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Portland District

PUBLIC NOTICE

SUPPLEMENTAL ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

TILLAMOOK NORTH JETTY CAPPING PROJECT

TILLAMOOK COUNTY, OREGON

CENWP-PM-E-08-05

Issue Date: May 27, 2008

Expiration Date: June 26, 2008

30 Day Notice

Interested parties are hereby notified that the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (COE), Portland District, proposes to procure and deliver rock for future capping of the Tillamook north jetty. The purpose of the proposed action is to procure and deliver rock to a storage area located to the north and adjacent to the north jetty. This stone will be used to cap the north jetty when funding becomes available. The capping is necessary to prevent further deterioration and subsequent loss of the jetty head. The north jetty has lost an estimated 84 feet of length since 2007. Continued deterioration of the jetty head could destabilize the navigation project at Tillamook.

This supplement to the environmental assessment addresses changes to the proposed action since completion of the Major Maintenance Study Environmental Assessment in 2004. The original environmental assessment proposed barging jetty stone to the project for capping of the north jetty. Due to funding and timing, it is now being proposed to truck and temporarily store jetty stone adjacent to the jetty until funding is available to cap the jetty.

In accordance with the Council on Environmental Quality's National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) regulations [Federal Register 40 CFR 1508.9(a)], a draft Environmental Assessment (EA) is prepared by a federal agency when a proposed action is not covered by a categorical exclusion or otherwise exempt from NEPA. Federal agencies use the EA to determine whether the proposed action has the potential to cause significant environmental effects and an Environmental Impact Statement is warranted.

Environmental Documents: The draft Supplemental Environmental Assessment addressing the impacts associated with the activity is available for public review and comment on the Corps' website at www.nwp.usace.army.mil/pm/e.

State Water Quality Certification: State Water Quality Certification, pursuant to Section 401 of the Clean Water Act, was received from the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality on July 8, 2004. The water quality certificate will expire on July 8, 2009. A new or amended water quality certificate will be requested prior to jetty capping activities, anticipated to occur in 2011.

Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972: The Oregon Department of Land Conservation and Development issued a letter of concurrence with the Corps' consistency determination report on July 1, 2004. The project changes described in the supplemental EA will not have substantially different effects on coastal uses and resources and does not require additional coordination with DLCD.

Additional Information and Comments: Questions or comments regarding the environmental documents should be directed to Wendy Briner, Environmental Resources Branch, telephone (503) 808-4781, 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.