

## **Public Notice**

FILE NUMBER: MVM 2023-264

NOTICE DATE: October 2, 2023

Attn: Postmaster, Please Post Until EXPIRATION DATE: November 1, 2023

## Public Notice U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

**AUTHORITY:** Pursuant to 33 CFR 325, as published in the Federal Register dated November 13, 1986, this notice announces an application submitted for a Department of the Army Permit under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act and Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899. The authority to grant permission for temporary or permanent alterations of any U.S. Army Corps of Engineers federally authorized civil works project is contained in Section 14 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899 and codified in 33 USC 408.

## **APPLICANT:**

United States Coast Guard, CEU Miami Attn: Michael J. Lesinski 15608 SW 117<sup>th</sup> Avenue Miami, Florida 33177

**PURPOSE:** The purpose of the project is to conduct maintenance dredging to provide adequate navigational depth, to coincide with the Corps of Engineer's maintenance dredging depth, for mooring at the existing Coast Guard Station. Maintenance dredging could occur annually.

**LOCATION:** The proposed project is located at the Coast Guard Station in Obion Creek, Hickman, Fulton County, Kentucky. The approximate latitude and longitude of the project are N36.5712°, W89.2013°, respectively. The project area is shown on the Hickman, Kentucky, USGS topographic quadrangle and is shown on the attached location map (Attachment 1).

**DESCRIPTION OF WORK:** The proposed project entails maintenance dredging at the Coast Guard Station which is being used by the U.S. Coast Guard Cutter (CGC) Chena. Approximately 29,000 cubic yards of recently accumulated silt and sediment will be removed from an area approximately 270' in length by 75' in width (0.46 acres), as shown on Attachments 2 and 3. The applicant proposes to dredge to -10 (Mean Lower Low Water datum) with 1-foot of allowable depth. Material would be dredged using a hydraulic dredge. Dredged material will be transported through a floating pipe to an open water placement area within the Mississippi River, approximately 900 feet north of Elvis Stahr Harbor at coordinates N36.56988°, W89.21607°, as shown on Attachment 2.

The applicant has requested authorization to conduct maintenance dredging over a 10-year period. Maintenance dredging could be repeated, as necessary, throughout the authorization period.

**AVOIDANCE/MINIMIZATION:** The applicant proposes to only dredge the minimum amount of material required to meet their stated project purpose.

**MITIGATION:** The applicant did not propose compensatory mitigation for the activity.

**ENDANGERED SPECIES:** A review of U.S. Fish and Wildlife's (USFWS) IPaC website indicates the following species could potentially be affected by the proposed activity: Gray bat, Indiana bat, northern long-eared bat, alligator snapping turtle, pallid sturgeon and the fat pocketbook. This notice is being coordinated with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. Any comments USFWS may have regarding endangered or threatened wildlife or plants or their critical habitat will be considered in our evaluation of the described work.

**CULTURAL RESOURCES:** In compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (NHPA), as amended, the United States Coast Guard (USCG) is the designated lead federal agency as outlined in 36 CFR 800.2(a)(2). The USCG is coordinating with the Memphis District to solicit comments from federal, state, and local agencies, federally-recognized American Indian Tribes, the public, and other interested parties in order to identify and evaluate potential impacts of the proposed action on historic properties.

**WATER QUALITY CERTIFICATION:** The Clean Water Act (CWA) Section 401 Certification Rule (Certification Rule, 40 CFR 121), effective September 11, 2020, requires certification for any license or permit that authorizes an activity that may result in a discharge. The scope of a CWA Section 401 certification is limited to assuring that a discharge from a federally licensed or permitted activity will comply with water quality requirements. The applicant has requested Section 401 Water Quality Certification to the Kentucky Division of Water, Water Quality Certification Section.

**FLOODPLAIN:** In accordance with 44 CFR Part 60 (Floodplain Management and Use), participating communities are required to review all proposed development to determine if a flood plain development permit is required. Floodplain administrators should review the proposed public notice and notify this office of any flood plain development permit requirements.

**PUBLIC INTEREST REVIEW:** The purpose of this public notice is to advise all interested parties of the activities for which a permit is sought and to solicit comments and information necessary to evaluate the probable impact on the public interest.

The decision whether to issue a permit will be based on an evaluation of the probable impact including cumulative impacts of the activity on the public interest. That decision will reflect the national concern for both protection and utilization of important resources. The benefits which reasonably may be expected to accrue from the project must be balanced against its reasonably foreseeable detriments. All factors which may be relevant to the project 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, considerations of property ownership and in general, the needs and welfare of the people.

The Corps of Engineers is soliciting comments from the public; federal, state, and local agencies and officials; federally recognized Indian Tribes; and other interested parties in order to consider and evaluate the impacts of this proposed activity. Any comments received will be considered by the Corps of Engineers to determine whether to issue, modify, condition or deny a permit for this proposal. To make this decision, comments are used to assess impacts on endangered species, historic properties, water quality, general environmental effects, and the other public interest factors listed above. 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 and to determine the overall public interest of the proposed activity.

**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 a public hearing shall state, with particularity, the reason for holding a public hearing. The District Engineer will determine if the issues raised are substantial and whether a hearing is needed for making a decision. If a public hearing is held, it will be for the purpose of obtaining additional information that we could not otherwise obtain through a public notice process; not to inform the public about the specific details of the project in greater detail than what is found in this notice. This is not a Corps of Engineers project. We are not a proponent nor are we an opponent of the project. We are merely the permitting authority of Section 404 and Section 10 permits required by our office.

**COMMENTS:** To request additional information or provide comments on this notice, please contact Mitch Elcan using the information below:

U.S. Army Engineer District - Memphis

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Comments may be sent via mail or email. The Corps of Engineers may provide copies of all comments, (including name & address of those providing comments) to the applicant for consideration and response prior to a decision. Comments must be received by the expiration date listed on page one of this notice.

For Final Individual Permits actions in the Memphis District, go to the following link: <a href="https://www.mvm.usace.army.mil/About/Offices/Regulatory/Public-Notices/">https://www.mvm.usace.army.mil/About/Offices/Regulatory/Public-Notices/</a>. Using the Filter by District drop down box, select MVM-Memphis District, then select the year and month (information will populate in the table below). All pending individual permits can be located by selecting the "Pending IP" tab above. All of the environmental documents and statements of findings supporting issuance or denial of the permit decisions are available upon written request and where applicable, upon the payment of administrative fees. They are also available at the Memphis District, Regulatory Division office for examination.

Gregg W. Williams Chief Regulatory Division

Attachments

U.S. COAST GUARD CIVIL ENGINEERING UNIT MIAMI

DRAWING INDEX SHEET TITLE SHEET# COVER SHEET DISPOSAL SITE PLAN DREDGING PLAN

DRAWING SYMBOLS

— CENTERLINE OF CHANNEL

COORDINATE GRID LINE

HYDROGRAPHIC SPOT ELEVATION

**ABBREVIATIONS** 

MAXIMUM

NO., # NUMBER O.C. ON CENTER

PVMT. PAVEMENT REINF. REINFORCING REQ'D REQUIRED

TYPICAL

**IVAN MARQUEZ** 

EVA I. PORRAS BRANCH CHIEF

PROJECT ENGINEER

MICHAEL J. LESINSKI TECHNICAL DIRECTOR

UNITED STATES TEMPORARY BENCH MARK

---- EXISTING CONTOUR

---- WATER'S EDGE

BUILDING
COAST GUARD
CORP OF ENGINEERS
CONCRETE

CONTINUOUS

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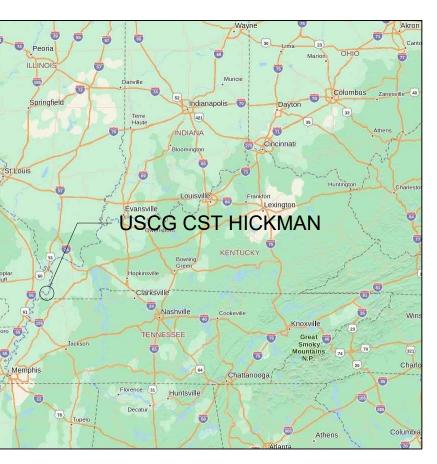


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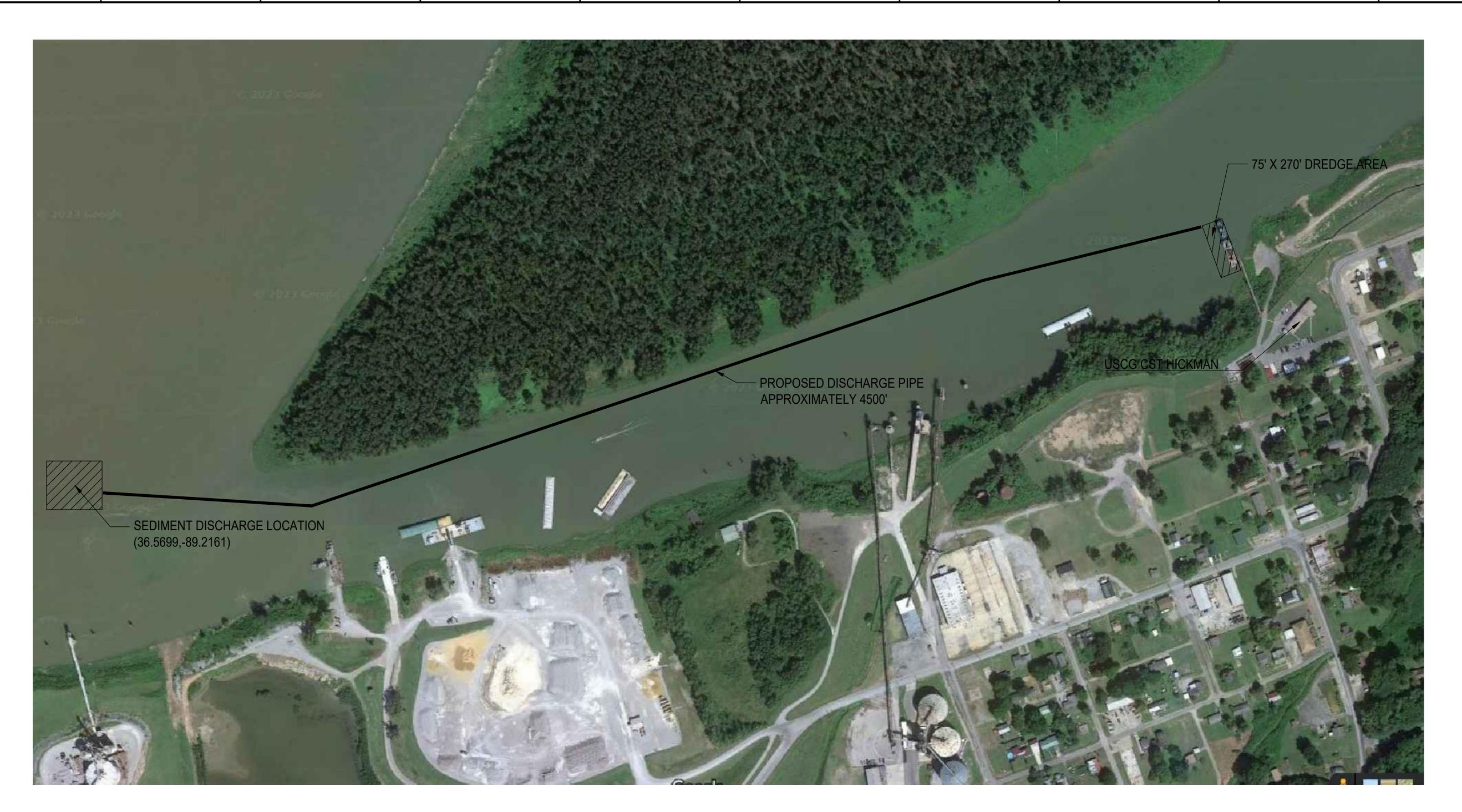
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VICINITY MAP SCALE: NTS



**LOCATION MAP** SCALE: NTS

Attachment 1.



PLAN VIEW

SCALE: 1" = 200'



Attachment 2.

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