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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-2592a

Public Notice Date

April 16, 2015

Expiration Date

May 7, 2015

Postmaster Please Post Conspicuously Until:

File Number: MVS-2005-45048

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.

<u>COMMENTS AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION</u>: 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) 1222 Spruce Street St. Louis, Missouri 63103-2833 ATTN: Alan Edmondson

APPLICANT: Mr. Kevin James, #8 Jefferson Avenue, Valley Park, Missouri 63088

<u>LOCATION</u>: The project is located on the right descending bank of Mississippi River mile 240.6, Lincoln County, Missouri. Specifically, the project is located on the Winfield USGS quadrangle map, US Survey 1653, Township 49 North, Range 03 East, at latitude 38:59:40.4689, and longitude -90:40:59.2932.

<u>PROJECT DESCRIPTION</u>: The applicant seeks re-authorization to construct a sand plant and offloading terminal in Lincoln County, Missouri. The proposed project is located at Mississippi River mile 240.6, just downstream of Lock and Dam 25 and the West Point Ferry. The purpose of the project is to re-authorize the offloading terminal authorized in 2008, and obtain design modifications on the previous authorization.

The 2008 permit authorized two stationary barges moored just off-shore and secured by cables from deadmen approximately 75 feet landward from the top of the bankline. The proposed dredging operation associated with the terminal was to consist of a suction dredge with two barges for the transfer of sand. The sand plant would be comprised of a cleared area measuring 500 feet wide by 500 feet long. As part of the 2008 proposal, the applicant moved the work to avoid any wetlands. The sand material was to be offloaded from barges, loaded directly onto an awaiting conveyer system, transporting the material from the river, over the adjacent levee and county road, and on to the work area. The conveyer is approximately 15 feet above the highest point of the levee.

Since the authorized project was never constructed, the applicant has submitted an application to re-issue the original permitted activity, and alter the basic design of the project. The new project involves the placement of concrete anchor point for the purpose of mooring the dredge/barges needed for the project. The anchor point will be 10 feet wide, 10 feet long, and 10 feet deep. The anchor point will be located 300 feet north of the current structure, and 225 feet east of the adjacent levee at a latitude of 38:59:41.22, and longitude - 90:40:59.84. Secured to the anchor point will be a fixed barge with a loader measuring 35 feet by 200 feet, two sand barges measuring 26 feet by 100 feet respectively, and a dredge vessel measuring 26 feet by 100 feet.

LOCATION MAPS AND DRAWINGS: See attached.

<u>ADDITIONAL INFORMATION</u>: Additional information may be obtained by contacting Alan Edmondson, Project Manager, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, at (314) 331-8811. Your inquiries may also be sent by electronic facsimile to (314) 331-8741 or by e-mail to *alan.r.edmondson@usace.army.mil*.

<u>AUTHORITY:</u> This permit will be processed under the provisions of Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899 (33 U.S.C. 403) and Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1344).

WATER QUALITY CERTIFICATION: The project plans have been submitted to the Missouri Department of Natural Resources, Water Protection Program for state certification of the proposed work in accordance with Section 401 of the Clean Water Act. The certification is requested as of the date of this Public Notice, and if issued, will express the Agency's opinion that the proposed activities will not violate applicable water quality standards. Written comments concerning possible impacts to waters of Missouri should be addressed to: Water Protection Program, Post Office Box 176, Jefferson City, Missouri 65102-0176, with a copy provided to the Corps of Engineers.

<u>SECTION 404 (b)(1) EVALUATION</u>: The impact of the activity on the public interest will be evaluated in accordance with the Environmental Protection Agency guidelines pursuant to Section 404 (b)(1) of the Clean Water Act.

<u>PUBLIC HEARING</u>: 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: The proposed project is within the range of the following threatened, endangered, or protected species: Least Tern (interior population) (*Sterna antillarum*), Piping plover (*Charadrius melodus*), Northern Great Plains Breeding Population, Rufa Red knot (*Calidris canutus rufa*), Decurrent false aster (*Boltonia decurrens*), Running buffalo clover (*Trifolium stoloniferum*), Indiana bat (Myotis sodalis), and Bald eagle (Haliaeetus leucocephalus).

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.

<u>CULTURAL RESOURCES:</u> 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.

<u>SOLICITATION OF COMMENTS</u>: 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

Attachments

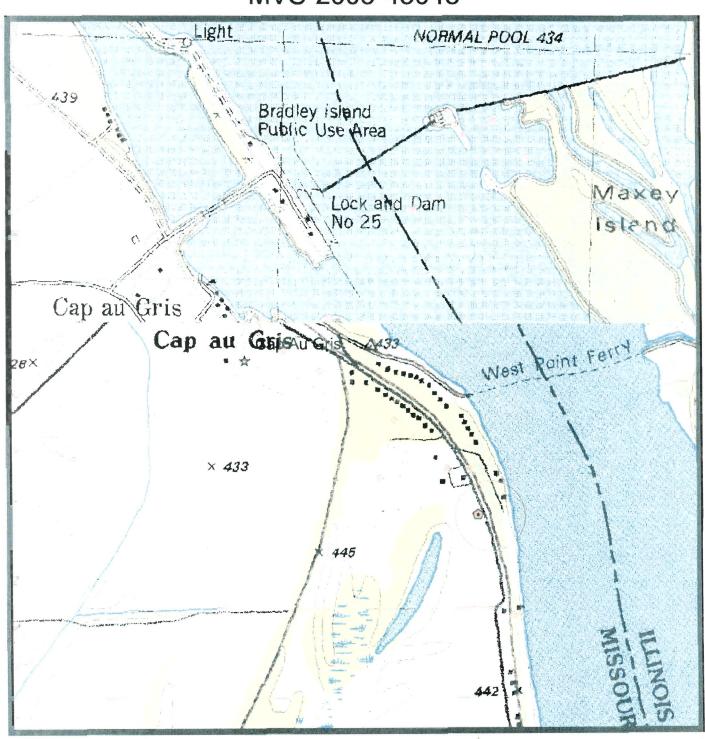
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NOTICE TO POSTMASTERS:

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

Lincoln County Sand Plant #2 MVS-2005-45048





Oct 06, 2005 Made By: AE



State: Missouri County: Lincoln

Nearest City: Cap au Gris Latitude: 38:59:40.4689

(38.9945747)

Longitude: -90:40:59.2932

(-90.68313701) UTM X: 0700653.194 UTM Y: 4318520.143

UTM Zone: 15

USGS Quad: Winfield HUC 8 Name: The Sny HUC 8 Number: 07110004

Section: 1653 Township: 49 N Range: 3 E

Meridian: Fifth Principal