

to the committee, in response to the stated agenda of the open meeting or in regard to the committee's mission in general. Written comments or statements should be submitted to Mrs. Ghostlaw, the committee Designated Federal Officer, via electronic mail, the preferred mode of submission, at the address listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section. Each page of the comment or statement must include the author's name, title or affiliation, address, and daytime phone number. Written comments or statements being submitted in response to the agenda set forth in this notice must be received by the Designated Federal Official at least seven business days prior to the meeting to be considered by the committee. The Designated Federal Official will review all timely submitted written comments or statements with the committee Chairperson, and ensure the comments are provided to all members of the committee before the meeting. Written comments or statements received after this date may not be provided to the committee until its next meeting. Pursuant to 41 CFR 102–3.140d, the committee is not obligated to allow a member of the public to speak or otherwise address the committee during the meeting. Members of the public will be permitted to make verbal comments during the committee meeting only at the time and in the manner described below. If a member of the public is interested in making a verbal comment at the open meeting, that individual must submit a request, with a brief statement of the subject matter, to be addressed by the comment, at least three (3) business days in advance to the committee's Designated Federal Official, via electronic mail, the preferred mode of submission, at the address listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section. The Designated Federal Official will log each request, in the order received, and in consultation with the committee Chairperson, determine whether the subject matter of each comment is relevant to the committee's mission and/or the topics to be addressed in this public meeting. A 15-minute period near the end of the meeting will be available for verbal public comments. Members of the public who have requested to make a verbal comment and whose comments have been deemed relevant under the process described above will be allotted no more than three (3) minutes during this period, and will be invited to speak in the order in which their requests

were received by the Designated Federal Official.

**Brenda S. Bowen,**

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Department of the Army

#### Performance Review Board Membership

**AGENCY:** Department of the Army, DoD.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Performance Review Board Membership list published in the **Federal Register** on Friday, October 17, 2014 (79 FR 62432) is amended to include the following individual: Mr. Gabriel O. Camarillo, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Army (Acquisition, Logistics and Technology), Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Army (Acquisition, Logistics and Technology).

The Department of the Army Performance Review Board will be composed of a subset of the individuals listed here and in the **Federal Register** on October 17, 2014.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Barbara Smith, Civilian Senior Leader Management Office, 111 Army Pentagon, Washington, DC 20310–0111.

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Department of the Army; Corps of Engineers

#### Notice of Availability—Final Environmental Impact Statement for Revised Water Control Manuals for the Alabama-Coosa-Tallapoosa River Basin

**AGENCY:** Department of the Army, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, DoD.

**ACTION:** Notice of availability.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Mobile District (USACE), has released a Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) for the update of the Alabama-Coosa-Tallapoosa River Basin (ACT) Water Control Master Manual (Master Manual). USACE will accept comments during a public comment period that began with the Notice of Availability

published by the Environmental Protection Agency on November 7, 2014 and will end 30 days after that date.

**DATES:** Comments on the FEIS are due by December 8, 2014 and should be submitted as indicated in the

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Lewis Sumner at telephone (251) 694–3857.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Master Manual includes appendices prepared for individual projects in the ACT Basin and is the guide used by USACE to operate a system of five federal reservoir projects in the basin—Allatoona Dam and Lake, Carters Dam and Lake and Carters Reregulation Dam, Robert F. Henry Lock and Dam and R.E. “Bob” Woodruff Lake, Millers Ferry Lock and Dam and William “Bill” Dannelly Lake, and Claiborne Lock and Dam and Lake. Alabama Power Company (APC) regulates four non-federal projects—Weiss Dam and Lake, Logan Martin Dam and Lake, Neely Henry Dam and Lake, and R.L. Harris Dam and Lake—in compliance with the projects’ Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) licenses and in accordance with USACE water control plans for flood risk management regulation and navigation support. The updated ACT Master Manual includes appendices prepared for two of the four APC projects for which USACE has authority for flood risk management and navigation support—Neely Henry and R.L. Harris. Water Control Manuals for the remaining two APC projects—Weiss and Logan Martin—will be addressed later.

USACE has updated the water control plans and manuals for the ACT Basin in order to improve operations for authorized purposes to reflect changed conditions since the manuals were last developed. The purpose and need for the updated Master Manual is to determine how operations in the federal projects in the ACT Basin should be adjusted to meet their authorized purposes, in light of current conditions and applicable law and to implement those operations through updated water control plans and manuals. The updated plans and manuals comply with existing USACE regulations and reflect operations under existing congressional authorizations, taking into account changes in basin hydrology and demands from years of growth and development, new/rehabilitated structural features, legal developments, and environmental issues.

USACE regulations also provide specific policy and guidance for inclusion of drought contingency plans

as part of USACE's overall water control management activities in the basin. To assure effectiveness, the drought plan incorporates a comprehensive, basin-wide approach that considers the interrelationship of USACE projects and APC projects and the proposed drought plan was developed in collaboration with APC.

USACE's objectives for the Master Manual update were to develop a water control plan that meets the existing water resources needs of the basin, fulfills its responsibilities in operating for the authorized project purposes, and complies with all pertinent laws. The FEIS presents the results of USACE's analysis of the environmental effects of the Proposed Action Alternative (PAA) that the USACE believes would most effectively accomplish these objectives.

USACE evaluated an array of potential water management alternatives during the Master Manual update process, resulting in the selection of the PAA. One alternative available to USACE would be to continue with current operations. This approach is termed the No Action Alternative (NAA). Neither the PAA nor the NAA would alter existing water supply storage allocations or operations for flood risk management, fish spawning, or fish passage.

The proposed action does not include the building, installing, or upgrading of any facilities. USACE will not modify any authorized project purpose via this action, although the extent to which some can be achieved may be affected. This action is limited to the way reservoir levels are managed and water is released from them.

The Final EIS responds to, and incorporates agency and public comments received on the Draft EIS, which was available for public review from February 2013 through April 2013. Four public meetings were held on March 25th through 28th, 2013, and a cumulative total of 129 persons attended these workshops, either representing various agencies and organizations or as interested individual citizens. Seventy (70) comments on the draft EIS were submitted by agencies (Federal, state, and local), private organizations, and individuals. The USACE responses to substantive agency and public comments are provided in Appendix B of the FEIS.

USACE incorporated pertinent revisions and updates to the EIS WCM based on input received during the public review process. The key revisions and updates to the draft documents included in the final EIS for the WCM update include:

- The baseline condition for analysis of alternatives was revised to reflect actual withdrawals by Cobb County-Marietta Water Authority (CCMWA) and city of Cartersville from Allatoona Lake as well as the City of Chatsworth from Carters Lake. As presented in the draft EIS, withdrawals from the reservoirs by these entities had been limited to the volume of water in the current water supply storage agreements. For purposes of the Hydrologic Engineering Center's River Simulation (HEC-ResSim) model, "actual withdrawals" are represented by actual water use reported throughout the basin in 2006, rather than the volume of water in the current storage agreements. The actual withdrawal amounts in 2006 are the highest levels of net water supply withdrawal reported basin-wide and represent the greatest stress placed on the system to date from withdrawals.

- Based on further review of available data during and following the comment period for the draft EIS, USACE determined that revisions of the navigation "template" would be appropriate. The navigation template provides the technical information upon which flow requirements necessary to maintain navigable channel depths in the Alabama River are based. The HEC-ResSim model for the ACT Basin was updated to incorporate these revisions.

- Provisions for operation of the recently completed Hickory Log Creek reservoir, as permitted in the Section 404 permit for the project (2004), were incorporated into the HEC-ResSim model. The Hickory Log Creek reservoir operation was not considered as part of the baseline condition but was included in the simulation of the WCM update alternatives. The final EIS includes an updated description of Hickory Log Creek reservoir and its relationship to the ACT WCM update.

- The hydrologic period of record for HEC-ResSim model simulation for the ACT WCM update process was extended from 70 years (1939–2008) to 73 years (1939–2011).

- Based on the HEC-ResSim model updates described above, model simulations were re-run for the water management alternatives considered in the draft EIS (No Action, Alternative D, Alternative F, and Alternative G (Proposed Action), and the Environmental Consequences were updated accordingly.

- In order to better understand the sensitivity of the Proposed Action Alternative to the potential implications of climate change and increased future water demands in the ACT Basin, model simulations were conducted to address (1) projected increases in long-range

water supply demands in the basin, (2) potential for a long term reduction in rainfall in the basin due to climate change, and (3) potential for increased air temperature due to climate change. Both HEC-ResSim and HEC-5Q were run to compare the Proposed Action to these scenarios. These scenarios, the associated sensitivity analyses, and potential effects are discussed in the Final EIS.

- The FERC license for Coosa River Projects was finalized and issued in June 2013, following the publication and review of the draft EIS for the ACT WCM update. The EIS document was updated accordingly, including discussion of the pertinent effects of the June 2013 FERC license on the ACT WCM update process.

- The EIS was updated to include a description of the most recent activities by non-Federal hydropower interests and FERC related to potential development of non-Federal hydropower facilities at Carters Reregulation Dam and Claiborne Lock and Dam.

- Other minor corrections and updates were incorporated into the final EIS based on public comments and new information.

#### Document Availability

The FEIS and appendices are available to the public for review in the following formats:

- Online as PDF documents at [www.sam.usace.army.mil/Missions/PlanningEnvironmental/ACTMasterWaterControlManualUpdate/ACTDocumentLibrary.aspx](http://www.sam.usace.army.mil/Missions/PlanningEnvironmental/ACTMasterWaterControlManualUpdate/ACTDocumentLibrary.aspx).

- As a CD when requested in writing to: Commander, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Mobile District, Attn: PD-EI (ACT-DEIS), P.O. Box 2288, Mobile, AL 36628.

#### Public Review and Comment

USACE recognizes that the decisions made concerning revisions to the water control operations at USACE projects within the ACT Basin will have wide-ranging effects and encourages the public to submit comments on the content of the DEIS. All persons and organizations that have a potential interest in the proposed action, including minority, low-income, disadvantaged, and Native American groups, are urged to participate in this NEPA environmental analysis process by reviewing the FEIS and submitting comments for consideration.

Comments may be submitted via the following methods:

- Online at [www.sam.usace.army.mil/Missions/](http://www.sam.usace.army.mil/Missions/)

*PlanningEnvironmental/*  
*ACTMasterWaterControlManualUpdate.*

- By emailing [act-wcm@usace.army.mil](mailto:act-wcm@usace.army.mil).
- By letter addressed to: Commander, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Mobile District, Attn: PD-EI (ACT-DEIS), P.O. Box 2288, Mobile, AL 36628.

Further information regarding the update of the Master Manual, including all available documents, background and historical information, and updates is available online at the Web site given above.

#### Next Steps

No sooner than 30 days after filing the final EIS with USEPA and publication of the EPA Notice of Availability for the FEIS in the **Federal Register**, USACE will prepare a Record of Decision (ROD) which documents the final decision on the proposed action in regard to the update of the ACT Basin Master WCM and the individual project WCMs, summarize alternatives that were considered and relevant factors that were balanced in making the decision, and identify means that have been adopted to mitigate for adverse effects. USACE will notify the public of the ROD in a newsletter distribution to the project mailing list, press releases to local newspapers radio and television news, and on the project Web site.

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Department of the Army; Corps of Engineers

#### Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement, Initiate the Public Scoping Period and Host Public Scoping Meetings for West Facilities Modernization, St. Louis, Missouri, Metropolitan Area

**AGENCY:** Department of the Army, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, DoD.

**ACTION:** Notice of intent.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA), as amended, the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency (NGA) announces its intent to prepare an environmental impact statement (EIS) to analyze potential impacts to the quality of the human environment resulting from the proposed construction and operation of new, modern facilities in the St. Louis metropolitan area. The

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), Kansas City District, will be the project manager for this EIS. This notice informs the public of the proposed action, announces the public scoping process, and solicits public comments to identify issues related to the proposed project.

**DATES:** The public scoping period begins with the publication of this notice in the **Federal Register** and will continue until January 19, 2015. All comments submitted or postmarked by January 19, 2015 will be considered in defining the scope of the EIS. Comments submitted or postmarked after that date will be considered to the extent practicable. For public scoping meetings, see **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** To provide written comments on the EIS, request to be added to the project mailing list, or for further information or questions about the EIS process, please contact Ms. Amy Blair, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Kansas City District by telephone at (816) 389-3393, by mail at Room 529, 601 E. 12th Street, Kansas City, MO 64106, or by electronic mail at [NextNGAWest@usace.army.mil](mailto:NextNGAWest@usace.army.mil).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency delivers geospatial intelligence, or GEOINT, that provides a decisive advantage to warfighters, policymakers, intelligence professionals and first responders. Both an intelligence agency and combat support agency, NGA fulfills the president's national security priorities in partnership with the intelligence community and the Department of Defense. NGA is headquartered in Springfield, Va., and has two major locations in St. Louis and Arnold, MO.

NGA is pursuing construction and operation of a modern facility in the St. Louis metropolitan area to better support its mission to provide timely, relevant, and accurate geospatial intelligence in support of national security. The proposed new facility will support NGA's current mission, improve its resiliency, and address challenges associated with its current facility located on Second Street in the city of St. Louis, including physical constraints and security requirements. The EIS will evaluate and disclose the impacts of constructing a new replacement facility and relocating NGA operations at alternative sites, in addition to a No Action Alternative.

*No Action Alternative:* The EIS will analyze the No Action Alternative, under which no new construction or relocation will occur.

The Proposed Action will be to construct a new, modern West Facility in the St. Louis metropolitan area.

Alternatives will be developed during and following the public scoping period, and will consist of alternative sites for the new facility. The following six proposed site locations were initially identified through a site location study:

- Fenton: 1050 Dodge Drive, Fenton, MO (southwest of St. Louis);
- Mehlville: 13045 Tesson Ferry Road, St. Louis, MO (south of St. Louis);
- NorthPark: 4800 N. Hanley Road, St. Louis (Ferguson), MO (northwest of St. Louis);
- North St. Louis City: Near the intersections of Cass and North Jefferson Avenues;
- St. Clair County: Along Interstate (I-64), adjacent to the northeast boundary of Scott Air Force Base (AFB), Illinois (east of St. Louis); and
- Weldon Spring: 4700 Technology Drive, Weldon Spring, MO (northwest of St. Louis).

Two of the six sites have since been removed from consideration. A portion of the NorthPark location has been sold and the remaining land does not meet NGA's requirements. Additionally, the Weldon Spring location is no longer under consideration based on master planning review.

*Scoping:* Public scoping is being conducted through January 19, 2015, to provide the public with an opportunity to offer input on the scope of issues to be addressed and to identify issues related to the proposed action and alternative sites. As part of public scoping, NGA and the Corps of Engineers plan to hold three public scoping meetings in early December 2014. The dates and locations of the scoping meetings and other opportunities for public participation in the EIS process will be announced through news media in the St. Louis metropolitan area.

In addition to complying with NEPA and DoD planning guidance, scoping will be used to partially fulfill the public participation requirements of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA). Except where subject to the confidentiality provision of Section 304 of the NHPA, all comments received during scoping will become part of a project administrative record and may be included as an appendix to the EIS. A Draft EIS is