



US Army Corps
of Engineers
Portland District

PUBLIC NOTICE

Application for Permit

Issue Date: September 26, 2016

Expiration Date: October 27, 2016

US Army Corps of Engineers No: NWP-2016-151

Oregon Department of State Lands No: 58926

30-Day Notice

Interested parties are hereby notified the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Portland District (Corps) has received an application for a Department of the Army permit for certain work in waters of the United States, as described below and shown on the attached plans. The Corps is soliciting comments on the proposed work.

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Applicant's Agent: Ms. Steffanie Taylor
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Longview, WA 98632
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Location: The project site is located at 1190 SE 19th Street, in Warrenton, Clatsop County, Oregon. The site is in Section 27, Township 8 North, Range 10 West.
Latitude and Longitude: 46.142° North, 123.908° West

Waterway: Wetland R, which is a 1.04 acre depressional/slope wetland with forested, scrub-shrub, and emergent Cowardin classes. The wetland boundaries shown on the project drawings have not yet been verified by the Corps. If the Corps determines the boundaries of the wetland/waters are substantially inaccurate a new public notice may be published.

Project Purpose: The applicant's stated purpose is to provide a secondary access road to the existing Forest Rim subdivision, which is required for fire safety.

Project Description: The proposed project will extend SE Willow Drive and construct a new access road to the North River Homes subdivision. Impacts to waters of the United States would include the placement of approximately 1,213 cubic yards (CY) of soil, sand and gravel within 0.39 acre of the north end of Wetland R and approximately 922 CY of soil, sand and

gravel placed within 0.15 acre of the south end of Wetland R. The project would impact approximately 0.54 acres of wetland. All impacts would be permanent.

The project would start at SE 19th Street and extend approximately 840 feet to the south and would intersect with SE Willow Drive. Staging would be located in the upland field at the south end of the corridor. Vegetation would be cleared and grubbed from the entire corridor. The roadway would be 38 feet wide including the 6-foot paved and 1-foot wide gravel shoulders with 5-foot wide stormwater filter strips on either side of the road.

Two culverts would be installed to maintain hydraulic connectivity between the wetland on both sides of the road. A 69-foot, 18-inch diameter HDPE culvert would be installed at the northern end of the project and a 72-foot, 18-inch diameter HDPE culvert would be installed near the southern end of the project.

Approximately 260 feet of SE Willow Drive would also be improved as part of this project. The SE Willow Drive improvement would include widening the road to 26 feet with 1-foot gravel shoulders, and a 6-foot wide sidewalk. The road would be paved and runoff would be directed to stormwater filter strips and a bioswale for treatment prior to discharging into Wetland R.

Any bare areas that would not be paved or landscaped would be seeded with native grass seed.

Mitigation: The applicant proposes to avoid and minimize impacts from the project by constructing the road to the minimum width per city requirements, utilizing silt fencing, and checking equipment for fuel leaks prior to construction. The applicant has proposed purchasing mitigation credits from the Lower Columbia In-lieu fee site to offset wetland impacts. The Corps will determine the type and amount of compensatory mitigation necessary to offset environmental losses from the proposed project.

Drawings: 6 (six) drawings are attached and labeled Corps No. NWP-2016-151 Copies of this public notice, which have been mailed or otherwise physically distributed, feature project drawings in black and white. The electronic version features those drawings in color, which we think more accurately illustrates the proposed project. To access the electronic version of this public notice, go to the Portland District website at <http://www.nwp.usace.army.mil/> and select Regulatory Branch Permit Information. At the Regulatory page select Regulatory Public Notices.

Authority: The proposed project will be evaluated under the following:

Section 404, Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1344), for discharge of dredged or fill material into waters of the United States.

Clean Water Act Section 404(b)(1) Guidelines: The described discharge will be evaluated for compliance with guidelines promulgated by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency under authority of Section 404(b)(1) of the Clean Water Act. The 404(b)(1) Guidelines are the substantive criteria used in evaluating discharges of dredged or fill material into waters of the United States. The source of the fill material would be material reutilized onsite. If additional material is needed, it would be purchased from a local clean source.

Water Quality Certification: Section 401 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1341) requires applicants to obtain a water quality certification for proposed discharges into waters of the United States. A permit for the described work will not be issued until certification has been issued or is waived from the certifying state. Attached is the state's notice for a water quality certification.

Coastal Zone Management: Section 307(c) of the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1456(c)), requires non-Federal applicants seeking a federal license or permit to conduct any activity occurring in or affecting the coastal zone to obtain a Consistency Certification which indicates the activity conforms with the State's Coastal Zone Management Program. The applicant believes the proposed project would comply with and be conducted in a manner consistent with the Oregon Ocean and Coastal Management Program. Attached is the state's notice for a consistency determination.

Endangered Species: Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act (ESA) (16 U.S.C. 1536) requires federal agencies to consult with the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) and/or U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) on all actions that may affect a species listed (or proposed for listing) under the ESA as threatened or endangered or that may adversely modify designated critical habitat. The Corps' preliminary review indicates the described activity may affect an endangered or threatened species or designated critical habitat. The Corps will initiate consultation under Section 7 of the ESA. The Corps will complete the required consultation prior to finalizing a permit decision.

Essential Fish Habitat: Section 305(b)(2) of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (MSA) as amended (16 U.S.C. 1855), requires Federal agencies to consult with the NMFS on all actions, or proposed actions, permitted, funded, or undertaken by the agency, that may adversely affect Essential Fish Habitat (EFH). The Corps' preliminary review indicates the described activity would not adversely affect EFH at the project location or in its vicinity. The Corps will make a final determination on the need to consult on EFH after receipt of comments from this public notice including any comments provided by the NMFS.

Historic Properties/Cultural Resources: Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended (16 U.S.C. 470), requires Federal agencies to consult with the appropriate State and/or Tribal Historic Preservation Officer to take into account the effects of actions they undertake or permit on historic properties listed in or eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places. The Corps' preliminary review indicates that the described activity is not located on property registered or eligible for registration in the latest published version of the National Register of Historic Places. The permit area is likely to yield resources eligible for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places. An investigation for the presence of potentially eligible historic properties is justified and would be required prior to the Corps' final permit decision.

This notice has been provided to the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO), interested Native American Indian Tribes, and other interested parties. If you have information pertaining to cultural resources within the permit area, please provide this information to the Corps' project manager identified at the end of this notice to assist in a complete evaluation of potential effects.

Public Hearing: Any person may request in writing within the comment period specified in this notice that a public hearing be held to consider this application. Requests for public hearings shall state with particularity the reasons for holding a public hearing.

Evaluation: The decision whether to issue a permit will be based on an evaluation of the probable impact, including cumulative impacts, of the described activity on the public interest. That decision will reflect the national concern for both protection and utilization of important resources. The benefit, which reasonably may be expected to accrue from the described activity, must be balanced against its reasonably foreseeable detriments. All factors, which may be relevant to the described activity will be considered including the cumulative effects thereof; among those are conservation, economics, aesthetics, general environmental concerns, wetlands, historic properties, fish and wildlife values, flood hazards, floodplain values, land use, navigation, shoreline erosion and accretion, recreation, water supply and conservation, water quality, energy needs, safety, food and fiber production, mineral needs, consideration of property ownership and, in general, the needs and welfare of the people.

The Corps is soliciting comments from the public; Federal, state, and local agencies and officials; Indian Tribes; and other interested parties in order to consider and evaluate the impacts of the proposed project. Comments received will be considered by the Corps to determine whether to issue, modify, condition or deny a permit for this proposal. Comments are used in the preparation of an Environmental Assessment and/or an Environmental Impact Statement pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act. Comments are also used to determine the need for a public hearing.

Submitting Comments: Interested parties are invited to provide comments on the proposed project. Comments may be submitted by conventional mail or email. All comments received will be considered in determining whether authorizing the work would be contrary to the public interest.

Either conventional mail or e-mail comments must include the Corps reference number as shown on page 1 and include the commenter's name and address. In order to be accepted, e-mail comments must originate from the author's e-mail account and must include on the subject line of the e-mail message the Corps reference number. All comments received will become part of the administrative record and are subject to public release under the Freedom of Information Act including any personally identifiable information such as names, phone numbers, and addresses.

Additional information about the proposed project may be obtained from the Corps Project Manager listed below. All comments, whether by conventional mail or email, must be received no later than the expiration date of this public notice to ensure consideration. Comments should be submitted to the following mailing address or email address:

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
Regulatory Branch
Attn: Danielle Erb
P.O. 2946
Portland, Oregon 97208-2946
Email: Danielle.H.Erb@usace.army.mil
Telephone: (503) 808-4368

PUBLIC NOTICE
Oregon Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ)
Water Quality 401 Certification

Notice Issued: September 26, 2016
Written Comments Due: October 27, 2016

Corps of Engineers No: NWP-2016-151
Oregon Department of State Lands No: 58926

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LOCATION OF CERTIFICATION ACTIVITY: See attached U.S. Army Corps of Engineers public notice.

WHAT IS PROPOSED: See attached U.S. Army Corps of Engineers public notice on the proposed project.

NEED FOR CERTIFICATION: Section 401 of the Federal Clean Water Act requires applicants for Federal permits or licenses to provide the Federal agency a water quality certification from the State of Oregon if the proposed activity may result in a discharge to waters of the state.

DESCRIPTION OF DISCHARGES: See attached U.S. Army Corps of Engineers public notice on the proposed project.

WHERE TO FIND DOCUMENTS: Documents and materials related to water quality issues as a result of the proposal are available for examination and copying at Oregon Department of Environmental Quality, 401 Water Quality Certification Coordinator, Northwest Region, 700 NE Multnomah Street, Suite 600, Portland, Oregon 97232. Other project materials are available by contacting the Corps per the attached public notice.

Scheduling an appointment will ensure that water quality documents are readily accessible during your visit. To schedule an appointment please call DEQ Water Quality at Northwest Region at (503) 229-5263.

Any questions on the water quality certification process may be addressed to the 401 Program Coordinator at (503) 229-6030 or toll free within Oregon at (800) 452-4011. People with hearing impairments may call the Oregon Telecommunications Relay Service at 1-800-735-2900.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

Public Hearing: Oregon Administrative Rule (OAR) 340-48-0032 (2) states that “The Corps provides public notice of and opportunity to comment on the applications, including the application for certification, provided that the department (DEQ), in its discretion, may provide additional opportunity for public comment, including public hearing.”

Written comments:

Written comments on project elements related to water quality must be received at the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality by 5 p.m. on the date specified in the upper right section on page one of this notice. Written comments may be emailed, mailed or faxed as described below:

Email - 401publiccomments@deq.state.or.us

Mail - Oregon Department of Environmental Quality, Northwest Region
700 NE Multnomah Street, Suite 600
Portland, Oregon 97232
Attn: 401 Water Quality Certification Coordinator

Fax - (503) 229-6957

WHAT HAPPENS NEXT: DEQ will review and consider all comments received during the public comment period. Following this review, certification of the proposal may be issued as proposed, issued with conditions, or denied. You will be notified of DEQ's final decision if you submit comments during the comment period. Otherwise, if you wish to receive notification, please call or write DEQ at the above address.

ACCESSIBILITY INFORMATION: This publication is available in alternate format (e.g. large print, Braille) upon request. Please contact DEQ Office of Communications and Outreach at (503) 229-5317 or toll free within Oregon at 1-800-452-4011 to request an alternate format. People with a hearing impairment can receive help by calling the Oregon Telecommunications Relay Service at 1-800-735-2900.

PUBLIC NOTICE
OREGON OCEAN AND COASTAL MANAGEMENT PROGRAM
CONSISTENCY CERTIFICATION

Date: September 26, 2016

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers No: Corps No. NWP-2016-151
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NOTIFICATION:

For projects subject to coastal zone review, notice is hereby given that the project is being reviewed by the Department of Land Conservation and Development (DLCD) as provided in Section 307(c) of the Coastal Zone Management Act. The applicant believes that the activities described in the attached materials would comply with and be conducted in a manner consistent with the Oregon Ocean and Coastal Management Program. Project information can be made available for inspection at DLCD's Salem office.

DLCD is hereby soliciting public comments on the proposed project's consistency with the Oregon Coastal Management Program. Written comments may be submitted to DLCD, 635 Capital Street NE, Suite 150, Salem, Oregon 97301-2540. Comments may also be sent by fax to (503) 378-6033 or by email to coast.permits@state.or.us. All comments must be received by DLCD on or before the comment deadline listed in the accompanying Corps of Engineers' Public Notice Application for Permit. For further information, you may call DLCD at (503) 373-0050.

REVIEW CRITERIA:

Comments should address consistency with the applicable ***enforceable policies*** of the Oregon Coastal Management Program. These enforceable policies are found in the following:

- Acknowledged Local Comprehensive Plans & Implementing Ordinances
- Statewide Planning Goals
- Applicable State Authorities incorporated into the Oregon Coastal Management Program (e.g. Removal-Fill Law, Water Quality Standards, Beach Bill, etc.) as applicable.

A list of specific enforceable policies can be found at the following link:

http://www.oregon.gov/LCD/OCMP/Pages/OCMP_Enforceable-Policies.aspx

INCONSISTENT?

If you believe this project is inconsistent with the Oregon Coastal Management Program, your comments to DLCD should explain why you believe the project is inconsistent and should identify the Oregon Coastal Management Program element(s) in question. You should also describe how the project could be modified, if possible, to make it consistent with the Oregon Coastal Management Program.