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CELRC-PMD-EF

***This notification is a reissuing of a letter of availability that was released on 28 June 2019. The reason for this reissue is that a technical error on the Chicago District website caused the documents cited in this notification to be access-restricted and thus not available for public review during the stated window. The review period has been adjusted to provide a full 30-day opportunity for resource agencies and the public to provide comments.*

Dear Recipient:

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Chicago District, has prepared a draft Environmental Assessment (EA) titled, Waukegan Harbor Maintenance Dredging and Placement. The EA evaluates the potential effects of dredging clean littoral sand from the outer harbor, approach channel and advanced maintenance dredging area at Waukegan, Illinois with its placement in a variety of locations on or along the Lake Michigan Shoreline near Waukegan, Illinois. As part of the 30-day agency and public review period, the Chicago District would appreciate any comments or concerns you might have associated with this work. Comments could be made on any potential environmental effects of the Waukegan Harbor dredging from the outer harbor, approach channel and advanced maintenance dredging area and its placement along the Lake Michigan Shoreline. This document is available at:

<https://www.lrc.usace.army.mil/Missions/Civil-Works-Projects/>

It is located under "Projects in Alphabetical Order" on the left side of the page, titled "Waukegan Harbor Dredging" on the Civil Works Project Page.

A draft Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) along with the Section 404(b)(1) evaluation for the dredging and placement of material into the waters of the United States has been prepared to accompany the draft EA. The draft FONSI concludes that implementing the maintenance dredging from the outer harbor, approach channel and advanced maintenance dredging area and its placement on or along the Lake Michigan Shoreline does not constitute a major Federal action that significantly affects the quality of the human environment. Any comments you may have concerning the proposed project should be made within thirty (30) days from the date of receipt, but not later than 20 August 2019. Please direct your comments to: ATTN: CELRC-PMD-EF (John Belcik) at the address located at the top of this notice or by email to John.T.Belcik@usace.army.mil.

Any person who has an interest that may be affected by the dredging of the clean sand from the outer harbor, approach channel and advanced maintenance dredging area at

Waukegan Harbor area and the placement on or along the Lake Michigan Shoreline may request a public hearing. To be considered, the request must be submitted in writing to the contact provided above within the comment period of this notice. The request must clearly set forth the interest that may be affected and the manner in which the interest may be affected by this activity.

Following the comment period and a review of the comments received, the District Engineer will make a final decision regarding the necessity of preparing an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the proposed project. Based on the preliminary analyses completed, it does not appear that the proposed actions will result in significant impacts.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Susanne J. Davis". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Susanne J. Davis, P.E.
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