



# Public Notice

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

Public Notice No.

[P-2396](#)

Public Notice Date

[September 21, 2004](#)

Expiration Date

[October 21, 2004](#)

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING  
U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS

1. The City of St. Peters, Missouri, P.O. Box 9, One St. Peters Centre Blvd., St. Peters, Missouri, 63376, has applied to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, St. Louis District, for a Department of the Army permit to place fill material into waters of the United States in conjunction with the construction of a new levee to provide flood protection to a proposed multi-use development area known as Lakeside Business Park. The levee would provide protection from a 500-year flood, to a 1400 acre area, and would be constructed by excavating soil from a proposed borrow area located on city property between the proposed levee and Dardenne Creek. The project also includes construction of two stormwater pumping stations, improvements to Cave Springs Road, and construction of an access road over the levee to a future park. Total wetland impacts for the project are approximately 3.6 acres. Other waters of the United States that are proposed to be filled include 40.2 acres of open water in an existing borrow area that was created during the construction of Route 370, and 4.2 acres of jurisdictional tributaries. Total direct impacts to waters of the United States are approximately 48 acres. There are approximately 106.4 acres of wetlands contained within the area proposed to be protected by the levee. These areas will be assessed for indirect impacts, including their being cutoff from flood events, changes in hydrology, and impacts from future development pressure.

The permit application is being processed under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1344). The St. Louis District issued a public notice dated December 31, 2003, outlining the proposal and impacts to wetlands and water bodies in the project area. The public notice may be viewed on the St. Louis District Regulatory Branch website at the following link:

<http://www.mvs.usace.army.mil/permits/pn/p-2396.pdf>

2. Announcement of Public Hearing: Where and when: In the Auditorium, at the City of St. Peters, City Hall, One St. Peters Centre Blvd., St. Peters, Missouri, 63376, **October 21, 2004, at 6:30 PM.** Information on the project, supporting documents, and maps will also be available for public inspection, October 21, 2004, from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. at the City Hall, across from the Auditorium, in the Activity Room, Room Number C-D, prior to the public hearing.

The purpose of the public hearing is to gather additional public review and comment on the original public notice that was issued by the St. Louis District. Written statements for inclusion in the record have already been submitted during the public notice comment period. These written statements will not be read at the hearing, however they will be fully considered in evaluating the application. The

hearing will afford all interested parties an additional opportunity to have their comments, objections, protests, and suggestions included in the record of this application. This may be accomplished in any (or all) of two ways:

a. Additional written statements will be accepted for 10 days following the public hearing. These statements should be mailed or brought to the Regulatory Branch of the St. Louis District, located at 1222 Spruce Street, St. Louis, Missouri, 63103-2833. Statements must be received by this District no later than November 1, 2004, to be included in the hearing record. Letters addressed or hand-carried to the District Engineer or another department of the Corps of Engineers rather than to the Regulatory Branch, may not reach the proper office in time to be included in the hearing record.

b. Information, either written or oral, may be presented at the hearing. All persons who wish to do so will be allowed an opportunity to speak. Persons speaking at the hearing may read from written statements, if they so desire.

c. The purpose of the public hearing is to allow the general public to submit testimony, either oral or written, relative to the merits, and/or detriments of the permit proposal, to be used to assist the District Engineer in his decision to issue or deny the permit request. The public hearing is neither an adversary proceeding nor a debate. There will be no cross-examinations of speakers.

(1) The hearing will be transcribed by a stenographer. A complete verbatim transcript will be prepared, and can be viewed at the St. Louis District Office, Regulatory Branch. A copy will also be posted on the St. Louis District Regulatory Branch web page.

(2) To insure that the transcript is complete and accurate, persons speaking at the hearing are requested to provide important data, particularly that involving numbers, in writing. This is not mandatory, but it is highly desirable.

(3) It is the intent that everyone who wishes to speak be allowed the opportunity to do so. To this end, a time limit for speakers may be imposed. This will be done to keep the hearing from running excessively long.

All replies to the public hearing should be submitted to the District Engineer, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, St. Louis District, Regulatory Branch, 1222 Spruce Street, St. Louis, Missouri 63103-2833, by **November 1, 2004**. Mr. Ward Lenz, telephone (314) 331-8186, may be contacted for additional information.

FOR THE DISTRICT ENGINEER:

DANNY D. MCCLENDON  
Chief, Regulatory Branch

**NOTICE TO POSTMASTERS:**

It is requested that this notice be conspicuously and continually placed for 30 days from the date of this issuance of this notice.