

<http://www.epa.gov/sab>, and will include, for each candidate, the nominee's name and their biosketch. Public comments will be accepted for 21 calendar days on the Short List. During this comment period, the public will be requested to provide information, analysis or other documentation on nominees that the SAB Staff should consider in evaluating candidates for the Panel.

For the EPA SAB, a balanced advisory panel is characterized by inclusion of candidates who possess the necessary domains of knowledge, the relevant scientific perspectives (which, among other factors, can be influenced by work history and affiliation), and the collective breadth of experience to adequately address the charge. Public responses to the Short List candidates will be considered in the selection of the panel, along with information provided by candidates and information gathered by EPA SAB Staff independently on the background of each candidate (e.g., financial disclosure information and computer searches to evaluate a nominee's prior involvement with the topic under review). Specific criteria to be used in evaluating an individual subcommittee member include: (a) Scientific and/or technical expertise, knowledge, and experience (primary factors); (b) absence of financial conflicts of interest; (c) scientific credibility and impartiality; (d) availability and willingness to serve; and (e) ability to work constructively and effectively in committees.

Short List candidates will also be required to fill-out the "Confidential Financial Disclosure Form for Special Government employees Serving on Federal Advisory Committees at the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency" (EPA Form 3110-48). This confidential form, which is submitted by EPA SAB Members and Consultants, allows government officials to determine whether there is a statutory conflict between that person's public responsibilities (which includes membership on an EPA Federal advisory committee) and private interests and activities, or the appearance of a lack of impartiality, as defined by Federal regulation. The form may be viewed and downloaded from the following URL address: (<http://www.epa.gov/sab/pdf/epaform3110-48.pdf>). The Panel members will likely be asked to attend up to two public face-to-face meetings and several public conference call meetings over the anticipated course of the review.

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-7540-2]

### Availability of "Award of Grants and Cooperative Agreements for the Special Projects and Programs Authorized by the Agency's FY 2003 Appropriations Act"

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Notice of document availability.

**SUMMARY:** EPA is announcing availability of a memorandum entitled "Award of Grants and Cooperative Agreements for the Special Projects and Programs Authorized by the Agency's FY 2003 Appropriations Act." This memorandum provides information and guidelines on how EPA will award and administer grants for the special projects and programs identified in the State and Tribal Assistance Grants (STAG) account of the Agency's fiscal year (FY) 2003 Appropriations Act (Pub. L. 108-7). The STAG account provides budget authority for funding identified water, wastewater and groundwater infrastructure projects, as well as budget authority for funding the United States-Mexico Border program, the Alaska Rural and Native Villages program, the National Wastewater Treatment Demonstration Program, and the Long Island Sound Restoration Program. Each grant recipient will receive a copy of this document from EPA.

**ADDRESSES:** See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section for electronic access of the guidance memorandum.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Larry McGee, (202) 564-0619 or [mcgee.larry@epa.gov](mailto:mcgee.larry@epa.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The subject memorandum may be viewed and downloaded from EPA's homepage, <http://www.epa.gov/owm/mab/owm0322.pdf>.

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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### Science Advisory Board Staff Office; Notification of Upcoming Science Advisory Board Meetings of the Multimedia, Multipathway, and Multireceptor Risk Assessment (3MRA) Modeling System Panel

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The EPA Science Advisory Board (SAB) Staff Office announces four conference calls and two face-to-face SAB meetings of the Multimedia, Multipathway, and Multireceptor Risk Assessment (3MRA) Modeling System Panel.

**DATES:** August 15, 2003. A public teleconference call meeting of the 3MRA Panel will be held from 10 a.m. to 12 noon (Eastern Time).

August 26-27, 2003. A face-to-face meeting of the 3MRA Panel will be held from 9 a.m. August 26 to 4 p.m. August 27 (Eastern Time).

September 16, 2003. A public teleconference call meeting of the 3MRA Panel will be held from 3 to 5 p.m. (Eastern Time).

October 9, 2003. A public teleconference call meeting of the 3MRA Panel will be held from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. (Eastern Time).

October 28-30, 2003. A face-to-face meeting of the 3MRA Panel will be held from 9 a.m. October 28 to 4 p.m. October 30 (Eastern Time).

November 24, 2003. A public teleconference call meeting for the 3MRA Panel will be held from 1 to 4 p.m. (Eastern Time).

**ADDRESSES:** Participation in the four teleconference meetings will be by teleconference only. The meeting location for both face-to-face meetings of the 3MRA Panel will be in the greater Washington, DC. metropolitan area. The meeting location will be announced on the SAB Web site, <http://www.epa/sab> two weeks before the meeting.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Members of the public who wish to obtain the call-in number and access code to participate in the teleconference meetings may contact Ms. Sandra Friedman, EPA Science Advisory Board Staff, at telephone/voice mail: (202) 564-2526; or via e-mail at: [friedman.sandra@epa.gov](mailto:friedman.sandra@epa.gov), or Ms. Delores Darden, EPA Science Advisory Board Staff at telephone/voice mail: (202) 564-2282; or via e-mail at [darden.delores@epa.gov](mailto:darden.delores@epa.gov). Any member