NRS approvals are aligned and that were scheduled to be retired on June 30, 2024, are extended through June 30, 2025. Until that time, both the current ESL educational functioning level descriptors and the new ESL educational functioning level descriptors will be in effect. States must use an ESL assessment that is aligned to the appropriate ESL educational functioning level descriptors.

In this notice, the Secretary announces two new tests and test forms that have been determined to be suitable for use in the NRS, in accordance with § 462.13. The tests measure the NRS educational functioning levels at all ABE and ESL levels, as described in Appendix A of Measures and Methods for the National Reporting System for Adult Education (OMB Control Number