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of Engineers
Memphis District

Public Notice

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EXPIRATION DATE:
July 20, 2015

Joint Public Notice
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
and
Commonwealth of Kentucky

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 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899 and Section 404 of the Clean Water Act.

APPLICANT:

Mr. Andrew Bobick
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PURPOSE: The applicant proposes to perform maintenance dredging at the Coast Guard Facility within Elvis Star Harbor (Hickman Harbor) for the Coast Guard Cutter CHENA.

LOCATION: The project is located in Fulton County, Kentucky, on the south bank of Hickman Harbor at Mississippi River Mile 921.5, at approximate coordinates N36.5708° / W-892003,° as shown on the attached map. (Attachment 1).

DESCRIPTION OF WORK: The project is to perform maintenance dredging on an as-needed basis to provide adequate navigational depth for the Coast Guard Cutter CHENA. The area dredged will be approximately 80 feet X 55 feet to maintain the allowable depth (10 feet +1 below LWRP). The site has previously been dredged. Dredged material will be transported through a pipe-line supported by pontoons to an area 900 feet south of Hickman Harbor. Approximately 83 cubic yards of material may be dredged.

AVOIDANCE/MINIMIZATION: The minimum required area will be dredged.

WATER QUALITY CERTIFICATION: By copy of this public notice, the applicant is requesting water quality certification from the Commonwealth of Kentucky that the activity will be in accordance with Section 401 (a)(1) of the Clean Water Act and all state laws and regulations promulgated pursuant. A determination concerning deposition of material will not be made, nor will deposition commence, until water quality certification or waiver of the right to certify is obtained. The Corps of Engineers' evaluation of the impact of the activity on the public interest will include application of the guidelines promulgated by the Administrator, EPA, under authority of Section 404(b) of the Clean Water Act.

ENDANGERED SPECIES: The interior least tern (*Sterna antillarum athalassos*), Bald Eagle (*Haliaeetus leucocephalus*), (pallid sturgeon (*Scaphirhynchus albus*), Relic darter (*Etheostoma chienense*) Indiana bat (*Myotis sodalis*), and Northern long-eared bat (*Myotis septentrionalis*) are listed as endangered or proposed endangered by U.S. Fish and Wildlife (FWS) in Fulton County, Kentucky. This application is being coordinated with FWS. Any comments

they 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: The Memphis District will evaluate information provided by the State Historic Preservation Officer and the public in response to this public notice and we may conduct, or require a survey of the project area.

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 floodplain 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 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 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 Randy Clark using the information below:

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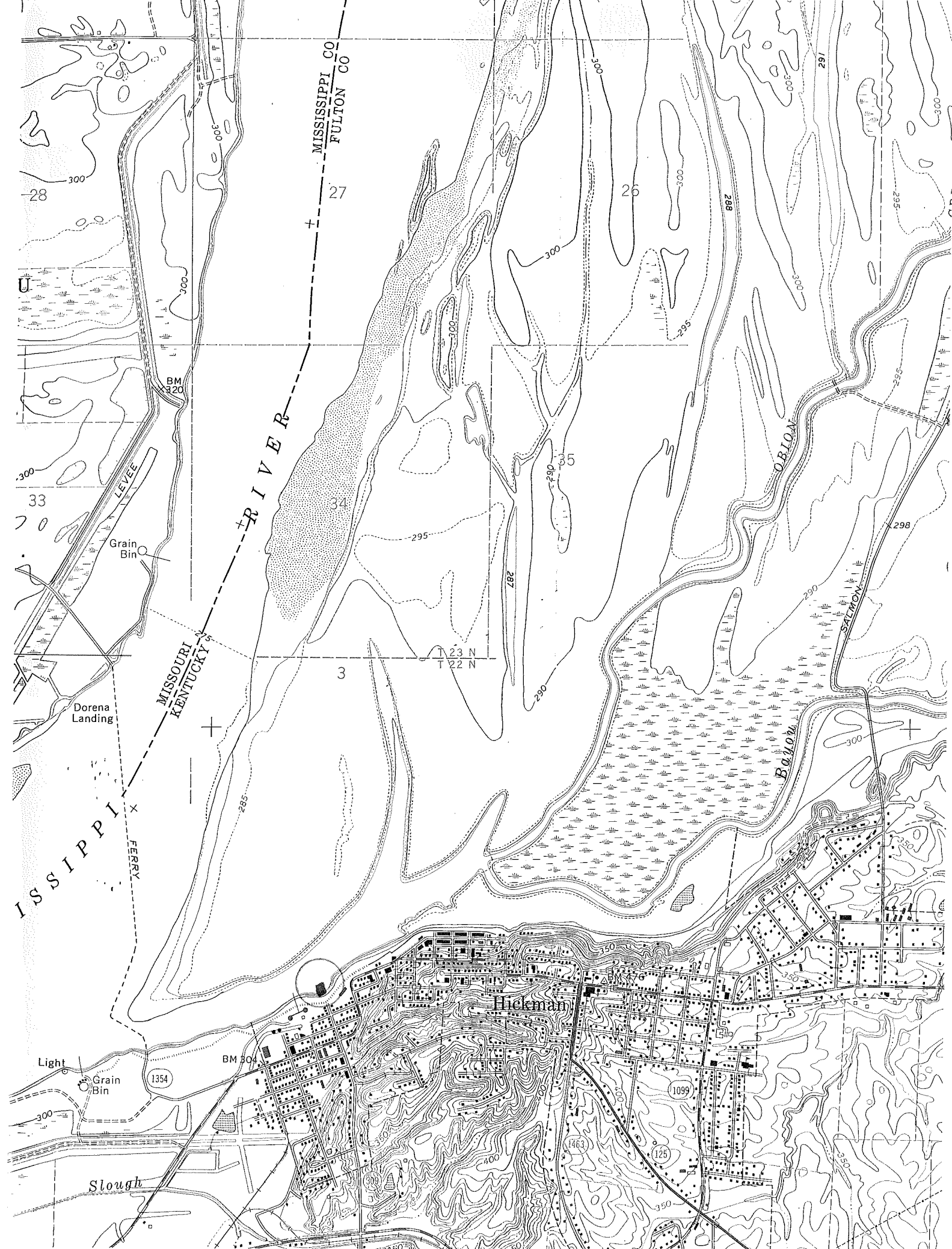
Comments may be sent via mail or E-mail. The Corps may provide copies of all comments, (including name & address of those providing comments) to the applicant for consideration and response prior to a decision. Comments must be received by the expiration date listed on page one of this notice.

For Final Individual Permits actions in the Memphis District, go to the following link: <http://geo.usace.army.mil/egis/f?p=340:2:0::NO:RP>. 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 Branch office for examination.



Gregg Williams
Chief
Regulatory Branch


Attachments



U. S. Coast Guard

Write a description for your map.

Legend

 Hickman, KY

Approximate
Project Area

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Hall St

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200 ft

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