



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY  
U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS, LITTLE ROCK DISTRICT  
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Regulatory Division

**ACTION NO. SWL-2025-00025**

Dear Tribal Members and Tribal Government Representatives:

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Little Rock District (Corps) requests comments from your Tribal Government regarding a permit request from Mitico, LLC for authorization for the establishing forested and emergent wetland habitats at the proposed mitigation bank site. The proposed mitigation site will restore and protect 1.8 acres of forested wetlands and 23.2 acres of emergent wetlands, generating 112.86 wetland credits. These restored habitats will reduce nutrient pollution and runoff into the Black River Watershed while supporting a diverse community of native plants. Wetland habitats will support native wildlife including species of conservation concern found in the service area, and the restored wetland hydrology will help reduce the impact of future flood events on areas downstream along and the Black River. Enclosed is the Public Notice detailing the project. The lead Federal agency for this project will be Corps of Engineers Little Rock District. The project is located in Black River, in the SE 1/4 of section 25, T. 24 N, R. 6 E, SE of Poplar Bluff, Butler County, Missouri.

Please contact Michael Gala, Project Manager, at (870) 571-3817 or via email at [Michael.R.Gala@usace.army.mil](mailto:Michael.R.Gala@usace.army.mil), if any information is needed to aid in your review of this project and the information will be submitted to your office. We respectfully request that you provide any input or information your Tribal Government may have by 30 days from the date of this letter. If a response is not received by this date, the Corps will proceed with this evaluation.

Sincerely,

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Enclosures

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