



US Army Corps  
of Engineers  
Portland District

# PUBLIC NOTICE

## ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

### WESTPORT SLOUGH, OREGON, CHANNEL DEEPENING CLATSOP COUNTY, OREGON

CENWP-PM-E-07-04

Issue Date: August 28, 2007

Expiration Date: September 28, 2007

### 30 Day Notice

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Interested parties are hereby notified that the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (COE), Portland District, proposes to perform work in the navigable waters of this District under the Provisions of Section 404 of the Clean Water Act of 1977 and in accordance with Regulation 33 CFR parts 335-338. This work includes dredging at the mouth of Westport Slough located on the Oregon side of the Columbia River at River Mile (RM) 43.5. The Westport Slough project was originally authorized in 1937 for a channel 28 feet deep. In the past, the Westport Slough channel has been maintained to 12 feet (10 feet plus 2 feet advance maintenance). The Corps is proposing to dredge the entrance of the Westport Slough to a depth of 22 feet (20 feet plus 2 feet advance maintenance) below Columbia River Datum (CRD) because of recent changes in the need for a deeper channel.

**Environmental Documents:** A draft Environmental Assessment addressing the impacts associated with the activity is available for public review and comment on the Corps website at <http://www.nwp.usace.army.mil/pm/e>

**State Water Quality Certification:** State Water Quality Certification, pursuant to Section 401 of the Clean Water Act, is hereby being requested from the State of Oregon, Department of Environmental Quality.

**Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972:** Not Applicable.

**Additional Information and Comments:** Questions or comments regarding the environmental documents should be directed to Carolyn Schneider, Environmental Resources Branch, telephone (503) 808-4770, or at the address below. Comments on this notice must be mailed by the above close date to:

District Engineer  
U.S. Army Corps of Engineer District, Portland  
Attn: CENWP-PM-E  
P.O. Box 2946  
Portland, Oregon 97208-2946

In your response, please refer to the above public notice number, title and date.

Should no response be received by the above closing date, a "no comment" response will be assumed.