

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**Department of the Army; Corps of Engineers****Availability of Draft Integrated Feasibility Report and Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement for the Upper Mississippi River—Illinois Waterway System Navigation Feasibility Study**

AGENCY: Department of the Army, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, DoD.

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: A Draft Integrated Feasibility Report and Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement was prepared to address the restructured Upper Mississippi River—Illinois Waterway System Navigation Feasibility Study. This document is available for interested persons to review and prepare comments on the draft. The purpose of this document is to provide a comprehensive documentation of the Upper Mississippi River—Illinois Waterway System Feasibility Study process and draft recommendations for action. The 9-Foot Channel Navigation Project, originally authorized in 1930, was reviewed for changed physical, economic, and environmental conditions that may warrant structural or non-structural modifications to reduce congestion of commercial navigation traffic and to enhance ecosystem restoration. This integrated report describes the plan formulation process, environmental impacts, and the draft preferred plan for this study. The original Notice of Intent for this project was published in the **Federal Register** on November 27, 1995 (60 FR 58339) and a revised Notice of Intent was published February 23, 2004 (69 FR 8185).

DATES: There will be a 70-day public review period for comments on this document. Comments will be accepted at the public hearings, by letter, or electronically at *DraftNavRptComments@usace.army.mil*. Comments must be received on or before July 30, 2004. See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section for public hearing dates and addresses.

ADDRESSES: Send written comments and suggestions or document requests concerning this proposed project: District Engineer, U.S. Army Engineer District, Rock Island, ATTN: CEMVR-PM-A (Jackson), Clock Tower Building—P.O. Box 2004, Rock Island, IL 61204-2004.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Questions about the proposed action

and Draft Integrated Feasibility Report and Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement can be answered by Mr. Kenneth Barr by telephone (309) 794-5349, or by mail: District Engineer, U.S. Army Engineer District, Rock Island, ATTN: CEMVR-PM-A (Barr), Clock Tower Building—P.O. Box 2004, Rock Island, IL 61204-2004.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Public hearings on the Draft Integrated Feasibility Report and Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement will be held on: June 7, 2004, at the Holiday Inn, 5202 Brady Street, Davenport, Iowa; June 8, 2004, at the Grand Harbor Resort and Waterpark—Grand River Center, 350 Bell Street, Dubuque, Iowa; June 9, 2004, at the Radisson Hotel La Crosse, 200 Harborview Plaza, La Crosse, Wisconsin; June 10, 2004, at the Minneapolis Airport Marriott, 2020 American Boulevard East, Bloomington, Minnesota; June 14, 2004, at the Hotel Pere Marquette, 501 Main Street, Peoria, Illinois; June 15, 2004, at the Stoney Creek Inn, 3809 East Broadway Street, Quincy, Illinois; June 16, 2004, at the St. Louis Airport Marriott, I-70 at Lambert Airport, St. Louis, Missouri; and June 17, 2004, at the Phoenix Park Hotel, 520 North Capital Street, NW., Washington, DC.

Public Hearing Schedule (all locations but Washington, DC)

2-4 p.m.—Informal Open House
4-5:30 p.m.—Dinner Break
5:30-6:30 p.m.—Registration
6:30-6:35 p.m.—Opening Remarks
6:35-6:50 p.m.—Presentation
6:50-9:30 p.m. (or later)—Public Hearing

Washington, DC, Schedule

1-3 p.m.—Informal Open House
3-6 p.m.—Registration, Opening Remarks, Presentation, and Public Hearing

This report can be downloaded at <http://www2.mvr.usace.army.mil/umr-iwwsns>. An electronic compact disc (CD) containing the report is available at no cost, and paper copies are available for \$34.90 per copy. Requests for copies (CD or paper) of the Draft Integrated Feasibility Report and Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement or to be placed on the mailing list should be sent to the address listed in the Addresses section of this notice.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**Department of the Army; Corps of Engineers****Intent To Prepare a Draft Environmental Impact Statement for the Peckman River Basin Flood Control and Ecosystem Restoration Project, Passaic and Essex Counties, NJ**

AGENCY: Department of the Army, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, DoD.

ACTION: Notice of intent.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps), New York District, is preparing a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS), in compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), which will lead to a NEPA document in accordance with Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) regulations, as defined and amended in 40 CFR parts 1500-1508 (promulgated pursuant to NEPA), Corps' principle and guidelines as defined in Engineering Regulations (ER) 1105-2 100, Planning Guidance Notebook, and ER 200-2-2, Procedures for Implementing NEPA, and other applicable Federal and State environmental laws for the proposed flood control and ecosystem restoration project in the Peckman River Basin located in Passaic and Essex Counties, NJ. The study area includes the Peckman River, which originates in the Town of West Orange, NJ, and flows northeasterly through the Borough of Verona, the Township of Cedar Grove, the Township of Little Falls, and the Borough of West Paterson to its confluence with the Passaic River.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Bobbi Jo McClain, Project Biologist, Planning Division, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New York District, 26 Federal Plaza, Room 2146, New York, NY, 10278-0090 at (212) 264-5818 or at *Bobbi.J.McClain@usace.army.mil*.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

1. This study is authorized by a U.S. House of Representatives' Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure Resolution, Docket Number 2644, adopted on June 21, 2000, reading: "Resolved by the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the United States House of Representatives, that the Secretary of the Army is requested to review the report of the Chief of Engineers on the Passaic River Mainstream project, New Jersey and New York, published as House Document 163, 101st Congress, 1st Session, and other reports to determine whether modifications of the recommendations contained therein are