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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) Guidelines for Compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)

1. The National Environmental Policy Act requires that potential environmental effects be considered with all major federal decisions. The *Base Realignment and Closure Guidelines for Compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act* will be followed for all Army BRAC 2005 actions. These Army guidelines are found electronically at <http://www.hqda.army.mil/acsimweb/brac/braco.htm> under the subcategory Environment.
2. The guidelines provide (1) comprehensive information in a simple, understandable, and manageable format suitable for use at all levels throughout the Army, (2) a standardized and streamlined process for BRAC NEPA analyses and (3) the roles and responsibilities at each participating level. Preparers of Army BRAC NEPA documents should closely follow the guidance and procedures presented in the guidelines. Major deviation requires the approval of Headquarters, Department of the Army.
3. Timely review of NEPA documents to meet BRAC completion goals is imperative. The review and approval protocols for BRAC NEPA documents are included in the guidelines. Documents will be available electronically, and reviews will be done concurrently. Each organization involved in a review will provide a single point of contact (POC) to the NEPA Support Team (NST) at the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Mobile District by 12 May 2006. The NST will prepare the document review schedule in coordination with the appropriate Army stakeholders.
4. The POC for the BRAC NEPA guidelines in the Army BRAC Division is Ms. Karen Wilson, DAIM-BD, (703) 602-2861, email: karen.wilson@hqda.army.mil. The NST POC is Dr. Neil Robison, (251) 690-3018, email: neil.d.robison@sam.usace.army.mil.


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