

does not routinely train with rotary-wing light-lift and attack support.

In support of the proposed action to base and operate up to two VMM squadrons and one HMLA squadron in Hawaii, the DoN will: (1) Implement facilities projects at MCB Hawaii Kaneohe Bay to accommodate the squadrons, to include demolition, new construction, and renovation; (2) conduct aviation training, readiness, and special exercise operations at training facilities and federally obligated state airports statewide; and (3) construct improvements at selected training facilities.

All practical means to avoid or minimize environmental harm from the selected alternative have been adopted.

The complete text of the Record of Decision is available for public viewing on the project Web site at [www.mcbh.usmc.mil/mv22h1eis](http://www.mcbh.usmc.mil/mv22h1eis) along with the Final Environmental Impact Statement and the Programmatic Agreement negotiated under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. For further information, contact Naval Facilities Engineering Command, Pacific Division, Attn: EV21, MV-22/H-1 EIS Project Manager, 258 Makalapa Drive, Suite 100, Pearl Harbor, HI 96860-3134. Telephone 808-472-1196.

Dated: August 6, 2012.

**C.K. Chiappetta,**

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## DEFENSE NUCLEAR FACILITIES SAFETY BOARD

### Sunshine Act Notice

**AGENCY:** Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board.

**ACTION:** Notice of Public Meeting and Hearing.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to the provisions of the "Government in the Sunshine Act" (5 U.S.C. 552b), and as authorized by 42 U.S.C. 2286b, notice is hereby given of the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board's (Board) public meeting and hearing described below. The Board invites interested persons or groups to present comments, technical information, or data concerning safety issues related to the matters to be considered.

**TIME AND DATE OF MEETING:** Session I: 1 p.m.—5 p.m., October 2, 2012; Session II: 6:30 p.m.—9 p.m., October 2, 2012.

**PLACE:** Knoxville Convention Center, 701 Henley Street, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902.

**STATUS Open.** While the Government in the Sunshine Act does not require that the scheduled discussion be conducted in a meeting, the Board has determined that an open meeting in this specific case furthers the public interests underlying both the Sunshine Act and the Board's enabling legislation.

**MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:** In Session I of this public meeting and hearing, the Board will examine the National Nuclear Security Administration's (NNSA) efforts to mitigate risks to public and worker safety posed by aging defense nuclear facilities at the Y-12 National Security Complex. The Board will receive testimony from NNSA and its contractors concerning the operations at existing Y-12 defense nuclear facilities, including Building 9212, Building 9204-2E, and Building 9215. The Board is interested in actions taken to address recent issues with conduct of operations, maintenance, and work planning; the contractor's processes for identifying and resolving safety issues; and the effectiveness of NNSA's oversight for nuclear operations. The Board will also examine the status of emergency preparedness at Y-12 and will receive testimony concerning how well NNSA and its contractor are prepared to respond to severe events and site emergencies. The Board is interested in lessons learned from the events at the Fukushima Daiichi complex and the actions taken to incorporate these lessons learned at the site-wide level and in defense nuclear facility operations. During Session II, the Board will receive testimony regarding factors that could affect the timely execution and safety of the Uranium Processing Facility (UPF) project. These factors include the federal project team's strategy for identifying and resolving safety issues in a timely manner. The Board is also interested in exploring the potential safety impacts of NNSA's decision to accelerate the acquisition of select processing capabilities and defer others to a later date, as well as the potential for weaknesses in technology development to impact safety. The public hearing portion of this proceeding is authorized by 42 U.S.C. 2286b.

**CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION:** Debra Richardson, Deputy General Manager, Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board, 625 Indiana Avenue NW., Suite 700, Washington, DC 20004-2901, (800) 788-4016. This is a toll-free number.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Public participation in the hearing is invited. The Board is setting aside time at the end of each session of the hearing for presentations and comments from the public. Requests to speak may be submitted in writing or by telephone. The Board asks that commenters describe the nature and scope of their oral presentations. Those who contact the Board prior to close of business on September 28, 2012, will be scheduled to speak at the session of the hearing most relevant to their presentations. At the beginning of Session I, the Board will post a schedule for speakers at the entrance to the hearing room. Anyone who wishes to comment or provide technical information or data may do so in writing, either in lieu of, or in addition to, making an oral presentation. The Board Members may question presenters to the extent deemed appropriate. Documents will be accepted at the hearing or may be sent to the Board's Washington, DC, office. The Board will hold the record open until November 2, 2012, for the receipt of additional materials. The hearing will be presented live through Internet video streaming. A link to the presentation will be available on the Board's Web site ([www.dnfsb.gov](http://www.dnfsb.gov)). A transcript of the hearing, along with a DVD video recording, will be made available by the Board for inspection and viewing by the public at the Board's Washington, DC, office and at DOE's public reading room at the DOE Federal Building, 1000 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20585. The Board specifically reserves its right to further schedule and otherwise regulate the course of the meeting and hearing, to recess, reconvene, postpone, or adjourn the meeting and hearing, conduct further reviews, and otherwise exercise its power under the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended.

Dated: August 10, 2012.

**Peter S. Winokur,**  
*Chairman.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

### Notice of Proposed Information Collection Requests; Federal Student Aid; 2013-2014 Federal Student Aid Application

**AGENCY:** Department of Education.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** As required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice

requests comments on the 2013–2014 versions of the forms used by individuals applying for federal student aid including the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and the Student Aid Report (SAR).

**DATES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before October 15, 2012.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments may be submitted electronically by emailing *FAFSA.Comments@ed.gov*. Any comments received after this date will be retained for consideration in the next annual review of the federal student aid application.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Secretary is publishing this request for comment under the Provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.* Under that Act, the Department must obtain the review and approval of the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) before it may use a form to collect information. However, under procedure for obtaining approval from OMB, the Department must first obtain public comment of the proposed form, and to obtain that comment, the Department must publish this notice in the **Federal Register**. In addition to comments requested above, to accommodate the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act, the Secretary is interested in receiving comments with regard to the following matters: (1) Is this collection necessary to the proper functions of the Department, (2) will this information be processed and used in a timely manner, (3) is the estimate of burden accurate, (4) how might the Department enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected, and (5) how might the Department minimize the burden of this

collection on the respondents, including through the use of information technology.

**Request for Comments:** Comments should be submitted to the Department as indicated. All comments will become a matter of public record. Requests for copies of the proposed information collection request may be accessed from *http://edicsweb.ed.gov*, by selecting the “Browse Pending Collections” link and by clicking on link number 04899. When you access the information collection, click on “Download Attachments” to view. Written requests for information should be addressed to U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue SW., LBJ, Washington, DC 20202–4537. Requests may also be electronically mailed to *ICDocketMgr@ed.gov* or faxed to 202–401–0920. Please specify the complete title of the information collection when making your request. Comments regarding burden and/or the collection activity requirements should be electronically mailed to *ICDocketMgr@ed.gov*. Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1–800–877–8339 between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m. Eastern time, Monday through Friday.

**Title of Collection:** 2013–2014 Federal Student Aid Application.

**OMB Control Number:** 1845–0001.

**Type of Review:** Revision.

**Total Estimated Number of Annual Responses:** 46,099,008.

**Total Estimated Number of Annual Burden Hours:** 25,959,853.

**Abstract:** Section 483 of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended (HEA), mandates that the Secretary of Education “\* \* \* shall produce,

distribute, and process free of charge common financial reporting forms as described in this subsection to be used for application and reapplication to determine the need and eligibility of a student for financial assistance \* \* \*”.

The determination of need and eligibility are for the following Title IV, HEA, federal student financial assistance programs: the Federal Pell Grant Program; the Campus-Based programs (Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant, Federal Work-Study, and the Federal Perkins Loan Program); the William D. Ford Federal Direct Loan Program; the Teacher Education Assistance for College and Higher Education Grant; and the Iraq and Afghanistan Service Grant.

Federal Student Aid, an office of the U.S. Department of Education (hereafter “the Department”), subsequently developed an application process to collect and process the data necessary to determine a student’s eligibility to receive Title IV, HEA program assistance. The application process involves an applicant’s submission of the *Free Application for Federal Student Aid* (FAFSA). After submission of the FAFSA, an applicant receives a *Student Aid Report* (SAR), which is a summary of the data they submitted on the FAFSA. The applicant reviews the SAR, and, if necessary, will make corrections or updates to their submitted FAFSA.

The Department seeks OMB approval of all application components as a single “collection of information”. The aggregate burden will be accounted for under OMB Control Number 1845–0001. The specific application components, descriptions and submission methods for each are listed in Table 1.

TABLE 1—FEDERAL STUDENT AID APPLICATION COMPONENTS

Component	Description	Submission method
<b>Initial Submission of FAFSA</b>		
FAFSA on the Web (FOTW) .....	Online FAFSA that offers applicants a customized experience.	Submitted by the applicant via <i>www.fafsa.gov</i> .
FOTW—Renewal .....	Online FAFSA for applicants who have previously completed the FAFSA.	
FOTW—EZ .....	Online FAFSA for applicants who qualify for the Simplified Needs Test (SNT) or Automatic Zero (Auto Zero) needs analysis formulas.	Submitted through <i>www.fafsa.gov</i> for applicants who call 1–800–4–FED–AID.
FOTW—EZ Renewal .....	Online FAFSA for applicants who have previously completed the FAFSA and who qualify for the SNT or Auto Zero needs analysis formulas.	
FAFSA on the Phone (FOTP) .....	The Federal Student Aid Information Center (FSAIC) representatives assist applicants by filing the FAFSA on their behalf through FOTW.	
FOTP—EZ .....	FSAIC representatives assist applicants who qualify for the SNT or Auto Zero needs analysis formulas by filing the FAFSA on their behalf through FOTW.	

TABLE 1—FEDERAL STUDENT AID APPLICATION COMPONENTS—Continued

Component	Description	Submission method
FAA Access .....	Online tool that a financial aid administrator (FAA) utilizes to submit a FAFSA.	Submitted through <a href="http://www.faaaccess.ed.gov">www.faaaccess.ed.gov</a> by a FAA on behalf of an applicant.
FAA Access—Renewal .....	Online tool that a FAA can utilize to submit a Renewal FAFSA.	
FAA Access—EZ .....	Online tool that a FAA can utilize to submit a FAFSA for applicants who qualify for the SNT or Auto Zero needs analysis formulas.	
FAA Access—EZ Renewal .....	Online tool that a FAA can utilize to submit a FAFSA for applicants who have previously completed the FAFSA and who qualify for the SNT or Auto Zero needs analysis formulas.	
Electronic Other .....	This is a submission done by a FAA, on behalf of the applicant, using the Electronic Data Exchange (EDE).	The FAA may be using their mainframe computer or software to facilitate the EDE process.
PDF FAFSA or Paper FAFSA .....	The paper version of the FAFSA printed by the Department for applicants who are unable to access the Internet or the online PDF FAFSA for applicants who can access the Internet but are unable to complete the form using FOTW.	Mailed by the applicant.

**Correcting Submitted FAFSA Information and Reviewing FAFSA Information**

FOTW—Corrections .....	Any applicant who has a Federal Student Aid PIN (FSA PIN)—regardless of how they originally applied—may make corrections using FOTW Corrections.	Submitted by the applicant via <a href="http://www.fafsa.gov">www.fafsa.gov</a> .
Electronic Other—Corrections .....	With the applicant's permission, corrections can be made by a FAA using the EDE.	The FAA may be using their mainframe computer or software to facilitate the EDE process.
Paper SAR—This is a SAR and an option for corrections.	The full paper summary that is mailed to paper applicants who did not provide an e-mail address and to applicants whose records were rejected due to critical errors during processing. Applicants can write corrections directly on the paper SAR and mail for processing.	Mailed by the applicant.
FAA Access—Corrections .....	An institution can use FAA Access to correct the FAFSA ...	Submitted through <a href="http://www.faaaccess.ed.gov">www.faaaccess.ed.gov</a> by a FAA on behalf of an applicant.
Internal Department Corrections .....	The Department will submit an applicant's record for system-generated corrections.	There is no burden to the applicants under this correction type as these are system-based corrections.
FSAIC Corrections .....	Any applicant, with their Data Release Number (DRN), can change the postsecondary institutions listed on their FAFSA or change their address by calling FSAIC.	These changes are made directly in the CPS system by a FSAIC representative.
SAR Electronic (eSAR) .....	The eSAR is an online version of the SAR that is available on FOTW to all applicants with a PIN. Notifications for the eSAR are sent to students who applied electronically or by paper and provided an e-mail address. These notifications are sent by e-mail and include a secure hyperlink that takes the user to the FOTW site.	Cannot be submitted for processing.
SAR Acknowledgment .....	This is the condensed paper SAR that is mailed to applicants who applied electronically but did not provide an e-mail address and do not meet the criteria for a full paper SAR.	

This information collection also documents an estimate of the annual public burden as it relates to the application process for federal student aid. The Applicant Burden Model (ABM), measures applicant burden through an assessment of the activities each applicant conducts in conjunction with other applicant characteristics and in terms of burden, the average applicant's experience. Key determinants of the ABM include:

- The total number of applicants that will potentially apply for federal student aid;
- How the applicant chooses to complete and submit the FAFSA (e.g., by paper or electronically via FOTW);
- How the applicant chooses to submit any corrections and/or updates (e.g., the paper SAR or electronically via FOTW Corrections);
- The type of SAR document the applicant receives (eSAR, SAR acknowledgment, or paper SAR);
- The formula applied to determine the applicant's expected family contribution (full need analysis formula, Simplified Needs Test or Automatic Zero); and
- The average amount of time involved in preparing to complete the application.

The ABM is largely driven by the number of potential applicants for the application cycle. The total application projection for 2013–2014 is based upon two factors—estimates of the total enrollment in all degree-granting

institutions and the percentage change in FAFSA submissions for the last completed or almost completed application cycle. The ABM is also based on the application options available to students and parents. The Department accounts for each application component based on web trending tools, survey information, and other Department data sources.

For 2013–2014, the Department is reporting a net burden reduction of 3,398,000 hours. The reduction is a reflection of the effects of simplifying FAFSA on the Web, which is utilized by the majority of applicants who apply for aid. Simplification of the application is demonstrated by (1) the average completion times for initial submissions and; (2) fewer corrections being made to the application.

The projected average completion times for initial submissions has

decreased by 11 minutes for 2013–14. In data reported in the 2012–2013 supporting statement, first-time filers using FOTW would take approximately 1.30 hours (78 minutes) to submit an application. The data from 2011–12 indicate that the same user would be able to submit their application in 1.12 hours (67 minutes), reducing their burden by .18 hours (11 minutes).

Corrections are also projected to decrease by 760,696 responses for 2013–14. Fewer corrections mean that more comprehensive and accurate data was captured in the initial submission of the application.

Updated completion times were calculated for each component and have been used to estimate the burden, excluding the change in the applicant volume. The results demonstrate that the burden for all applicants would have decreased by almost 13 percent or

3,758,702 hours, if the application volume had remained constant.

If the Department had not simplified the application process, thus reducing the time required to complete the FAFSA, the new burden estimates would only need to account for the change in applicants. The 1.43% increase in applicants would result in an increase in burden of 347,945 hours.

Accounting for both the increase in total applicants and the decrease in individual applicant burden, the net change is an overall decrease of almost 12 percent or 3,398,000 hours. The following Table shows the net burden change and total cost for applicants. The change in total annual responses is also listed in the Table. Total annual responses include the original FAFSA submission and corrections.

TABLE 2—NET BURDEN CHANGE

	2012–2013	2013–2014	Change	% Change	Burden disposition
Accounting for change in applicant burden and change in applicants.					
Total Applicants .....	24,705,864	25,053,809	+347,945	+1.41	Net decrease in burden. The 1.41% increase in applicants is offset by the results of the simplification changes implemented by the Department. This has resulted in an overall decrease in burden of 11.57% or 3,397,545 hours.
Total Applicant Burden .....	29,357,853	25,959,853	– 3,398,000	– 11.6	
Total Annual Responses .....	46,447,024	46,099,007	– 348,017	– .75	
Cost for All Applicants .....	\$234,804.24	\$190,224.76	\$44,579.48	– 18.99	

The Department takes pride in the continued efforts to simplify the FAFSA submission process and the continued decrease in burden associated with the application process, even as the Department serves more students each year. The results confirm the significant improvements that have been made to the application process. The Department believes that these changes will lead to more students completing the FAFSA and will assist more students with their pursuit of postsecondary education through access to Title IV, HEA program assistance.

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Dated: August 2, 2012.

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**DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

**Notice of Proposed Information Collection Requests; Office of Vocational and Adult Education; Perkins Discretionary Grant Performance Report**

**SUMMARY:** The Perkins Discretionary Grant Performance Report will be used for interim and final performance reporting. The Perkins Discretionary Grant Performance Report form will also be used by grant recipients for other interim reporting such as quarterly or semi-annual performance and/or financial reporting.

**DATES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before October 15, 2012.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments regarding burden and/or the collection activity requirements should be electronically mailed to [ICDocketMgr@ed.gov](mailto:ICDocketMgr@ed.gov) or mailed to U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue SW., LBJ, Washington, DC 20202–4537. Copies of the proposed information collection request may be