

WESTSIDE CREEKS ECOSYSTEM RESTORATION

Appendix N: Public Communication



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
FORT WORTH DISTRICT, CORPS OF ENGINEERS
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REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF:

July 31, 2013

Planning, Environmental, and Regulatory Division

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY

DRAFT FONSI AND ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT FOR THE WESTSIDE CREEKS ECOSYSTEM RESTORATION PROJECT, SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS

The public is hereby notified of the availability of the Draft Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) and Environmental Assessment (EA) for restoration of the San Pedro, Apache, Alazan, and Martinez Creeks (Westside Creeks) in the City of San Antonio, Texas. The United States Army Corps of Engineers, Fort Worth District and the San Antonio River Authority (SARA), the non-federal sponsor, have prepared the General Re-evaluation Report, Draft FONSI and EA to identify, evaluate, and disclose all associated impacts that would result from the proposed ecosystem restoration of the Westside Creeks.

The Draft FONSI and EA will be available for review at the following locations:

San Antonio River Authority
100 East Guenther St.
San Antonio, Texas 78204

Central Library
600 Soledad
San Antonio, Texas 78205

The Draft FONSI and EA can also be viewed via the Internet on the Fort Worth District and SARA websites at the following addresses: www.swf.usace.army.mil and www.sara-tx.org.

A 30-day public comment period begins with publication of this Notice of Availability. Please address any comments to Mr. Daniel Allen, CESWF-PER-EC, P. O. Box 17300, Fort Worth, Texas 76102-0300, or email at daniel.allen@usace.army.mil.

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Planning, Environmental, and Regulatory Division

Mr. Adam Zerrenner
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
10711 Burnet Road, Suite 200
Austin, Texas 78758

Dear Mr. Zerrenner:

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Planning, Environmental, and Regulatory Division

Mr. Michael Jansky
Office of Planning and Coordination,
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 6
1445 Ross Avenue Mail Stop 6ENXP
Dallas, Texas 75202

Dear Mr. Jansky:

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Planning, Environmental, and Regulatory Division

Mr. Tom Heger
Texas Parks and Wildlife Department
4200 Smith School Road
Austin, Texas 78744

Dear Mr. Heger:

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Planning, Environmental, and Regulatory Division

Ms. Julie Wicker
Texas Parks and Wildlife Department
4200 Smith School Road
Austin, Texas 78744

Dear Ms. Wicker:

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Planning, Environmental, and Regulatory Division

Mr. David W. Galindo
Team Leader, Standards Implementation Team, Water Quality Division
Texas Commission on Environmental Quality
12100 Park Circle 35, Building F P.O. Box 13087, Capital Station
Austin, Texas 78711

Dear Mr. Galindo:

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Planning, Environmental, and Regulatory Division

Mr. Mark Wolfe
State Historic Preservation Office
P.O. Box 12276 Capital Station
Austin, Texas 78711

Dear Mr. Wolfe:

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Planning, Environmental, and Regulatory Division

Honorable Mark Chino, President
Mescalero Apache Tribe
124 Chiricahua Plaza
Mescalero, New Mexico 88340

Dear President Chino:

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Planning, Environmental, and Regulatory Division

Honorable Wallace Coffey, Chairman
ATTN: Mr. James Arterberry,
Comanche Nation
584 NW Bingo Road HC 32 Box 908
Lawton, Oklahoma 73502

Dear Chairman Coffey:

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Planning, Environmental, and Regulatory Division

Honorable Ron Twohatchet, Chairman
Kiowa Tribe of Oklahoma
Highway 9 West
Carnegie, Oklahoma 73015

Dear Chairman Twohatchet:

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Honorable Don Paterson, President
Tonkawa Tribe of Oklahoma
1 Rush Buffalo Road
Tonkawa, Oklahoma 74653

Dear President Paterson:

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Mr. Mark Denton
Texas Historical Commission
P.O. Box 12276
Austin, Texas 78711

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Ms. Kim Barker
Texas Historical Commission
P.O. Box 12276
Austin, Texas 78711

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