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of Engineers
Baltimore District

Public Notice

In Reply to Application Number
CENAB-OP-RMS(CH GOVT/CROSS COUNTY CONNECTOR, PHASES 5, 6&7/RD
XING & BRIDGE)2005-60531



Maryland Department of
the Environment

PN# 08-43 Revised

COMMENT PERIOD: June 30, 2008 to September 15, 2008

THE PURPOSE OF THIS NOTICE IS TO SOLICIT COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC ABOUT THE PROPOSED WORK DESCRIBED BELOW AND TO ANNOUNCE AN EXTENSION OF THE JOINT PUBLIC HEARING COMMENT PERIOD. AT THIS TIME, NO DECISION HAS BEEN MADE AS TO WHETHER OR NOT A PERMIT WILL BE ISSUED.

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (COE) and Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE) joint public hearing was held on Thursday, July 31, 2008, at the Charles County Government Building Auditorium, 200 Baltimore Street, La Plata, Maryland. A copy of the Joint COE/MDE public notice, issued June 30, 2008, can be viewed at the following web address: <http://www.nab.usace.army.mil/Regulatory/PublicNotice/Charles/05-60531.pdf>.

Governmental agencies and numerous concerned organizations/citizens have made requests to extend the public notice comment period to allow more time to review the voluminous environmental documents and large scale plans for this proposed project. Accordingly, we have considered this request and determined that the public notice comment period should be extended an additional 30 days to allow sufficient time for review and comment. All comments received will become part of the formal project record. Copies of any written statements expressing concern for aquatic resources may also be submitted to:

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The revised COE/MDE public hearing comment period closes on **September 15, 2008**.

Pursuant to making a permit decision for this project, the Corps will ensure that the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) are fulfilled; however, no decision has been made at this time concerning compliance with NEPA. Charles County has prepared environmental documents for this proposed project. These reports may be viewed on-line by going to a County FTP web address. The address for the County environmental document and the recently released supplement to this report is:

http://www.charlescounty.org/pgm/planning/publications/nepa/11_1996_Nepa_Report.pdf

http://www.charlescounty.org/pgm/planning/publications/nepa/01_Submittal.pdf

Large scale plans are available for review by appointment at either the Charles County or COE offices.

We request that you communicate the foregoing information concerning the proposed work to any interested persons known by you who did not receive a copy of this notice.

