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CLOSING DATE: *February 18, 2003*

REFERENCE NUMBER: **NWPOP-CRA-F03-001 (Addendum)**
Maintenance Dredging at the Mouth of the Columbia River

This addendum dated January 15, 2003, clarifies the description of the Deep Water Site and the public hearing start time:

Deep Water Site. This site is located approximately 6 miles from River Mile 0 off the coast of Oregon. The EPA intends to designate the entire site as an ODMDS. Once EPA designates the site, the Corps will use it as one of the alternatives for maintaining the MCR Project. The Corps will use a portion of this proposed site (*roughly 7000 feet by 7000 feet*) under its Section 103 authority until the EPA designation under Section 102 is completed. This area is necessary to ensure capacity to meet disposal needs until EPA completes site designation for the larger site. The Deep Water Site will be used conservatively. Use of the site is expected to occur when the other disposal sites have been used to the maximum extent practicable or when inclement weather conditions eliminate the safe use of the other disposal sites. *Placement of dredge material would occur within a smaller 3,000 X 3000 foot (207 acres) "drop zone" area so that material does not leave the larger 7000 X 7000 foot site boundaries as sand is dispersed from the dredge through the water column. The quantity of material placed in this area would be determined by the amount of shoaling and capacity and availability of other sites planned for use. This site will be used conservatively to accommodate capacity that other sites are not able to take and in the event weather conditions mandate the use of the site to ensure safety during the dredging deposition.*

PUBLIC HEARING: . . . The hearing is scheduled to be held in the Ilwaco Heritage Museum, 115 SE Lake Street, Ilwaco, Washington, at 6:30 **PM** on February 5th, 2003. . .