



Civil Works Branch

Public Notice

Alaska District
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

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**Letter Report
Environmental Assessment
And Finding of No Significant Impact
City Shoreline Emergency Bank Stabilization
Dillingham, Alaska**

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Alaska District (Corps) proposes to construct revetments on the West Side and City Dock Side of the Dillingham Small Boat Harbor entrance channel to protect riverbanks from accelerated erosion. The Corps also proposes to construct a breakwater perpendicular to the Nushagak River and 50 degrees to the west revetment to prevent waves from eroding riverbanks within the harbor. Erosion protection structures on the West and City Dock Side of the harbor would include approximately 1,950 linear feet of rock revetment and 371 linear feet of rock breakwater.

Information on the proposed action, alternatives considered, and anticipated environmental effects are discussed in the enclosed environmental assessment (EA). The EA and unsigned finding of no significant impact (FONSI) are provided for your review and comment in compliance with the Council on Environmental Quality's regulations for implementing the procedural provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA).

The comment period will close on January 31, 2009. Written comments received on or before this date will become part of the official record and will be considered in the determination. A public meeting for this action will be held in Dillingham in January. The FONSI will be signed upon review of comments received and resolution of significant objections. Please submit comments regarding the proposed action to the address below:

U.S Army Engineer District, Alaska
ATTN: CEPOA-EN-CW-ER (McConnell)
P.O. Box 6898
Elmendorf AFB, Alaska 99506

The Corps is also applying for a State certification from the Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation under Section 401 of the Clean Water Act of 1977 (PL 95-217) that the discharge from the Corps project as described would comply with the Clean Water Act, the Alaska Water Quality Standards, and other applicable State laws.

Any person wishing to comment on the project with respect to Water Quality Certification may submit written comments within 30 days of this public notice to:

Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation
WQM/401 Certification
555 Cordova Street
Anchorage, AK 99501-2617
Telephone: (907) 269-7564
FAX (907) 269-7508

After reviewing the application, the department may certify that there is reasonable assurance that the activity, and any discharge that might result, would comply with the Clean Water Act, the Alaska Water Quality Standards, and other applicable laws. The department also may deny or waive certification.

Please contact Mr. Guy McConnell of the Environmental Resources Section at (907) 753-2614 or write to the Corps address if you would like further information concerning the proposed work. Comments or requests for additional information may also be submitted electronically to the e-mail address: guy.r.mcconnell@usace.army.mil

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