



**US Army Corps
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Alaska District

Environmental Resources Section

Public Notice

Alaska District
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

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The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) has prepared an environmental assessment (EA) and draft Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) for the following project:

**Maintenance Dredging
Elfin Cove Navigation Channels
Elfin Cove, Alaska**

These documents describe the proposed maintenance dredging of the Elfin Cove Navigation Channels at Elfin Cove, Alaska, and assess the potential environmental impacts. The proposed action is to dredge an estimated 9,000 cubic yards of material from the navigation channels in Elfin Cove. The dredged material would be transported by barge and disposed of approximately four miles away in Port Althorp.

The enclosed EA and draft FONSI is available for public review and comment for **30** days from the date of this notice. It may also be viewed on the Alaska District's website at: www.poa.usace.army.mil. Click on the Reports and Studies button, look under Documents Available for Public Review, and then click on the Operations and Maintenance link.

To obtain a printed copy, please send a request via email to: Christopher.A.Hoffman@usace.army.mil or send a request to the address below. The FONSI will be signed upon review of comments received and resolution of significant concerns. Please submit comments regarding the proposed action to the above email or to the following address:

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Alaska District
ATTN: CEPOA-PM-C-ER
P.O. Box 6898
Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson, Alaska 99506-0898

For information on the proposed project, please contact Chris Hoffman of the Environmental Resources Section at the above email or Corps postal address.

STATE OF ALASKA WATER QUALITY CERTIFICATION

Notice is hereby given that the Corps will be applying for State Water Quality certification from the Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation (ADEC). ADEC may certify there is a reasonable assurance this proposed action and any discharge that might result will comply with the Clean Water Act, Alaska Water Quality Standards, and other applicable State laws. ADEC's certification may authorize a mixing zone and/or a short-term variance under 18 AAC 70, Water Quality Standards, amended as of April 6, 2018. ADEC may also deny or waive certification. Any person desiring to comment on the project with respect to Water Quality Certification may submit written comments to the address below or to the email address dec-401cert@alaska.gov within **30** days of the date of this Public Notice. Mailed comments must be postmarked on or before the last day of the public comment period.

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Sincerely,



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