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The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Alaska District (USACE), has prepared a Draft Integrated Feasibility Report and Supplemental Environmental Assessment for the following project:

**Port of Nome Modification
Nome, Alaska**

The proposed project and initial analysis of potential environmental impacts are described in the draft report. The report evaluates six structural alternatives, as well as the no-action alternative, proposed to improve navigational efficiencies at the Port of Nome. The recommended plan would extend the existing west causeway by 3,484 feet; remove the existing east breakwater and replace it with a new 3,900-foot causeway; deepen the existing Outer Basin to 28 feet below mean lower low water (MLLW); create a Deep Water Basin to 40 feet below MLLW; and construct 5 new docks. Dredged material would be placed to augment the beach along the toe of the Nome seawall.

The public and agency comment period on the draft report extends for 30 days from the date of this Public Notice. The report may be viewed on the Alaska District's website at: www.poa.usace.army.mil. Click on the *Reports and Studies* button on the right-hand sidebar, look under *Documents Available for Public Review*, then click on the *Civil Works* link.

Comments on the draft report may be submitted in writing to the postal address below, or by email to Mr. Brent Howard at brent.s.howard@usace.army.mil.

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STATE OF ALASKA WATER QUALITY CERTIFICATION

Notice is hereby given that the USACE will be reapplying 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. 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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For information on the proposed project, please contact Mr. Brent Howard, Project Manager, at brent.s.howard@usace.army.mil or 907-753-5729.

Very Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Bruce Sexauer', with a large, stylized initial 'B'.

Bruce Sexauer, P.E.
Chief, Civil Works Branch