

JOINT PUBLIC NOTICE

CORPS OF ENGINEERS – STATES OF ARKANSAS AND MISSOURI

Application Number: 1988-09046-GU

Date: September 10, 2014

Comments Due: October 6, 2014

CONSIDERATION OF REISSUANCE OF A REGIONAL GENERAL PERMIT

for the placement of dredged and fill material in waters of the United States associated with US Army Corps of Engineers work on the McClellan-Kerr Arkansas River Navigation System in Arkansas and on US Army Corps of Engineers Lakes within the Little Rock District.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: Comments are invited on the renewal of the regional general permit described below. Please see the <u>Public Involvement</u> section for details on submitting comments.

<u>Point of Contact</u>. If additional information is desired, please contact the project manager, Christopher Davies, telephone number: (501) 324-5295, mailing address: Little Rock District Corps of Engineers, Regulatory Division, PO Box 867, Little Rock, Arkansas 72203-0867, email address: <u>Christopher.G.Davies@usace.army.mil</u>.

<u>Background</u>. On January 21, 2010, the Little Rock District Corps of Engineers issued a regional general permit for the repair of levees, creation of dredged material disposal areas, fill of scour holes, and the construction, modification, or maintenance of dikes and revetments. The authority for permit issuance is found in Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S. Code 1344). Corps districts are authorized to develop regional general permits in accordance with Title 33, Code of Federal Regulations Parts 325.2(e)(2) and 325.5(c)(1).

<u>Proposed Reissuance</u>. This regional general permit has proven to be successful in authorizing a minor, noncontroversial category of work that has had no significant individual nor cumulative adverse environmental impacts, and we propose to reissue the regional general permit an additional five (5) years. Six projects have been approved under this regional general permit since January 21, 2010.

Copies of the regional general permit and procedures for verifying authorization are enclosed. The documents attached are as presently administered with minor revisions to update the documents.

<u>Notification/Verification Requirement</u>. The Little Rock District Regulatory Division must be notified and provide verification that the proposed work meets the terms and conditions of the general permit. The notification/verification details are outlined in the Procedures for Verifying Authorization attached to the regional general permit.

<u>Water Quality Certification</u>. By copy of this public notice, water quality certification is being requested from the Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality and Missouri Department of Natural Resources in accordance with Section 401(a)(1) of the Clean Water Act. Upon

completion of the comment period, a determination relative to water quality certification will be made.

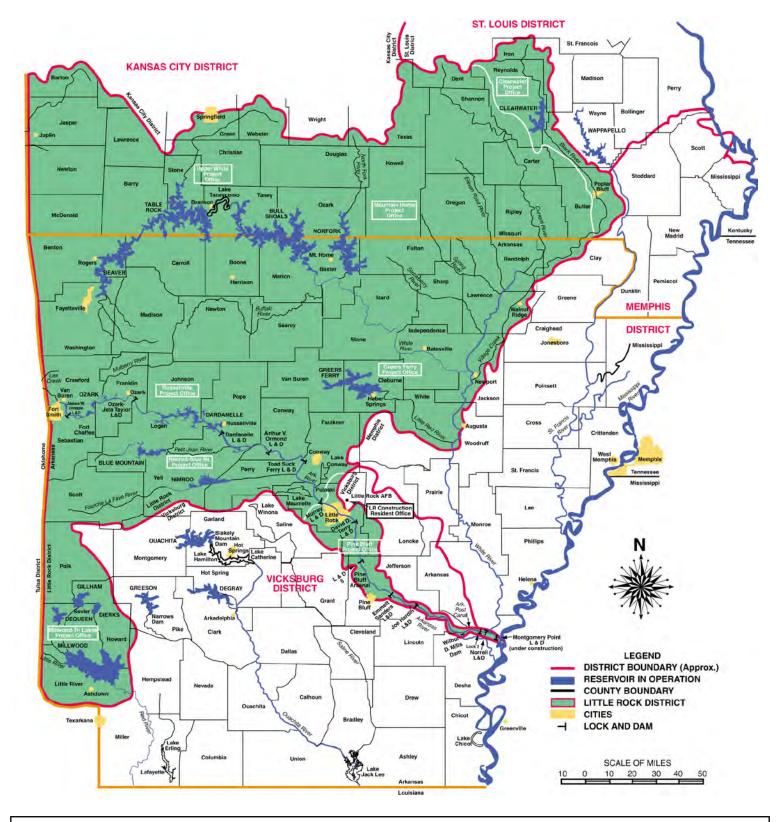
<u>Public Involvement</u>. Any interested party is invited to submit to the above-listed POC written comments, objections or suggestions related to this proposed reissuance on or before **October 6**, **2014**. Comments, both favorable and unfavorable, will be accepted and made a part of this record and will receive full consideration in determining whether it would be in the public interest to reissue the regional general permit.

Any person may request, in writing, prior to the expiration date of this public notice, that a public hearing be held to consider the proposed regional general permit. Such requests shall state, with particularity, the reasons 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.

<u>Additional Information</u>. Additional information about the proposed reissuance of the regional general permit may be obtained by writing Christopher Davies, at the address or email listed above, or by calling (501) 324-5296.

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Fill of Scour Hole

Top of existing stm: varies -Arkansas River Navigation pool, el. 162.07 Excavate as required to Quarry-run stone with fines to be added expose surface of Existing existing stone stone-fill El. 145.0 in dikes . Melin El. 140.0-Excavation -Dredged fill to be added line shown on plan from borrow -Disposal area for excausted material

TYPICAL SECTION

FOR FILLING SCOUR HOLE DOWNSTREAM
OF LOCK 3 AND CAPPING IT WITH STONE
10'
0 10'

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