



Public Notice

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

Public Notice No.
P-2426
Public Notice Date
July 9, 2004

Expiration Date
July 29, 2004

Postmaster Please Post Conspicuously Until:

File Number: 200404430

Interested parties are hereby notified that a request has been received for a Department of the Army, Section 10 Rivers and Harbors Act permit, to permanently moor and convert a 26-foot by 67-foot barge into a private residential dwelling within the South Shore Marina, located adjacent to the Dardenne Island Chute, near the right descending bank of the Mississippi River, at approximate River Mile 226.6 (see attached map).

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 (**June 29, 2004**) 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
ATTN: CO-F (Charles Frerker)
1222 Spruce Street
St. Louis, Missouri 63103-2833

APPLICANT: Mr. Stephen Hoffmeyer, 320 Fork, St. Louis, Missouri 63137.

LOCATION: The project site is located within the South Shore Marina, which is accessed off of the Dardenne Island Chute, near the right descending bank of the Mississippi River, at approximate River Mile 226.6 (See Location Map).

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The applicant requests permission to permanently moor and convert a 26-foot by 67-foot barge into a private residential vessel within the protected confines of the South Shore Marina. The barge will be delivered to the permanent mooring site by a licensed push boat. A "stick-built" home would then be retrofitted on the barge to establish a private residential structure. The primary means of mooring the vessel/home would be accomplished by spuds through the barge vessel. The spud apparatus will allow the vessel/home to fluctuate with altering river levels. The marina has existing mooring points that could also be utilized to further secure the vessel/home during high river stages. The vessel/home will be equipped with utility services, including an on-board sewage treatment system sufficiently sized to meet expected occupancy.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: Additional information may be obtained by contacting the applicant or Charles Frerker, Rivers Project Manager, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers at (314) 331-8583 or at electronic mail: ***charles.frerker@mvs02.usace.army.mil***

AUTHORITY: This permit will be processed under the provisions of 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 this application. Request for public hearings shall state, with particularity, the reasons for holding the public hearing.

ENDANGERED SPECIES: The proposed project is within the range of the endangered Indiana bat (**Myotis sodalis**), Gray bat (**Myotis grisescens**), and the threatened Bald eagle (**Haliaeetus leucocephalus**). A preliminary determination, in compliance with the Endangered Species Act as amended, has been made that the proposed activity will have no affect on species designated as threatened or endangered, or adversely affect critical habitat. In order to complete our evaluation, this public notice solicits comments from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and other interested agencies and individuals.

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 conduct, or 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 described activity 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, 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.

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 these proposed activities. 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.

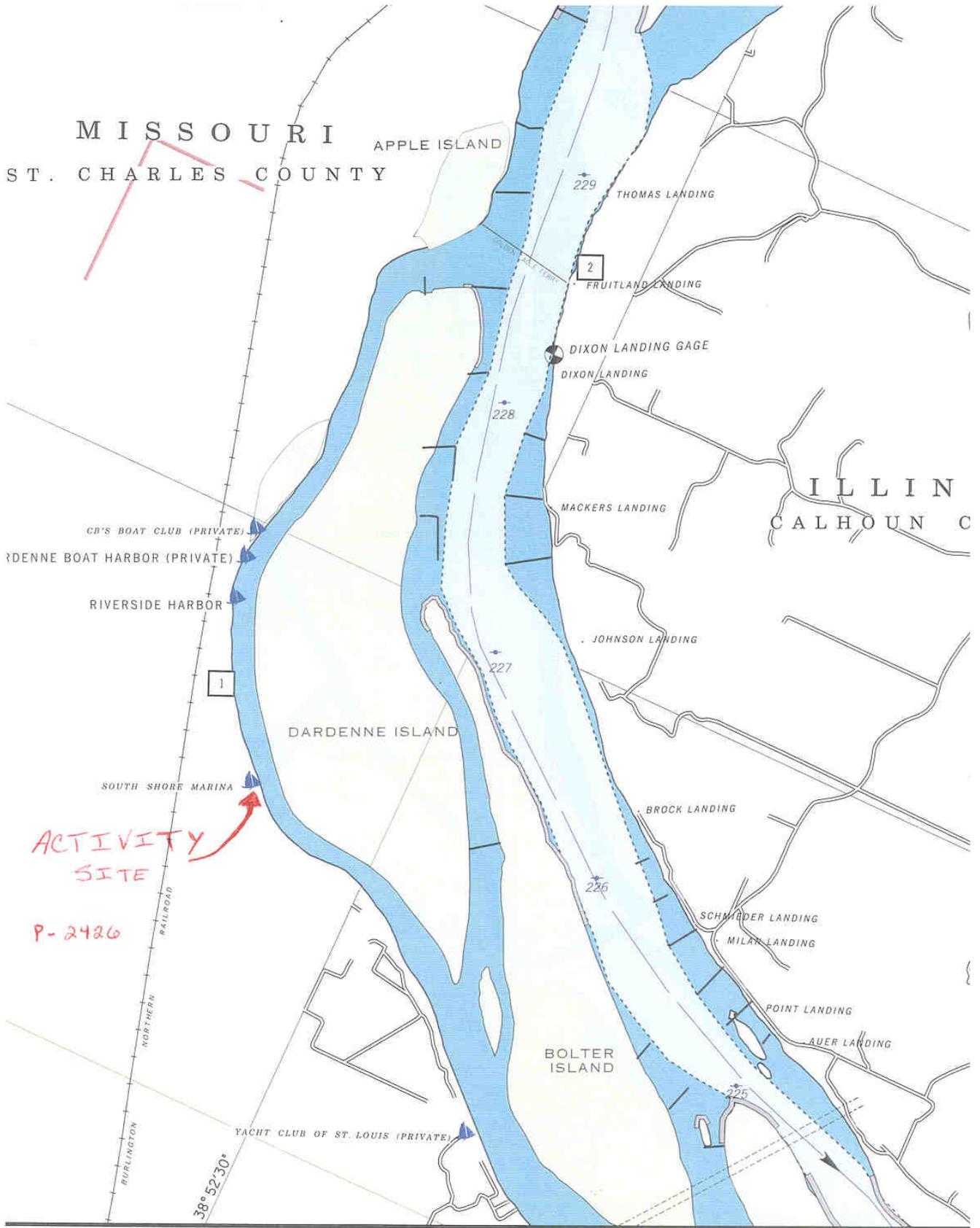
Danny D. McClendon, Chief
Regulatory Branch

Attachments

NOTICE TO POSTMASTERS:

It is requested that this notice be conspicuously and continually placed for 21 days from the date of issuance of this notice. The public notice comment period expires on **June 29, 2004**.

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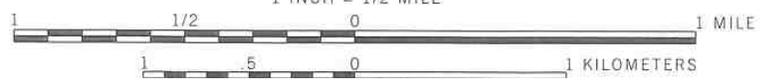
CR'S BOAT CLUB (PRIVATE)
DARDENNE BOAT HARBOR (PRIVATE)
RIVERSIDE HARBOR

ACTIVITY SITE
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SOUTH SHORE MARINA
NORTHERN RAILROAD
38° 52' 30"

YACHT CLUB OF ST. LOUIS (PRIVATE)

SCALE 1:31,680
1 INCH = 1/2 MILE





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ACTIVITY: Moor Barge Converted to Residential Home