

Environmental Protection Agency, the National Park Service and the Delaware River Basin Commission.

b. Significant issues to be addressed in the EIS regarding the proposed project include:

1. Loss of 250 acres of tidal freshwater wetlands within impoundment area;
2. Impact of project construction and operation on water quality and flood storage capacity;
3. Fish and wildlife habitat impacts, including endangered species;
4. The effect of nearby hazardous waste sites and Interstate 95 on water quality;
5. Disposal of excavated materials;
6. Mitigation plans; and
7. Water supply alternatives to the proposed action.

c. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Philadelphia District and the U.S. Environmental protection Agency, Region III have executed a Cooperating Agency Agreement for the development of this EIS. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, through this agreement, has committed to play an active role in the scoping process, the performance of appropriate field investigations, the development of portions of the Draft and Final EIS's, primarily those related to water quality and hazardous waste issues, and the development of responses to comments received on those sections of the DEIS.

4. A Public Workshop/Scoping Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, April 11, 1996, in the Clayton Hall Conference Center on the University of Delaware's North Campus in Newark, Delaware. The conference center will open at 6 pm for informal viewing of project displays and documents and discussions with appropriate agency representatives. This formal meeting will begin at 7 pm.

5. It is estimated that the Draft Environmental Impact Statement will be made available to the public in the Spring of 1997.

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Chief, Regulatory Branch, Corps of Engineers-Philadelphia District.

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Corps of Engineers

Intent To Prepare a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) for a Proposed Flood Control Project on the Bolles Canal in Palm Beach County, Florida

AGENCY: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, DOD.

ACTION: Notice of intent.

SUMMARY: The Jacksonville District, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers intends to prepare a General Reevaluation Report (GRR) for the Bolles Canal flood control study (between the Miami and Hillsborough Canals). A Draft Environmental Impact Statement will be prepared for the project.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Therese Fretwell, (904) 232-3271, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Jacksonville District, P.O. Box 4970, Jacksonville, Florida 32232-0019.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

a. The study of possible flood control measures for the Bolles Canal is authorized under the Flood Control Act of 1948. Subsequently, the Flood Control Act of 1954 authorized the construction of S-171 and S-172 within the Bolles Canal for the protection of the Everglades Agricultural Area (EAA); however, these structures were not constructed. The process of preparing the General Reevaluation Report will allow the Corps to reformulate and/or modify plans for flood control in this study area. In July 1986, the Jacksonville District requested and received concurrence to reactivate and improve Bolles Canal as an authorized part of the C & SF Project. This decision was based on South Florida Water Management's (SFWMD) conclusion that the total capacity of private pump stations discharging into Bolles Canal was much greater than present Canal capacity. Increasing the capacity of the Bolles Canal may significantly enhance the effectiveness of the Stormwater Treatment Areas (STA's). Thus, in a letter dated 5 October 1994, SFWMD requested that the Jacksonville District pursue a multi-objective study for improvements to the Bolles Canal. The project will involve channel improvements and modifications, and levee and structural improvements and construction. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers has determined that an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) should be prepared in order to satisfy requirements under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA).

b. Scoping: The scoping process as outlined by the Council on Environmental Quality will be utilized to involve Federal, State, and local agencies; and other interested persons and organizations. A scoping letter will be sent to interested Federal, State, and local agencies requesting their comments and concerns regarding the issues they think should be included in the EIS. Interested persons and organizations wishing to participate in the scoping process should contact the Corps of Engineers at the above

mentioned address. Environmental considerations will include potential presence of historical or archaeological resources, aesthetics, wetlands, ecosystems, water quality, water supply, endangered and threatened species and wildlife habitats and values. Public meetings will be held in the future; exact dates, times and locations will be published in local papers.

c. It is estimated that the DEIS will be available to the public by January 1998.

Gregory D. Showalter,

Army Federal Register Liaison Officer.

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Corps of Engineers

Intent To Prepare a Draft Environmental Impact Statement/Report (DEIS/R) for the Port of Hueneme Feasibility Study, Port Hueneme, California

AGENCY: Los Angeles District, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, DOD.

ACTION: Notice of intent.

SUMMARY: To date, deep draft vessels entering the Port of Hueneme Entrance Channel, have to limit the amount of cargo product that can be brought into the harbor for berthing due to existing shallow bottom depths. In order to increase the cargo efficiency of product delivery, a plan has been developed to deepen the existing channel from the -35 foot contour depth to a depth of -40 to -45 feet mean lower low water. Approximately 1 million cubic yards of material would be dredged for disposal. Disposal options include offshore, near/onshore and upland sites. Potential disposal sites have not been identified at this time. Project figures are available by contacting the below individual and address.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Questions concerning the proposed action and DEIS/R can be answered by Mr. Russell L. Kaiser, Environmental Planning Section, at (213) 894-0247, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, P.O. Box 2711, Los Angeles, California, 90053.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

1. *Proposed Action:* The proposed action would reduce some of the current limit and cargo product restrictions that can be brought into the harbor for berthing due to existing shallow depths.

2. *Alternatives:* Although no alternatives have been developed to date, as part of the process, a full array of alternatives would be developed for further analyses. The proposed plan, viable project alternatives, and the "no action" plan will be carried forward for

detailed analysis in the National Environmental Policy Act/California Environmental Policy Act document.

3. *Scoping Process:* Potential impacts associated with the proposed action and alternatives will be fully evaluated. Resource categories that will be analyzed include: geology, oceanography/water quality, air and noise quality, marine resources, cultural resources, socioeconomics, land/water use, recreation, ground and vessel traffic and safety, energy, and aesthetics. The Los Angeles District will be conducting a public scoping meeting with the Port of Hueneme on 28 March 1996, at 7:00 pm, in the Board Room of the Oxnard Harbor District, 105 East Hueneme Road, Port Hueneme, California.

4. *Significant Issues:* The only possible significant issue at this time may be related to disposal of dredged material if testing shows sediments are contaminated and require special handling.

5. *Other Environmental Review and Consultation:* Environmental review and consultation as required by Sections 401 and 404 of the Clean Water Act, as amended, (33 U.S.C. 1341 and 1344); the Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act (16 U.S.C. 661 *et seq.*); the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended (16 U.S.C. 470 *et seq.*); the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*); Executive Order 11990, "Protection of Wetlands," (24 May 1977); and other applicable statutes or regulations will be conducted concurrently with the EIR/EIS review process.

6. *Schedule:* We estimate the draft EIR/EIS will be made available to the public in Spring of 1997.

Gregory D. Showalter,

Army Federal Register Liaison Officer.

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Corps of Engineers

Intent To Prepare a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) for the Proposed Ocean City, Maryland, and Vicinity Water Resources Feasibility Study at Ocean City, in Worcester County, Maryland; Correction

AGENCY: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, DOD.

ACTION: Correction to Notice of Intent.

SUMMARY: Reference NOI published in Federal Register on Thursday, February 29, 1996, Volume 61, number 41, pages 7778-9. This document contains corrections to the Notice of Intent

published for the Ocean City, Maryland, and Vicinity Water Resources Feasibility Study and Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS). The corrections relate to the types of documents to be prepared and the dates that the draft documents will be available for public review.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Questions about the proposed actions, draft Programmatic EIS, and Supplemental EIS's can be addressed to Ms. Stacey Marek, Study Manager, Baltimore District, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, ATTN: CENAB-PL-PC, P.O. 1715, Baltimore, Maryland 21203-1715, telephone (410) 962-4977. E-mail address: ocwr@ccmail.nab.usace.army.mil.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background: The Ocean City feasibility study will address four different water-related problems in the Maryland coastal bay area as separate report components. The components include (1) the restoration of the northern end of Assateague Island; (2) long-term sand placement opportunities along Ocean City and Assateague Island shorelines; (3) restoration of terrestrial and aquatic habitat; and (4) navigation improvements to the harbor, inlet, and Thorofare channel. The Assateague Island Restoration component will be completed earlier than the other 3 components due to a potentially imminent breach of Assateague Island. The original schedule completion date for the draft Ocean City, Maryland, and Vicinity Water Resources Feasibility Report and DEIS was June 1997.

Need for Correction: As published, the original NOI failed to clarify that a Programmatic EIS, addressing general impacts of the overall project and specific impacts of the Assateague Island restoration, would be available first, followed by a separate supplemental EIS addressing the remaining project components, and to identify the dates the documents would be available for public review.

Correction of Publication: Accordingly, the Federal Register published on Thursday, February 29, 1996, Volume 61, number 41, pages 7778-9, is corrected as follows: On page 7778, in the Summary paragraph, substitute the following for the final sentence:

A Programmatic EIS addressing the general actions and impacts of the overall proposed study and the specific actions and impacts of the Assateague Island Restoration component will be prepared and provided for public review in March 1997. Subsequently,

separate Supplemental EIS will be prepared for the study components addressing long-term sand placement; restoration of terrestrial and aquatic habitat; and navigation improvements to the harbor, inlet, and Thorofare channel. The Supplemental EIS will be provided for public review in October 1997.

On page 7778, in item number 7, line 2; and on page 7779, in item 7, line 2: substitute "environmental documents" for "DEIS." On page 7779, in item number 10, substitute the following: The draft Programmatic EIS addressing the general actions and impacts of the overall Ocean City, Maryland, Water Resources Feasibility Study and the specific actions and impacts of the Assateague Island Restoration is scheduled to be available for public review in Mar. 1997; a Supplemental EIS addressing the specific actions and impacts of the remaining 3 study components are scheduled to be available for public review in October 1997.

Gregory D. Showalter,

Army Federal Register Liaison Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

National Assessment Governing Board; Public Forum

AGENCY: National Assessment Governing Board, Education.

ACTION: Notice of information collection activity.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), this notice announces that the National Assessment Governing Board (NAGB) has submitted an Information Collection Request (ICR) to the Office of Management and Budget for approval of the collection abstracted below. The ICR describes the nature of the information collection and its expected cost and burden; it includes the actual data collection instrument and explanatory materials.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before April 22, 1996.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION OR A COPY CONTACT: Susan Cooper Loomis, NAEP ALS Project Director, American College Testing, 2201 N. Dodge Street, Iowa City, Iowa 52243. Copies of the complete ICR and accompanying appendices may be obtained from the NAEP ALS Project Director at the address above.