

requirements of section 101(a)(5)(D) of the MMPA for the issuance of the IHA. The **Federal Register** notice included web links to a draft IHA for review, as well as other supporting documents.

No substantive comments were received during the 30-day public comment period. There are no changes to the specified activity, the species taken, the proposed numbers, type, or methods of take, or the mitigation, monitoring, or reporting measures in the proposed IHA notice. No new information that would change any of the preliminary analyses, conclusions, or determinations in the proposed IHA notice has become available since that notice was published, and therefore, the preliminary analyses, conclusions, and determinations included in the proposed IHA are considered final.

National Environmental Policy Act

To comply with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA; 42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*) and NOAA Administrative Order (NAO) 216-6A, NMFS must review our proposed action (*i.e.*, the issuance of an IHA) with respect to potential impacts on the human environment. This action is consistent with categories of activities identified in Categorical Exclusion B4 (IHAs with no anticipated serious injury or mortality) of the Companion Manual for NAO 216-6A, which do not individually or cumulatively have the potential for significant impacts on the quality of the human environment and for which we have not identified any extraordinary circumstances that would preclude this categorical exclusion. Accordingly, NMFS has determined that the issuance of the IHA qualifies to be categorically excluded from further NEPA review.

Endangered Species Act

Section 7(a)(2) of the Endangered Species Act (ESA; 16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*) requires that each Federal agency insure that any action it authorizes, funds, or carries out is not likely to jeopardize the continued existence of any endangered or threatened species or result in the destruction or adverse modification of designated critical habitat. To ensure ESA compliance for the issuance of IHAs, NMFS consults internally whenever we propose to authorize take for endangered or threatened species, in this case with the Alaska Regional Office.

NMFS Office of Protected Resources (OPR) is authorizing take of Mexico DPS of humpback whale, Western North Pacific DPS of humpback whale, and Western DPS of Steller sea lion which are listed under the ESA. We have

determined that the action is likely to adversely affect these species of marine mammals and requested initiation of section 7 consultation with the NMFS Alaska Regional Office for the issuance of this IHA. The resultant Biological Opinion determined that the action was not likely to jeopardize the continued existence of Mexico DPS of humpback whale, Western North Pacific DPS of humpback whale, and Western DPS of Steller sea lion or adversely modify critical habitat.

Authorization

Accordingly, consistent with the requirements of section 101(a)(5)(D) of the MMPA, NMFS has issued an IHA to TAC for authorization to take marine mammals incidental to the Port of Adak Pier 5 Improvements Project at Adak Island, Alaska.

Dated: May 12, 2026.

Kimberly Damon-Randall,

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

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COMMITTEE FOR PURCHASE FROM PEOPLE WHO ARE BLIND OR SEVERELY DISABLED

Procurement List; Additions

AGENCY: Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled.

ACTION: Addition to the Procurement List.

SUMMARY: This action adds product(s) to the Procurement List that will be furnished by nonprofit agencies employing persons who are blind or have other severe disabilities.

DATES: *Date added to and deleted from the Procurement List:* May 31, 2026.

ADDRESSES: Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled, 250 E Street SW, Suite 3100, Washington, DC 20024.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For further information or to submit comments contact: Michael R. Jurkowski, Telephone: (703) 489-1322, or email CMTEFedReg@AbilityOne.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Addition

On February 6, 2026, the Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled (operating as the U.S. AbilityOne Commission) published an initial notice of proposed additions to the Procurement Lists. (91 FR 5435) This final notice is published

pursuant to 41 U.S.C. 8503(a)(2) and 41 CFR 51-2.3. The Committee has determined that the product listed below is suitable for procurement by the Federal Government and has added this product to the Procurement List. In accordance with 41 CFR 51-5.2, the Committee has authorized the qualified nonprofit agencies described with the product as the mandatory source(s) of supply. Additionally, in accordance with 41 CFR 51-2.4, the Committee considered relevant information from the contracting activity that this (product) requirement is not applicable to other Federal entities and has granted the activity's requested preference for purchase or distribution. This product is not available through the Commission's Commercial Distribution Program, and other Federal entities wishing to purchase this product must contact the contracting activity listed directly for information on purchase availability.

After consideration of the material presented to it concerning capability of qualified nonprofit agencies to provide the product(s) and impact of the additions on the current or most recent contractors, the Committee has determined that the product(s) listed below are suitable for procurement by the Federal Government under 41 U.S.C. 8501-8506 and 41 CFR 51-2.4.

Regulatory Flexibility Act Certification

End of Certification

1. The action will not result in additional reporting, recordkeeping or other compliance requirements for small entities.

2. The action may result in authorizing small entities to furnish the product(s) and service(s) to the Government.

3. There are no known regulatory alternatives which would accomplish the objectives of the Javits-Wagner-O'Day Act (41 U.S.C. 8501-8506) in connection with the product(s) and service(s) deleted from the Procurement List.

End of Certification

Accordingly, the following product(s) are added to the Procurement List:

Product(s)

NSN(s)—Product Name(s)
6545-01-689-9365—Kit, Standard Vehicle, Medical

Authorized Source of Supply: The Lighthouse for the Blind, Inc. (Seattle Lighthouse), Seattle, WA

Mandatory For: DEPT OF DEFENSE
Contracting Activity: DEPT OF DEFENSE, DLA TROOP SUPPORT

The Committee finds good cause to dispense with the 30-day delay in the

effective date normally required by the Administrative Procedure Act. See 5 U.S.C. 553(d). This addition to the Committee's Procurement List is effectuated because of the needs of the Defense Logistics Agency Troop Support (DLATS) to place orders for the product. The Federal customer contacted and has worked diligently with the AbilityOne Program to fulfill this product under the AbilityOne Program. To avoid performance disruption, and the possibility that the DLATS will refer its business elsewhere, this addition must be effective on May 31, 2026. The Committee published an initial notice of proposed Procurement List addition in the **Federal Register** on February 6, 2026 (91 FR 5435) but did not receive any comments. This addition will not create a public hardship and has limited effect on the public at large. Rather, this addition will create new jobs for other affected parties—people with significant disabilities in the AbilityOne program who otherwise face challenges locating employment.

Michael R. Jurkowski,

Director, Business Operations.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary of Defense

Renewal of Department of Defense Federal Advisory Committees—Air University Board of Visitors

AGENCY: Department of Defense (DoD).

ACTION: Renewal of Federal Advisory Committee.

SUMMARY: The Department of War (DoW) is publishing this notice to announce it is renewing the Air University Board of Visitors (AU BoV) as a discretionary Federal advisory committee.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jim Freeman, Advisory Committee Management Officer for the DoW, 703-692-5952.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The DoW is renewing the AU BoV in accordance with chapter 10 of title 5 United States Code (U.S.C.) (commonly known as the "Federal Advisory Committee Act" or "FACA") and 41 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 102-3.50(d), and DoW policies and procedures. The public or interested organizations may submit written statements about the AU BoV mission and functions. Written statements may be submitted at any

time or in response to the stated agenda of planned meetings of the AU BoV. All written statements shall be submitted to the AU BoV Designated Federal Officer (DFO), and this individual will ensure that all written statements are provided to the membership for their consideration. The AU BoV's DFO is Dr. Ella Temple, and she may be contact at (334) 953-3063, or ella.temple@us.af.mil.

Consistent with 41 CFR 102-3.65(a), the DoW is publishing the AU BoV's Public Interest Determination.

Pursuant to 41 CFR 102-3.60(a), to establish, renew, reestablish, or merge a discretionary (agency discretion) advisory committee, an agency must first consult with the General Services Administration's Committee Management Secretariat (the Secretariat) and, as part of the consultation, provide a written public interest determination approved by the head of the agency to the Secretariat with a copy to the Office of Management and Budget. In addition, pursuant to 41 CFR 102-3.35, an agency shall follow the same consultation process and document in writing the same determination of need before creating a subcommittee under a discretionary committee that is not made up entirely of members of a parent advisory committee. Information on the following factors for the Air University Board of Visitors (AU BoV) is provided to the Secretariat to demonstrate that renewing the AU BoV is in the public interest:

1. *Annual Budget:* The estimated annual operating cost of the AU BoV, to include personnel, travel, meetings, and contract support, is approximately \$143,000.

a. Federal personnel on a full-time equivalent (FTE) basis: The estimated AU BoV's annual fully burdened personnel cost to the DoW is .75 full-time equivalents at \$120,000, which includes basic pay with cost-of-living allowances (COLA).

b. Other Federal internal costs: Other administrative costs for the AU BoV is \$1,000.

c. Proposed payments to members: Consistent with 10 U.S.C. 173, members of the AU BoV are not compensated for their services, except for travel and per diem reimbursement for official AU BoV-related business.

d. Proposed number of members: As authorized by the Secretary of War (SecWar), the AU BoV will be composed of not more than 15 members.

e. Reimbursable costs: The estimated reimbursement costs, to include travel, for AU BoV staff and members are \$22,000.

2. *If applicable, the total dollar value of grants expected to be recommended during the fiscal year:* N/A.

3. *Criteria for selecting members to ensure the committee has the necessary expertise and fairly balanced membership:* As described in its proposed charter and membership balance plan, the AU BoV is composed of members who are eminent authorities air, space, cyberspace, defense, management, leadership, and academia.

In selecting members, the DoW seeks to capitalize on recognized talented, innovative private and public sector leaders to provide the broadest knowledge and expertise based on a balanced AU BoV membership composition. The AU BoV membership is not static, and the SecWar and Deputy Secretary of War ("the DoW Appointing Authority") may change the membership based upon work assigned to the AU BoV by the DoW Appointing Authority or the Secretary of the Air Force, as the AU BoV's DoW Sponsor.

4. *List of all other DoW Federal Advisory Committees:* A complete listing of DoW Federal advisory committees can be located at: <https://www.facadatabase.gov/FACA/s/account/001t000000DCAooAAH/department-of-defense>.

5. *Justification that the information or advice provided by the Federal advisory committee or subcommittee is not available from another Federal advisory committee, another Federal Government source, or any other more cost-effective and less burdensome source:* The AU BOV provides independent, multidisciplinary advisory expertise spanning air, space, cyberspace, defense, management, leadership, and academia—a composition no commercial consulting service can replicate at equivalent cost. The AU BoV provides advice and recommendations on the educational, doctrinal, and research policies of Air University. While ultimate authority over Air University resides within the DoW chain of command, civilian accrediting bodies (like the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC) and Higher Learning Commission (HLC)) require higher education institutions to maintain an independent board. The AU BoV fulfills accreditation governing board requirements under SACSCOC and HLC standards by acting as an independent advisory body. Without this body, AU risks loss of civilian accreditation, directly threatening force recruiting, retention, and graduate credibility across the Department.