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# PUBLIC NOTICE

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**Vicksburg District  
Permit Application No. MVK-2010-397**

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: The Vicksburg District of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) has received an application for a Department of the Army permit pursuant to Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. §1344) **and/or** Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899 (33 U.S.C. §403). The purpose of this public notice is to solicit comments from the public regarding the work described below:

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**WATERWAY AND LOCATION:** The project would affect waters of the United States associated with the Red River. The project/review area is located on the West side of the Red River, Shreveport Louisiana in 25 Section, 18N Township, 14W Range; at Latitude 32.52648N and Longitude -93.74629 in Bossier Parish, Louisiana.

**EXISTING CONDITIONS:** The section of river that would be impacted by the proposed dredging is a maintained and controlled stretch of river that runs through Shreveport, Louisiana and is partially bordered by federal levees. The proposed "north site" property is a previously disturbed but undeveloped tract of land within Shreveport bordering the downtown airport, highway, and Red River. It is dominated by scrub shrub vegetation and largely consists of uplands.

**PROJECT PURPOSE:** Construction of a sand processing facility, and development of a sand dredging operation within the Red River.

**Basic:** Construction of sand mining/processing facility.

**Overall:** Construction of a sand mining and processing facility to extract sand from the Red River in the Shreveport, Louisiana area.

**PROPOSED WORK:** The applicant requests authorization for the dredging of a section 10 waterway (Red River) and the development of a sand and gravel processing facility.

The proposed work area encompasses 2 dredging areas across approximately 3 miles of river in addition to the “North Bank” property owned by Cutbank which would be developed into a sand processing facility. As part of the development of the “North Bank” property, all proposed work would avoid impacts to section 404 waters of the U.S. Impacts from the proposed work would include impacts to approximately 57 acres of section 10 waters of the U.S. (dredging) and approximately 0.016 acres of section 10 waters of the U.S. (structure).

**AVOIDANCE AND MINIMIZATION:** The site chosen for the processing facility has little jurisdictional waters present, and the proposed work has been designed to avoid impacts to any 404 resources present on site.

**COMPENSATORY MITIGATION:** The applicant has provided the following explanation why compensatory mitigation should not be required: It is not anticipated that this permit will require compensatory mitigation since there would be no deposition of dredged or fill material into section 10 or 404 jurisdictional wetlands or streams.

**CULTURAL RESOURCES:**

The Corps is evaluating the undertaking for effects to historic properties as required under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. This public notice serves to inform the public of the proposed undertaking and invites comments including those from local, State, and Federal government Agencies with respect to historic resources. Our final determination relative to historic resource impacts may be subject to additional coordination with the State Historic Preservation Officer, federally recognized tribes and other interested parties.

The District Engineer’s final eligibility and effect determination will be made with full consideration given to the proposed undertaking’s potential direct and indirect effects on historic properties within the Corps-identified permit area.

**ENDANGERED SPECIES:** The Corps has performed an initial review of the application utilizing the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) Information for Planning and Consultation (IPaC), to determine if any threatened, endangered, proposed, or candidate species, as well as proposed and final designated critical habitat may occur in the vicinity of the proposed project. Based on this initial review, the Corps has made a preliminary determination that the proposed project will not affect any listed species or critical habitat.

Red Cockaded Woodpecker – No Effect, Per USACE IPaC agreement

Pursuant to Section 7 ESA, any required consultation with the Service(s) will be conducted in accordance with 50 CFR part 402.

The US Army Corps of Engineers is the lead Federal agency for ESA consultation for the proposed action. Any required consultation will be completed by the US Army Corps of Engineers.

This notice serves as request to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service for any additional information on whether any listed or proposed to be listed endangered or threatened species or critical habitat may be present in the area which would be affected by the proposed activity.

**ESSENTIAL FISH HABITAT:** Pursuant to the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act 1996, the Corps reviewed the project area, examined information provided by the applicant, and consulted available species information.

The Corps has determined the proposal would have no effect on any Essential Fish Habitat (EFH) [no EFH identified at the location]. Therefore, no consultation with the National Marine Fisheries Service on EFH as required by the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act 1996 is required.

**NAVIGATION:** The proposed dredging would occur within a federal navigation channel.

**SECTION 408:** The applicant will require permission under Section 14 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899 (33 USC 408) because the activity, in whole or in part, would alter, occupy, or use a Corps Civil Works project.

**WATER QUALITY CERTIFICATION:** Water Quality Certification may be required from the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality to certify that the described work will comply with the State's water quality standards and effluent limitations before a Corp's permit is issued.

**NOTE:** This public notice is being issued based on information furnished by the applicant. This information has not been verified or evaluated to ensure compliance with laws and regulation governing the regulatory program. The geographic extent of aquatic resources within the proposed project area that either are, or are presumed to be, within the Corps jurisdiction has been verified by Corps personnel.

**EVALUATION:** The decision whether to issue a permit will be based on an evaluation of the probable impact including cumulative impacts of the proposed activity on the public interest. That decision will reflect the national concern for both protection and utilization of important resources. The benefits, which reasonably may be expected to accrue from the proposal, must be balanced against its reasonably foreseeable detriments.

All factors which may be relevant to the proposal will be considered including cumulative impacts thereof; among these are conservation, economics, esthetics, general environmental concerns, wetlands, historical properties, fish and wildlife values, flood hazards, floodplain values, land use, navigation, shoreline erosion and accretion, recreation, water supply and conservation, water quality, energy needs, safety, food, fiber production, mineral needs, considerations of property ownership, and in general, the needs and welfare of the people. Evaluation of the impact of the activity on the public interest will also include application of the guidelines promulgated by the Administrator, EPA, under authority of Section 404(b) of the Clean Water Act or the criteria established under authority of Section 102(a) of the Marine Protection Research and Sanctuaries Act of 1972. A permit will be granted unless its issuance is found to be contrary to the public interest.

**COMMENTS:** The Corps is soliciting comments from the public; Federal, State, and local agencies and officials, Indian Tribes and other Interested parties in order to consider and evaluate the impacts of this proposed activity. Any comments received will be considered by the Corps to determine whether to issue, modify, condition, or deny a permit for this proposal. To make this determination, comments are used to assess impacts to endangered species, historic properties, water quality, general environmental effects, and the other public interest factors listed above. Comments are used in the preparation of an Environmental Assessment (EA) and/or an Environmental Impact Statement pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). Comments are also used to determine the need for a public hearing and to determine the overall public interest of the proposed activity.

The Vicksburg District will receive written comments on the proposed work, as outlined above, until June 19, 2025. Comments should be submitted electronically via the Regulatory Request System (RRS) at <https://rrs.usace.army.mil/rrs> or to William Pigott at William.L.Pigott@usace.army.mil. Please refer to the permit application number in your comments.

Any person may request, in writing, within the comment period specified in this notice, that a public hearing be held to consider the application. Requests for public hearings shall state, with particularity, the reasons for holding a public hearing. Requests for a public hearing will be granted, unless the District Engineer determines that the issues raised are insubstantial or there is otherwise no valid interest to be served by a hearing.



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