

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**Department of the Army, Corps of Engineers****Notice of Availability of the Final Environmental Impact Statement, Dated April 2006, for Commercial Sand and Gravel Dredging Operations in the Allegheny and Ohio Rivers, PA**

AGENCY: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, DOD.

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Pittsburgh District (Corps) is issuing this notice to advise the public that a final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) has been completed and is available for review in compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). The overall purpose of the EIS is to evaluate the environmental consequences for issuing of Section 10 and 404 permits for Commercial Sand and Gravel Dredging in the Allegheny River (River Miles 0–69.5) and the Ohio River (River Miles 0–40).

DATES: Submit comments by May 22, 2006.

ADDRESSES: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Pittsburgh District; ATTN: Regulatory Branch; 1000 Liberty Avenue; Pittsburgh, PA 15222–4186. Comments may also be submitted by electronic mail to Scott.A.Hans@usace.army.mil.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Scott Hans, Pittsburgh District Regulatory Branch, at (412) 395–7154.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Corps circulated a draft Environmental Impact Statement on Commercial Sand and Gravel Dredging Operations for comment in June of 2002. Based on comments received and additional environmental review, a new alternative was developed. This alternative is identified as Alternative 3 in the final EIS, and is the selected or preferred alternative. Under this alternative the Corps could re-authorize Department of the Army permits to Hanson Aggregates PMA, Inc., Tri-State River Products, Inc., and Glacial Sand and Gravel Company for commercial dredging activities within portions of the Ohio and Allegheny Rivers within Pennsylvania. Such authorization would include new standard conditions and additional site specific conditions developed through an adaptive management process. Such conditions should avoid, minimize and mitigate for potential adverse environmental impacts associated with the dredging.

The EIS is available for review online at <http://www.lrp.usace.army.mil/>

sg_eis.htm. Printed and compact disc (CD) copies of the EIS are available for review at the following locations:

- U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Pittsburgh District, 2200 William S. Moorhead Federal Building, 1000 Liberty Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15222
- Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh, 4400 Forbes Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15213
- Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh, 5 Allegheny Square, Pittsburgh, PA 15212
- Oakmont Public Library, 700 Allegheny River Blvd., Oakmont, PA 15139
- Springdale Free Public Library, 331 School Street, Springdale, PA 15144
- People's Library, 3052 Wachter Avenue, New Kensington, PA 15068
- People's Library, 880 Barnes Street, New Kensington, PA 15068
- Community Library of Allegheny, 1522 Broadview Blvd., Natrona Heights, PA 15065
- Freeport Area Library, 428 Market Street, Freeport, PA 16229
- Ford City Public Library, 1136 4th Avenue, Ford City, PA 16226
- Kittanning Public Library, 280 N. Jefferson Street, Kittanning, PA 16201
- Sewickley Public Library, 500 Thorn Street, Sewickley, PA 15143
- Beaver Area Memorial Library, 100 College Avenue, Beaver, PA 15009
- Monaca Public Library, 609 Pennsylvania Avenue, Monaca, PA 15061
- Rochester Public Library, 252 Adams Street, Rochester, PA 15074
- New Brighton Public Library, 1021 3rd Avenue, New Brighton, PA 15066
- Baden Memorial Library, 385 State Street, Baden, PA 15005
- B. F. Jones Memorial Library, 663 Franklin Avenue, Aliquippa, PA 15001
- Carnegie Free Library, 61 9th Street, Midland, PA 15059
- Laughlin Memorial Free Library, 99 11th Street, Ambridge, PA 15003

A printed copy or CD of the EIS may be obtained by contacting Mr. Hans in writing at the mailing or electronic mail address provided above.

Dated: April 27, 2006.

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Federal Register Liaison Officer, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**Notice of Proposed Information Collection Requests**

AGENCY: Department of Education.

SUMMARY: The IC Clearance Official, Regulatory Information Management Services, Office of Management, invites comments on the proposed information collection requests as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before July 3, 2006.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35) requires that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) provide interested Federal agencies and the public an early opportunity to comment on information collection requests. OMB may amend or waive the requirement for public consultation to the extent that public participation in the approval process would defeat the purpose of the information collection, violate State or Federal law, or substantially interfere with any agency's ability to perform its statutory obligations. The IC Clearance Official, Regulatory Information Management Services, Office of Management, publishes that notice containing proposed information collection requests prior to submission of these requests to OMB. Each proposed information collection, grouped by office, contains the following: (1) Type of review requested, e.g. new, revision, extension, existing or reinstatement; (2) Title; (3) Summary of the collection; (4) Description of the need for, and proposed use of, the information; (5) Respondents and frequency of collection; and (6) Reporting and/or Recordkeeping burden. OMB invites public comment.

The Department of Education is especially interested in public comment addressing the following issues: (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.

Dated: April 26, 2006.

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Institute of Education Sciences

Type of Review: Reinstatement.

Title: Academic Libraries Survey: 2006–2008.

Frequency: Biennially.