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Public Notice

Programmatic Environmental Assessment Section 408 National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) Compliance Fort Worth District, Texas

PURPOSE: The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), Fort Worth District, has prepared a draft Programmatic Environmental Assessment (PEA) for future Section 408 requests pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969, as amended (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*). This PEA evaluates the potential environmental effects of future proposed Section 408 requests, which are similar and have similar impacts. The Section 408 program verifies that changes to USACE federally authorized Civil Works projects will not be injurious to the public interest and will not impair the usefulness of the project. This requirement was established in Section 14 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899, which has since been amended several times and is codified at 33 U.S.C. 408. This public notice informs the public and interested parties and solicits public comments.

DRAFT PEA LOCATION: The draft PEA documents may be found on the following webpage:

https://www.swf.usace.army.mil/Missions/Section-408/Programmatic-Environmental-Assessment/

COMMENT PERIOD: The public comment period is open for 30 calendar days. The public notice is issued on September 15, 2022. The close of the comment period is on October 15, 2022.

SOLICITATION OF COMMENTS: The USACE solicits comments from the public; federal, state, and local agencies and officials; Indian Tribes; and other interested parties. Please provide written comments to Ms. Bailee Posey, Biologist, by email at Bailee.Posey@usace.army.mil or mail to Bailee Posey, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Regional Planning and Environmental Center, P.O. Box 17300 Fort Worth, TX 76102-0300 before the close of the comment period. Comments should be postmarked by October 15, 2022. Please direct any questions or requests for additional information to Ms. Posey by email or telephone at 817-886-1696.

Sincerely,

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