



Public Notice

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Reply To:
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
Attn: CEMVS-OD-F
1222 Spruce Street
St. Louis, Missouri 63103-2833

Public Notice No.
P-2710
Public Notice Date
April 9, 2009
Expiration Date
April 30, 2009

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File Number: MVS-2009-199

Interested parties are hereby notified that an application has been received for a Department of the Army permit for certain work in waters of the United States, as described below and shown on the attached maps.

COMMENTS AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: Comments on the described work should reference the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers File Number shown above and must reach this office no later than the above expiration date of the Public Notice to become part of the record and be considered in the decision. Comments should be mailed to the following address:

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
Regulatory Branch (OD-F)
1222 Spruce Street
St. Louis, Missouri 63103-2833
ATTN: Tyson Zobrist

APPLICANT: Patzius Company, Attention: Mr. John Patzius, 560 Scranton, Riverview, MO 63137

LOCATION: The proposed mooring site is located at Latitude 38.4354608 North, Longitude -90.1241309 West, Township 46 North, Range 07 East, St. Louis City, Missouri. The existing mooring structure is located on the right descending bank of the Mississippi River at river mile 187.7.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The applicant seeks authorization for the permanent mooring of the USS Inaugural, a decommissioned World War II minesweeper, along the right descending bank of the Mississippi River at river mile 187.7. The ship will be permanently moored on the west side of an existing twenty foot diameter mooring cell previously owned by the Portland Cement Company and has since been purchased by the City Museum in St. Louis, Missouri. The mooring cell is one in a series of four cells formally used for the mooring of barges at the Portland Cement Company's loading and unloading facility. The proposed mooring cell for this project is positioned on the downstream end of this series of cells. The ship will be secured to the mooring cell with one and a quarter inch barge cables allowing the ship to adjust with rising and falling river levels. This 530 ton ship is 184 feet 6 inches in length and has a beam width of 33 feet. Once the ship is secured to the cell it will sit approximately 140 feet off the right descending bank of the Mississippi River. The historic USS Inaugural will be placed on display at this location to be viewed by the public.

LOCATION MAPS AND DRAWINGS: See Attachments 1 and 2.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: Additional information may be obtained by contacting Tyson Zobrist, Project Manager, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, at (314) 331-8578. Your inquiries may also be sent by electronic facsimile to (314) 331-8741 or by e-mail to Tyson.j.zobrist@usace.army.mil.

AUTHORITY: This permit will be processed under Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899 (33 U.S.C. 403).

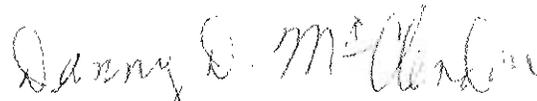
PUBLIC HEARING: Any person may request, in writing, within the comment period specified in this notice, that a public hearing be held to consider the applicant's proposal. Any request for a public hearing shall state, with particularity, the reason for the hearing, and must be based on issues that would warrant additional public review.

ENDANGERED SPECIES: A preliminary determination, in compliance with the Endangered Species Act, as amended, has been made that the work that is proposed would not affect species designated as threatened or endangered, or adversely affect critical habitat. Therefore, no formal consultation request has been made to the United States Department of Interior, Fish and Wildlife Service. In order to complete our evaluation, comments are solicited from the Fish and Wildlife Service and other interested agencies and individuals through this Public Notice.

CULTURAL RESOURCES: The St. Louis District will evaluate information provided by the State Historic Preservation Officer and the public in response to this public notice and we may require a reconnaissance survey of the project area.

EVALUATION: The decision whether to issue a permit will be based on an evaluation of the probable impact including cumulative impacts of the described activity on the public interest. That decision will reflect the national concern for both protection and utilization of important resources. The benefit that may reasonably be expected to accrue from the described activity must be balanced against its reasonably foreseeable detriments. All factors, which may be relevant to the activity described, will be considered including the cumulative effects. Among factors considered are: conservation; economics; aesthetics; general environmental concerns; wetlands; historic properties; fish and wildlife values; flood hazards; flood plain values; land use; navigation; shoreline erosion and accretion; recreation; water supply and conservation; water quality; energy needs; safety; food and fiber production; mineral needs; consideration of property ownership; and in general the needs and welfare of the people.

SOLICITATION OF COMMENTS: The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers is soliciting comments from the public; Federal, state, and local agencies and officials; Indian Tribes; and other interested parties in order to consider and evaluate the impacts of the proposed activity. Any comments received will be considered by the U.S. Army 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 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.



DANNY D. MCCLENDON
Chief, Regulatory Branch

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It is requested that this notice be conspicuously and continually placed for 21 days from the date of this issuance of this notice.

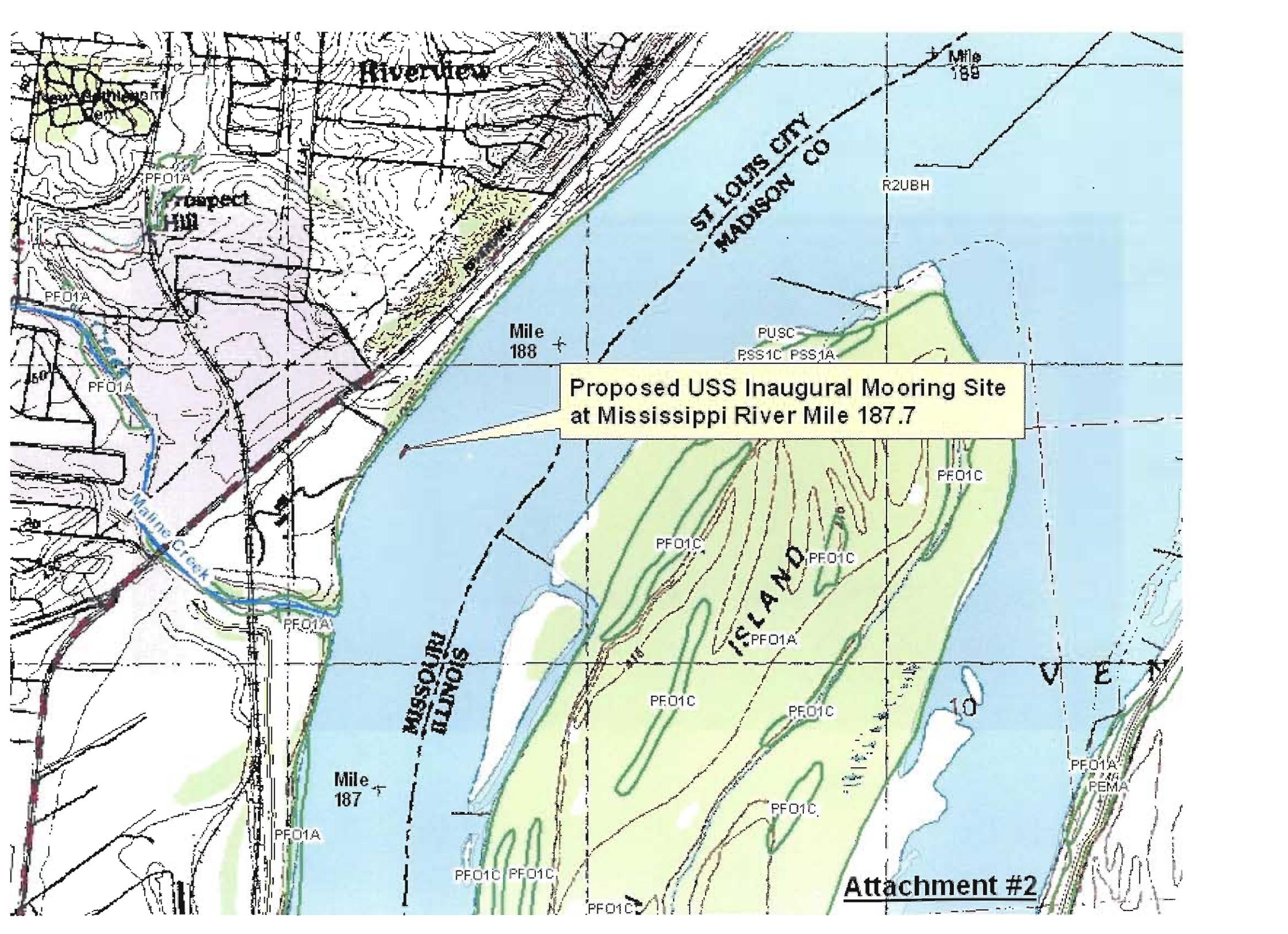


USS Inaugural P roposed Site and Mooring Cell

Mississippi River Mile 187.7

R2UBH

Dredged Street



Riverview

Mile 188

New Bathing Beach

Prospect Hill

ST LOUIS CITY
MADISON CO

R2UBH

Mile 188

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Proposed USS Inaugural Mooring Site
at Mississippi River Mile 187.7

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PFD1C

Maine Creek

PFD1C

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MISSOURI RIVER

ISLAND

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Mile 187

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Attachment #2

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