

Charter
Chief of Engineers Environmental Advisory Board

1. Committee's Official Designation: The Committee will be known as the Chief of Engineers Environmental Advisory Board ("the Board").
2. Authority: The Secretary of Defense, in accordance with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) of 1972 (5 U.S.C., Appendix, as amended) and 41 C.F.R. § 102-3.50(d), established the Board.
3. Objectives and Scope of Activities: The Board shall provide independent advice and recommendations on matters relating to environmental and water resource management issues facing the United States Army Corps of Engineers, as set out in paragraph four below.
4. Description of Duties: The Board shall provide independent advice and recommendations to the Secretary of Defense, the Deputy Secretary of Defense, and the Secretary of the Army on matters relating to the two distinct component programs of the United States Army Corps of Engineers - the Military Program, which supports Army war fighters, and the Civil Works Program, which manages many of the water resources of the Nation.
5. Agency or Official to Whom the Committee Reports: The Board shall report to the Secretary of Defense and the Deputy Secretary of Defense, through the Secretary of the Army, the Assistant Secretary of the Army (Civil Works), and the Chief of Engineers. The Chief of Engineers, pursuant to Federal and DoD policies and procedures, shall be authorized to act upon the Board's advice and recommendations.
6. Support: The Department of Defense (DoD), through the United States Army Corps of Engineers, shall provide support, as deemed necessary for the Board's performance of its functions and shall ensure compliance with the requirements of the FACA, the Government in the Sunshine Act of 1976 (5 U.S.C. § 552b, as amended) ("the Sunshine Act"), governing Federal statutes and regulations, and established DoD policies and procedures.
7. Estimated Annual Operating Costs and Staff Years: The estimated annual operating cost, to include travel, meetings, and contract support, is approximately \$270,000.00. The estimated annual personnel cost to the DoD are 1.5 full-time equivalents.
8. Designated Federal Officer: The Board's Designated Federal Officer (DFO), pursuant to DoD policy, shall be a full-time or permanent part-time DoD employee, and shall be appointed in accordance with established DoD policies and procedures.

The Board's DFO is required to be in attendance at all Board and any subcommittee meetings for the entire duration of each and every meeting. However, in the absence of the Board's DFO, a properly approved Alternate DFO, duly appointed to the Board according to established DoD policies and procedures, shall attend the entire duration of all Board and subcommittee meetings.

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The DFO or the Alternate DFO, shall call all Board and subcommittee meetings; prepare and approve all meeting agendas; and adjourn any meeting when the DFO or the Alternate DFO, determines adjournment to be in the public interest or required by governing regulations or DoD policies and procedures.

9. Estimated Number and Frequency of Board Meetings: The Board shall meet at the call of the Board's DFO, in consultation with the Board's Chair. The estimated number of Board meetings is two per year.
10. Duration: The need for this advisory function is on a continuing basis; however, this charter is subject to renewal every two years.
11. Termination: The Board shall terminate upon completion of its mission or two years from the date this charter is filed, whichever is sooner, unless the Secretary of Defense or designee extends it.
12. Membership and Designation: The Board shall be comprised of not more than 10 members who are eminent authorities in the fields of natural (e.g. biology, ecology), social (e.g. anthropology, community planning), and related sciences.

All Board members shall be appointed by the Secretary of Defense or the Deputy Secretary of Defense, and all member appointments require annual renewal by the Secretary of Defense or the Deputy Secretary of Defense. Board members who are not full-time or permanent part-time Federal employees, shall be appointed as experts and consultants, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. § 3109, to serve as special government employee (SGE) members. Those members who are full-time or permanent part-time Federal employees shall be appointed to serve as regular government employee (RGE) members, pursuant to 41 C.F.R. § 102-3.130(a).

The Secretary of Defense may approve the appointments of Board members for one-to-four year terms of service; however, no member, unless authorized by the Secretary of Defense, may serve more than two consecutive terms of service. This same term of service limitation also applies to any DoD authorized subcommittees.

Each Board member is appointed to provide advice on behalf of the government on the basis of his or her best judgment without representing any particular point of view and in a manner that is free from conflict of interest.

With the exception of reimbursement for official Board-related travel and per diem, no member of the Board will receive compensation for their service.

13. Subcommittees: The Department, when necessary and consistent with the Board's mission and DoD policies and procedures, may establish subcommittees, task forces, or working groups to support the Board. Establishment of subcommittees will be based upon a written determination, to include terms of reference, by the Secretary of Defense, the Deputy Secretary of Defense, or the Secretary of the Army, as the Board's Sponsor.

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Such subcommittees shall not work independently of the Board and shall report all of their recommendations and advice solely to the Board for full and open deliberation and discussion. Subcommittees have no authority to make decisions and recommendations, verbally or in writing, on behalf of the Board. No subcommittee or its members can update or report, verbally or in writing, on behalf of the Board, directly to the DoD or to any Federal officer or employee.

The Secretary of Defense or the Deputy Secretary of Defense s to a term of service of one-to-four years, even if the member in question is already a member of the Board. Subcommittee members shall not serve more than two consecutive terms of service unless authorized by the Secretary of Defense or the Deputy Secretary of Defense.

Subcommittee members, if not full-time or part-time government employees, shall be appointed as experts and consultants, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. § 3109, to serve as SGE members, whose appointments must be renewed by the Secretary of Defense or the Deputy Secretary of Defense, on an annual basis. . Subcommittee members who are full-time or permanent part-time Federal employees shall be appointed as RGE members, pursuant to 41 C.F.R. § 102-3.130(a). With the exception of reimbursement for official Board-related travel and per diem, subcommittee members shall serve without compensation.

All subcommittees operate under the provisions of FACA, the Sunshine Act, governing Federal statutes and regulations, and governing DoD policies and procedures.

14. Recordkeeping: The records of the Board and its subcommittees shall be handled according to section 2, General Records Schedule 26, and governing DoD policies and procedures. These records shall be available for public inspection and copying, subject to the Freedom of Information Act of 1966 (5 U.S.C. § 552, as amended).
15. Filing Date: June 6, 2014