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U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and state and local partners hold public meeting to address Anacostia Watershed Restoration Plan

BALTIMORE — The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Baltimore District, along with state and local partners, will host a public meeting May 13 at 7 p.m. at the Maryland National Capital Park and Planning Commission's Montgomery County offices, located at 8787 Georgia Avenue in Silver Spring, Md. The purpose of the meeting is to gather input from the public in order for the Corps and their state and local partners to develop a restoration plan for the Anacostia River Watershed. At the meeting, representatives from the cooperating agencies and organizations will provide the public with background information, study methods and objectives.

The restoration plan, initiated in September 2007, will define the existing conditions, identify specific problems and recommend actions to improve the ecological health of the watershed and its tributaries. A draft report framework that includes a proposed plan to restore the Sligo Creek subwatershed is scheduled to be available for public review in November 2008.

The public meeting will provide residents the opportunity to give input and ask questions about improving, protecting and restoring the watershed. Presenters will provide an overview of the objectives for the restoration plan and the methods that are being used to develop restoration strategies.

State and local partners include District of Columbia, Montgomery County, Prince George's County, Maryland Department of Natural Resources, Maryland Department of the Environment, Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission and the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments.

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