association, business, labor union, etc.). Therefore, you may want to review DOT’s complete Privacy Act Statement in the Federal Register published on April 11, 2000, (65 FR 19477) or view the Privacy Notice at www.regulations.gov before submitting any such comments.

Docket: For access to the docket or to read background documents, go to www.regulations.gov at any time or to Room W12–140 on the ground level of the DOT West Building, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC, between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

If you wish to receive confirmation of receipt of your written comments, please include a self-addressed, stamped postcard with the following statement: “Comments on PHMSA—2017–0094.” The Docket Clerk will date stamp the postcard prior to returning it to you via the U.S. mail.

Privacy Act Statement

DOT may solicit comments from the public regarding certain general notices. DOT posts these comments, without edit, including any personal information the commenter provides, to www.regulations.gov, as described in the system of records notice (DOT/ALL–14 FDMS), which can be reviewed at www.dot.gov/privacy.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For information about the meeting, contact Leigha Gooding by phone at 202–366–0667 or by email at leigha.gooding@dot.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

Section 19 of the Protecting our Infrastructure of Pipelines and Enhancing Safety Act of 2016 (Pub. L. 114–183) requires PHMSA to expand the definition of an Ecological resource USA (as defined in 49 CFR 195.6(b)) to include the Great Lakes, coastal beaches and marine coastal waters. All USAs are treated as high consequence areas (HCAs), which are subject to stricter safety and maintenance standards (such as 49 CFR 195.452). To address this mandate, PHMSA must define and map these areas. The focus of this one-day public meeting is to bring pipeline safety stakeholders together to discuss applicable definitions and available GIS data sources for Great Lakes, coastal beaches and marine coastal waters. Stakeholder feedback may inform future policy efforts impacting the definition of a Coastal Ecological USA.

II. Meeting Details and Agenda

The Coastal Ecological USA public meeting will include discussions from government and industry stakeholders on proposed definition, available GIS data sources, and how Coastal Ecological USA protect the public and environment through integrity management planning. The meeting will also include facilitated discussions with meeting participants and experts to understand additional perspectives on proposed definitions and recommended GIS data sources.

Issued in Washington, DC, on October 10, 2017, under authority delegated in 49 CFR 1.97.

Alan K. Mayberry,
Associate Administrator for Pipeline Safety.

SUMMARY: This notice announces an open meeting of the Community Development Advisory Board (the Advisory Board), which provides advice to the Director of the Community Development Financial Institutions Fund (CDFI Fund). The meeting will be open to the public via live webcast. The link to the live webcast can be found in the meeting announcement found at the top of www.cdfi.gov/cdab.

DATES: The meeting will be held from 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Eastern Standard Time on Thursday, November 16, 2017.

ADDRESSES: The Advisory Board meeting will be held in the Cash Room at the U.S. Department of the Treasury located at 1500 Pennsylvania Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20220.

Submission of Written Statements: Participation in the discussions at the meeting will be limited to Advisory Board members, Department of the Treasury staff, and certain invited guests. Anyone who would like to have the Advisory Board consider a written statement must submit it by 5:00 p.m. Eastern Standard Time on Tuesday, November 7, 2017. Send paper statements to Bill Luecht, Senior Advisor, Office of Legislative and External Affairs, CDFI Fund, 1500 Pennsylvania Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20220. Send electronic statements to AdvisoryBoard@cdfi.treas.gov.

In general, the CDFI Fund will make all statements available in their original format, including any business or personal information provided such as names, addresses, email addresses, or telephone numbers, for public inspection and photocopying at the CDFI Fund. The CDFI Fund is open on official business days between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. You can make an appointment to inspect statements by emailing AdvisoryBoard@cdfi.treas.gov. All statements received, including attachments and other supporting materials, are part of the public record and subject to public disclosure. You should only submit information that you wish to make publicly available.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Bill Luecht, Senior Advisor, Office of Legislative and External Affairs, CDFI Fund, 1500 Pennsylvania Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20220, (202) 653–0322 (this is not a toll free number) or AdvisoryBoard@cdfi.treas.gov. Other information regarding the CDFI Fund and its programs may be obtained through the CDFI Fund’s Web site at http://www.cdfifund.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 104(d) of the Riegle Community Development and Regulatory Improvement Act of 1994 (Pub. L. 103–325), which created the CDFI Fund, established the Advisory Board. The charter for the Advisory Board has been filed in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. App.), and with the approval of the Secretary of the Treasury.

The function of the Advisory Board is to advise the Director of the CDFI Fund (who has been delegated the authority to administer the CDFI Fund) on the policies regarding the activities of the CDFI Fund. The Advisory Board does not advise the CDFI Fund on approving or declining any particular application for monetary or non-monetary awards. The Advisory Board shall meet at least annually.

In accordance with section 10(a) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. 2 and the regulations thereunder, Bill Luecht, Designated Federal Officer of the Advisory Board, has ordered publication of this notice that the Advisory Board will convene an open meeting, which will be held in the Cash Room at the U.S. Department of the Treasury located at 1500 Pennsylvania Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20220, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Eastern Standard Time on Thursday, November 16, 2017. The room will accommodate up to 50 members of the public on a first-come, first-served basis.
Because the meeting will be held in a secure federal building, members of the public who wish to attend the meeting must register in advance. The link to the online registration system can be found in the meeting announcement found at the top of www.cdfifund.gov/cdab. The registration deadline is 11:59 p.m. Eastern Standard Time on Thursday, November 9, 2017. For entry into the building on the date of the meeting, each attendee must present his or her government issued ID, such as a driver’s license or passport, which includes a photo.

The Advisory Board meeting will include a report from the CDFI Fund Director on the activities of the CDFI Fund since the last Advisory Board meeting and on Fiscal Year 2018 priorities, and reports on recent third-party research conducted for the CDFI Fund.


Mary Ann Donovan,
Director, Community Development Financial Institutions Fund.

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DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY

Departmental Offices

Debt Management Advisory Committee Meeting

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. App. 2, 10(a)(2), that a meeting will be held at the Hay-Adams Hotel, 16th Street and Pennsylvania Avenue NW., Washington, DC, on October 31, 2017 at 9:30 a.m. of the following debt management advisory committee:


The agenda for the meeting provides for a charge by the Secretary of the Treasury or his designate that the Committee discuss particular issues and conduct a working session. Following the working session, the Committee will present a written report of its recommendations. The meeting will be closed to the public, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. App. 2, 10(d) and Public Law 103–202, § 202(c)(1)(B) (31 U.S.C. 3121 note).

This notice shall constitute my determination, pursuant to the authority placed in heads of agencies by 5 U.S.C. App. 2, 10(d) and vested in me by Treasury Department Order No. 101–05, that the meeting will consist of discussions and debates of the issues presented to the Committee by the Secretary of the Treasury and the making of recommendations of the Committee to the Secretary, pursuant to Public Law 103–202, § 202(c)(1)(B). Thus, this information is exempt from disclosure under that provision and 5 U.S.C. 552(b)(3)(B). In addition, the meeting is concerned with information that is exempt from disclosure under 5 U.S.C. 552(b)(9)(A). The public interest requires that such meetings be closed to the public because the Treasury Department requires frank and full advice from representatives of the financial community prior to making its final decisions on major financing operations. Historically, this advice has been offered by debt management advisory committees established by the several major segments of the financial community. When so utilized, such a committee is recognized to be an advisory committee under 5 U.S.C. App. 2, 3.

Although the Treasury’s final announcement of financing plans may not reflect the recommendations provided in reports of the Committee, premature disclosure of the Committee’s deliberations and reports would be likely to lead to significant financial speculation in the securities market. Thus, this meeting falls within the exemption covered by 5 U.S.C. 552(b)(9)(A).

Treasury staff will provide a technical briefing to the press on the day before the Committee meeting, following the release of a statement of economic conditions and financing estimates. This briefing will give the press an opportunity to ask questions about financing projections. The day after the Committee meeting, Treasury will release the minutes of the meeting, any charts that were discussed at the meeting, and the Committee’s report to the Secretary.

The Office of Debt Management is responsible for maintaining records of debt management advisory committee meetings and for providing annual reports setting forth a summary of Committee activities and such other matters as may be informative to the public consistent with the policy of 5 U.S.C. 552(b). The Designated Federal Officer or other responsible agency official who may be contacted for additional information is Fred Pietrangelo, Director for Office of Debt Management (202) 622–1876.


Fred Pietrangelo,
Director (for Office of Debt Management).

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Employees Whose Association With For-Profit Educational Institutions Poses No Detriment to Veterans

AGENCY: Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice of intent; withdrawal of notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) published a Notice of intent and request for comments in the Federal Register on September 14, 2017. This document withdraws the Notice of intent and request for comments that published in the Federal Register on September 14, 2017.

DATES: Effective October 16, 2017, the Notice of intent and request for comments published at 82 FR 43288, September 14, 2017 is withdrawn.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Christopher Britt, Office of General Counsel (02–EST), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20420, Christopher.britt@va.gov, 202–461–7637 (this is not a toll free number).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The VA published a Notice of intent and request for comments in the Federal Register on September 14, 2017, 82 FR 43288, that proposed issuance of a blanket waiver of the conflict of interest provisions of 38 U.S.C. 3683(a). This statute requires immediate dismissal from VA service of any officer or employee who has, while an officer or employee, owned any interest in, or received any wages, salary, dividends, profits, gratuities, or services from, any educational institution operated for profit in which an eligible person or veteran was using VA educational benefits. The document stated that the Secretary intended to waive the application of 38 U.S.C. 3683(a) for all VA employees who receive any wages, salary, dividends, profits, gratuities, or services from, or own any interest in, a for-profit educational institution in which an eligible person or veteran is pursuing a program of education using VA education benefits, as long as employees abided by the existing criminal conflict of interest laws and the Standards of Conduct for Employees of the Executive Branch, as the Secretary had determined that no detriment would result to the United States, veterans, or eligible persons from such activities.

Comments to the document were to be provided to the VA on or before October 16, 2017. The VA received a significant number of comments and has determined not to pursue implementation of the waiver as