

Corps of Engineers

Inland Waterways Users Board

AGENCY: Corps of Engineers, Army Department, DOD.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: In accordance with 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Public Law (92-463) announcement is made of the next meeting of the Inland Waterways Users Board. The meeting will be held on 8 October 1996 at the Edgewater Hotel in Seattle, Washington (Tel. 206-443-4300 or 800-426-9280). Registration will begin at 12:30 PM and the meeting is scheduled to adjourn at 5:00 PM. The meeting is open to the public. Any interested person may attend, appear before, or file statements with the committee at the time and in the manner permitted by the committee.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Norma T. Edwards, Headquarters, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, CECW-PD, Washington, DC 20314-1000.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: None.

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Army Federal Register Liaison Officer.

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Department of the Navy

Notice of Intent to Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement for the Proposed Construction of a Replacement Outfall for the Wastewater Treatment Plant at Fort Kamehameha, Pearl Harbor, Oahu, Hawaii

SUMMARY: Pursuant to Section 102(2)(c) of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969, as implemented by the Council on Environmental Quality regulations (40 CFR Parts 1500-1508), the Navy announces its intent to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the proposed construction of a replacement outfall for the existing wastewater treatment plant (WWTP) at Fort Kamehameha, Pearl Harbor, Oahu, Hawaii.

The action covered by the EIS is replacement of the existing outfall, which discharges into the entrance channel of a Class 2 inland estuary, with a multiport deep ocean outfall which will discharge into Class A open coastal marine waters. The proposed outfall will reduce nutrient mass loading on the Pearl Harbor estuary. The proposed action is consistent with the State of Hawaii's management plan for the Pearl Harbor estuary, pursuant to Section 304(1) of the Clean Water Act. The EIS

will analyze reasonable alternatives for disposal of secondary treated effluent and will assess their direct and cumulative environmental impacts.

Navy will initiate a scoping process to identify significant issues for study in the EIS and to identify and notify parties interested in and affected by the proposed action. It is important that interested agencies, individuals, and organizations take this opportunity to identify environmental concerns and feasible alternatives that should be addressed in the EIS. Public scoping meetings will be held on 1 and 2 October 1996, during which oral comments may be presented. To allow all views to be shared, each speaker will be asked to limit comments to five minutes.

Interested parties are also invited and encouraged to provide written comments in addition to, or in lieu of, oral comments at the public meetings. Scoping comments should clearly describe specific issues or topics that the EIS should address. The scoping period for receipt of comments will end on 18 October 1996.

DATES/LOCATIONS: Two public scoping meetings will be held on Oahu: (1) Honolulu, Oahu: October 1, 1996, 7:00 - 10:00 pm, Washington Intermediate School, 1633 South King Street, and (2) Pearl Harbor, Oahu: October 2, 1996, 7:00 - 10:00 pm, Makalapa Elementary School, 4435 Salt Lake Boulevard.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Written statements and/or questions regarding the scoping process should be mailed no later than October 18, 1996 to Mr. Melvin Kaku (Code 23), Pacific Division, Naval Facilities Engineering, Pearl Harbor, HI 96860, telephone (808) 471-9338; fax (808) 474-4890.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The proposed action consists of constructing a 12,000-foot long, 42-inch diameter wastewater outfall extension, which will discharge through a multiport diffuser at a water depth of between 70 and 150 feet.

Construction activities include excavating an underwater trench across the shallow offshore limestone reef and in the Pearl Harbor entrance channel, installing pipe in the trench, and covering pipe with protective material. Construction equipment and supplies will be staged in the immediate vicinity of the treatment plant. Construction on the reef will require installation of a temporary earthen berm for equipment access; the berm will be removed after pipe installation. Construction in the channel will be carried out from one or more barges. Approximately 30,000 cubic yards of excavated material will

be disposed at an approved offshore dredged material discharge site. Outfall piping will be assembled on land and floated to the outfall alignment. Piping in the trench will be supported by gravel beds and capped with concrete mats or tremie concrete. In shallow water, the top of the protective concrete mats will be approximately even with or just below the existing bottom contour. In deep water, the protective layer will be one meter below the design maintenance dredge depth. Construction activities will occur over a period of approximately 18 months. The existing outfall will be retained for emergency operations.

Alternatives to be evaluated include (1) no action, (2) several outfall alignments with variations of construction methodology, dredged material disposal, and diffuser depth and length, and (3) upland disposal of wastewater effluent, either by reuse or disposal through underground injection wells. The alternative outfall alignments all exit the existing WWTP discharge pump station and terminate at a depth of between 70 and 150 feet; they differ in the locations at which they cross the shoreline reef flat and enter deeper water. Construction method options include use of barges, use of a temporary berm across the reef flat, and possibly directional drilling. Dredged materials may be used to construct a temporary berm, disposed at the existing approved offshore disposal site, or disposed at an undetermined upland location. The upland disposal/reuse alternative for wastewater consists of constructing infrastructure to further treat WWTP effluent and redirect it to an undetermined upland site. The upland/underground injection alternative consists of constructing underground injection wells at suitable locations for effluent disposal.

Environmental issues to be addressed will include, but not be limited to, effects on surface and ground water quality, terrestrial and aquatic habitats, threatened or endangered species, cultural resources, infrastructure, traffic, noise and the socioeconomic environment. Direct, indirect, and cumulative impacts will be analyzed, and mitigation measures will be developed as required. Related regulatory processes will include a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit under the Clean Water Act (CWA), a Department of the Army permit under Section 404 of the CWA, and a Section 401 Water Quality Certification by the State of Hawaii Department of Health.

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DELAWARE RIVER BASIN COMMISSION

Notice of Commission Meeting and Public Hearing

The Delaware River Basin Commission will hold a special 35th Anniversary meeting on Thursday, September 19, 1996 beginning at 11:00 a.m. in the Concert Hall located in the Independence Seaport Museum at 211 South Columbus Boulevard and Walnut Street, Penn's Landing, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. The meeting, which is open to the public, will commemorate the Commission's 35th year under the interstate-federal Delaware River Basin Compact.

Following a luncheon recess, the meeting will reconvene at 2:30 p.m. at the same location and will include the following subjects for public hearing:

Applications for Approval of the Following Projects Pursuant to Article 10.3, Article 11 and/or Section 3.8 of the Compact

1. *Palmer Water Company D-81-24 CP RENEWAL* 3. Application for the renewal of a ground water withdrawal project to supply up to 35 million gallons (mg)/30 days of water to the applicant's distribution system for Well Nos. 4, 6, 7, Foundry Well and Well A. Commission approval on May 22, 1991 was limited to five years. The applicant requests that the total withdrawal from all wells remain limited to 35 mg/30 days. The project is located in Palmerton Borough, Carbon County, Pennsylvania.

2. *Broad Run Valley, Inc. D-85-27 CP RENEWAL* 2. All application for the renewal of a ground water withdrawal project to supply up to 24 mg/30 days of water to the applicant's Wilkinson Farm water supply project from Well No. W-3. Commission approval on June 19, 1991 was limited to five years. The applicant requests that the total withdrawal from all wells remain limited to 24 mg/30 days. The project is located in New Garden Township, Chester County, Pennsylvania.

3. *Woodloch Pines, Inc. D-89-57 CP RENEWAL*. An application for the renewal of a ground water withdrawal project to supply up to 9 mg/30 days of water to the applicant's potable distribution system and golf course

irrigation system from Well Nos. 5, 6 and 9. Commission approval on August 8, 1990 was limited to five years. The applicant requests that the total withdrawal from all wells remain limited to 9 mg/30 days. The project is located in Lackawaxen Township, Pike County, Pennsylvania.

4. *Evesham Municipal Utilities Authority D-93-38 CP*. An application for approval of a ground water withdrawal project to supply up to 29 mg/30 days of water to the applicant's distribution system from new Well No. 13 screened in the Mt. Laurel Aquifer, and to increase the existing withdrawal limit of 136 mg/30 days from all wells to 149 mg/30 days. The project is located in Evesham Township, Burlington County, New Jersey.

5. *Resorts USA, Inc. D-94-28-CP*. An application for approval of a ground water withdrawal project to supply up to 1.73 mg/30 days of water to the applicant's Country Club of the Poconos at Big Ridge distribution system from new Well No. 2, and to retain the existing withdrawal limit from all wells of 3.7 mg/30 days. The project is located in Middle Smithfield Township, Monroe County, Pennsylvania.

6. *Warwick Township Water and Sewer Authority D-94-72 CP*. An application for the approval of a ground water withdrawal project to supply up to 5.0 mg/30 days of water to the applicant's distribution system to serve the proposed Country Crossing residential development and the High Pointe industrial complex from new Well Nos. 9, 10 and 11. The applicant requests that the total withdrawals from all wells remain limited to 22.0 mg/30 days. The project is located in Warwick Township, Bucks County in the Southeastern Pennsylvania Ground Water Protected Area.

7. *Mantua Township Municipal Utilities Authority D-95-36 CP*. An application for an increased withdrawal of water from previously approved Well Nos. 2 through 8 in the applicant's water supply system. The applicant requests that the withdrawal from Well Nos. 2 through 8 be increased from 37 mg/30 days to 47 mg/30 days. The project is located in Mantua Township, Gloucester County, New Jersey.

8. *Borough of Clayton D-95-45 CP*. An application for approval of a ground water withdrawal project to supply up to 15 mg/30 days of water to the applicant's distribution system from new Well No. 6, and to increase the existing withdrawal limit of 27.7 mg/30 days from all wells to 31 mg/30 days. The project is located in Clayton Borough, Gloucester County, New Jersey.

9. *Township of Medford D-95-55 CP*. An application for approval of a ground water withdrawal project to supply up to 28 mg/30 days of water to the applicant's distribution system from new Well Nos. 14, 15 and 16, and to increase the existing withdrawal limit of 68.7 mg/30 days from all wells to 77 mg/30 days. The project is located in Medford Township, Burlington County, New Jersey.

10. *City of Millville D-96-5 CP*. An application for approval of a ground water withdrawal project to supply up to 43.2 mg/30 days of water to the applicant's distribution system from new Well No. 17, and to retain the existing withdrawal limit from all wells of 200 mg/30 days. The project is located in the City of Millville, Cumberland County, New Jersey.

11. *Borough of Pemberton D-96-7 CP*. An application for approval of a ground water withdrawal project to supply up to 10.5 mg/30 days of water to the applicant's distribution system from new Well Nos. 4 and 5, and to limit the withdrawal limit from all wells to 10.5 mg/30 days. The project is located in Pemberton Borough, Burlington County, New Jersey.

12. *Keystone Hollow Corporation D-96-14*. An application for approval of a ground water withdrawal project to supply up to 12 mg/30 days of water to the applicant's Great Bear Golf and Country Club irrigation system from new Well Nos. 1, 2 and 3, and to limit the withdrawal from all wells and ponds to mg/30 days. The project is located in Middle Smithfield Township, Monroe County, Pennsylvania.

13. *Borough of Bowmanstown D-96-22 CP*. A project to construct a 0.2 mgd sewage treatment plant (STP) to serve the Borough of Bowmanstown in Carbon County, PA. The proposed STP will provide secondary biological treatment utilizing the activated sludge sequencing batch reactor process. The STP will be located just off Lincoln Avenue on the east side of the Lehigh River to which the treated effluent will discharge after chlorination.

14. *Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources D-96-23 CP*. A project to modify the applicant's existing 0.2 mgd STP serving the Nockamixon State park in Bedminster, East Rockhill, Haycock and Nockamixon Townships, all in Bucks County, PA. The existing extended aeration activated sludge secondary biological treatment process will be changed to a sequencing batch reactor type activated sludge process. The STP is situated downstream of the Tohickon Dam and will continue to discharge to Tohickon Creek just downstream of the