

Dated: February 16, 1996.

Bruce A. Lehman,

Assistant Secretary of Commerce and Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks.

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COMMITTEE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TEXTILE AGREEMENTS

Denial of Participation in the Special Access Program

February 22, 1996.

AGENCY: Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements (CITA).

ACTION: Issuing a directive to the Commissioner of Customs denying the right to participate in the Special Access Progam.

FFECTIVE DATE: February 26, 1996. **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Lori E. Mennitt, International Trade Specialist, Office of Textiles and Apparel, U.S. Department of Commerce, (202) 482–3400.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Authority: Executive Order 11651 of March 3, 1972, as amended; section 204 of the Agricultural Act of 1956, as amended (7 U.S.C. 1854).

The Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements (CITA) has determined that Gator of Florida is in violation of the requirements set forth for participation in the Special Access Program.

In the letter published below, the Chairman of CITA directs the Commissioner of Customs, effective on February 26, 1996, to deny Gator of Florida the right to participate in the Special Access Program for a period of six months, from February 26, 1996 through August 25, 1996.

Requirements for participation in the Special Access Program are available in Federal Register notices 51 FR 21208, published on June 11, 1986; 52 FR 26057, published on July 10, 1987; and 54 FR 50425, published on December 6, 1989.

D. Michael Hutchinson,

Acting Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements

February 22, 1996.

Commissioner of Customs, Department of the Treasury, Washington, DC 20229

Dear Commissioner: The purpose of this directive is to notify you that the Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements has determined that Gator of Florida is in violation of the requirements for participation in the Special Access Program.

Effective on February 26, 1996, you are directed to prohibit Gator of Florida from further participation in the Special Access Program for a period of six months, from February 26, 1996 through August 25, 1996. For the period February 26, 1996 through

August 25, 1996, goods accompanied by Form ITA-370P which are presented to U.S. Customs for entry under the Special Access Program will not be accepted. In addition, for the period February 26, 1996 through August 25, 1996, you are directed not to sign ITA-370P forms for export of U.S.-formed and cut fabric for Gator of Florida.

Sincerely,

D. Michael Hutchinson,

Acting Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements. [FR Doc.96–4558 Filed 2–27–96; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 3510–DR-F

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army

Corps of Engineers

Notice of Availability (NOA) for the Proposed Wyoming Valley Levee Raising Project in the Vicinity of Wilkes-Barre, Luzerne County, Pennsylvania

AGENCY: U.S. Army Crops of Engineers,

DoD.

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and Section 404 of the Clean Water Act, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Baltimore District, is conducting the final public review of the Final Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (FSEIS) as part of the public coordination effort regarding the proposed Wyoming Valley Levee Raising Project, Luzerne County, Pennsylvania. The purpose of the levee raising project is to modify the five existing flood protection projects to provide protection against reoccurrence of a flood equal to that caused by Tropical Storm Agnes in June 1972. The proposed project consists of raising the levees and floodwalls 3 to 5 feet, appurtenant features, and structural and non-structural mitigation measures for increased flood impacts. The project was authorized under Section 401(a) of the 1986 Water Resources Development Act. Luzerne County is the non-Federal sponsor for this project.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Questions about the proposed action and Final Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (FSEIS) can be addressed to Mr. Richard Starr, Project Manager, Baltimore District, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, ATTN: CENAB-PL-RP, P.O. Box 1715, Baltimore, Maryland 21203–1715, telephone (410) 962–4633. E-mail address:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

1. The Baltimore District, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, has prepared a Final Phase II General Design Memorandum (GDM) which has evaluated an increased level of protection for the existing flood protection systems along the Susquehanna River is the Wyoming Valley of Luzerne County in the vicinity of Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania. Additionally, the study evaluated increased flooding due to the proposed project and alternative solutions for this problem in areas upstream and downstream in Lackawanna, Luzerne, Columbia, Montour, Northumberland, and Snyder Counties. A Final Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (FSEIS) has been prepared. This FSEIS documents all study activities, including changes in the project actions, existing conditions and project effects since the FEIS was prepared for the Phase I GDM in 1981.

The decision to implement the project actions was based on an evaluation of the probable impact of the proposed activities on the public interest. That decision reflects the national concern for both protection and utilization of important resources. The benefit which may reasonably be expected to accrue from the proposal was balanced against its reasonably foreseeable detriments. All factors which may be relevant to the proposal, including the cumulative effects, thereof, were considered; among these factors are conservation; economics; aesthetics; general environmental concerns; wetlands; cultural values; fish and wildlife values; threatened and endangered species; flood hazards; flood plain values; hazardous, toxic and radioactive waste; terrestrial resources; land use; recreation; water supply and conservation; water quality; energy needs; safety; food and fiber production; and the general needs and welfare of the people.

3. Final evaluation of the levee raising project indicates that the overall quality of the study area will be maintained with exception to some social impacts caused by the increased flooding; environmental impacts to a 0.38 acre river fringe emergent wetland; and cultural impacts to one archeological site and two architectural structures. Mitigation plans have been developed for all of these impacts. Only minor impacts to aquatic resources are expected to occur as a result of limited fill activities in waters of the United

States.

4. An evaluation of the proposed actions on waters of the United States was performed pursuant to the guidelines promulgated by the