

simulation into the applied decision making of NDU programs. The BoV NDU has also been a strong advocate for strengthening relationships with the defense industrial base, supporting NDU's successful petition to expand the number of private sector fellow positions within the student body.

Fostering Accountability & Stability: The BoV NDU is a significant advocate for stable funding for NDU, monitoring fiscal, physical infrastructure, and technological requirements. This support was instrumental in securing Joint Staff and OSW funding to replace failing classroom infrastructure at North and South campuses in fiscal year 2024. The BoV NDU also routinely reviews NDU's military and civilian accreditation compliance. In Academic Year 2024, they reviewed improvements to NDU's institutional assessment processes, ensuring that the University has a sustainable approach for identifying and implementing improvements.

The BoV NDU has contributed to the achievement of the NDU's mission for five decades, safeguarding the quality of senior-level joint professional military education. It provides expert recommendations on curriculum and instructional innovation focused on DoW priority areas: rigorous standards, warrior ethos, and military leadership in complex, joint environments. Additionally, it guides and monitors strategic planning and implementation. Most recently, these efforts have focused on integration of emerging technologies, wargaming, and simulation into NDU programs. The BoV NDU also plays a critical role in institutional accountability and quality, providing routine updates to the CJCS on requirements and trends in institutional performance. This governance function is required for compliance with academic accreditation, which both enables the NDU to grant degrees and facilitates DoW's compliance with the Goldwater-Nichols Department of Defense Reorganization Act of 1986, 10 U.S.C. 2152 direction to ensure "schools maintain rigorous standards for the military education of officers."

7. *Explanation of why the committee/subcommittee is essential to the conduct of agency business:* The BoV NDU provides expert guidance on vital issues for improving NDU and its six colleges as they deliver military education tailored for senior-level warfighters and national security partners (JPME I, II and III), the intelligence community, DoW's Cyber Workforce, DoW's Senior Acquisition Workforce, and joint special operators. More specifically, BoV NDU review encompasses curriculum,

strategic innovation (e.g., incorporation of emerging technologies), and institutional effectiveness. This includes reviewing how NDU programs are implementing executive and DoW priorities. The BoV NDU also serves as a guardian of institutional integrity, advising the CJCS to ensure that the NDU continues to fulfill its mission to educate for warfighting advantage to win in competition, crisis, and conflict. This governance function is required for academic accreditation, which both enables the NDU to grant degrees and facilitates DoW's compliance with the Goldwater-Nichols Department of Defense Reorganization Act of 1986, 10 U.S.C. 2152, direction that "schools maintain rigorous standards for the military education of officers." Following each bi-annual meeting, the BoV NDU provides written recommendations to the CJCS, directly contributing to institutional improvement.

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Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

[Docket ID: DOD-2026-OS-0629]

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

AGENCY: Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness (OUSDP&R), Department of Defense (DoD).

ACTION: 30-Day information collection notice.

SUMMARY: The DoD has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act.

DATES: Consideration will be given to all comments received by August 20, 2026.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain. Find this particular information collection by selecting "Currently under 30-day Review—Open for Public Comments" or by using the search function.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Reginald Lucas, (571) 372-7574,

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title; Associated Form; and OMB Number: Navy New Parent Support Program (NPSP) Evaluation Addendum: Phase II; OMB Control Number 0704-0645.

Type of Request:
Number of Respondents: 15,000.
Responses per Respondent: 1.
Annual Responses: 15,000.
Average Burden per Response: 15 minutes.

Annual Burden Hours: 3,750.

Needs and Uses: This information collection is necessary to better understand the benefits and limitations of using the Family Needs Screener (FNS) within Family Advocacy Program's New Parent Support Program (NPSP) as an intake tool to identify potential risk and protective factors for family violence and services offered by NPSP.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Frequency: On Occasion.

Respondent's Obligation: Voluntary.

DOD Clearance Officer: Mr. Reginald Lucas.

Dated: July 17, 2026.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board, Paducah

AGENCY: Office of Environmental Management, Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces an in-person/livestreamed meeting of the Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board (EM SSAB), Paducah. The Federal Advisory Committee Act requires that public notice of this meeting be announced in the **Federal Register**.

DATES: Thursday, August 20, 2026; 5:30-7 p.m. CDT.

ADDRESSES: West Kentucky Community and Technical College (WKCTC), Emerging Technology Center, Room 215, 5100 Alben Barkley Drive, Paducah, Kentucky 42001. This meeting will be held in-person at the WKCTC Emerging Technology Center, Room 215 and livestreamed. The meeting will be streamed on YouTube at <https://www.youtube.com/@pppoadvisoryboards8584>; no registration is necessary.