



# SPECIAL PUBLIC NOTICE

U.S. Army Corps  
of Engineers  
Vicksburg District

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## INFORMATIONAL PUBLIC NOTICE – PROPOSAL

### MISSISSIPPI REGIONAL CONDITIONS REQUEST FOR COMMENTS

On September 15, 2020, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) published in the Federal Register its proposal to reissue the 52 existing nationwide permits (NWP) and issue five new NWP. Nationwide permits are general permits issued on a nationwide basis to streamline the authorization of activities that result in no more than minimal individual and cumulative adverse environmental effects. Many of the proposed NWP require notification to the district engineer before commencing those activities, to ensure that the activities authorized by those NWP cause no more than minimal individual and cumulative adverse environmental effects.

#### **Regional Issues Concerning the Proposed NWP, Including Regional Conditioning:**

Division engineers are authorized to add regional conditions specific to the needs and/or requirements of a particular region or state. Regional conditions are an important mechanism to help ensure that the adverse environmental effects of activities authorized by the NWP are no more than minimal, both individually and cumulatively. Division engineers may also suspend or revoke specific NWP in certain geographic areas (e.g., states or watersheds) or high-value aquatic systems where the adverse environmental effects caused by activities authorized by those NWP may be more than minimal. As the lead Corps district for the State of Mississippi, the Vicksburg District is not proposing to add regional conditions specific to Mississippi. The Vicksburg District is seeking comments on the need for regional conditions to help ensure that the adverse environmental effects of activities authorized by the proposed NWP are no more than minimal, individually and cumulatively to the resources in Mississippi. Comments on regional issues relating to the proposed use of the NWP in Mississippi should be forwarded via email to: [GeneralPermitReissuance@usace.army.mil](mailto:GeneralPermitReissuance@usace.army.mil); or by hard copy to: USACE, Vicksburg District, ATTN: Regulatory Division, 4155 Clay Street, Vicksburg, Mississippi 39183-3435. Comments relating to regional conditions are due by October 30, 2020.

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