

RESTORATION PLANNING SCOPING NOTICE  
LCP Chemicals  
Brunswick, GA  
May 31, 2006

The Georgia Department of Natural Resources, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration of the United States Department of Commerce, and the United States Department of the Interior, acting by and through the United States Fish and Wildlife Service, acting as Natural Resource Trustees (collectively, "the Trustees") are conducting a Natural Resource Damage Assessment at the site of the former LCP Chemicals Plant in Brunswick, GA.

The LCP site contains uplands and marsh immediately northwest of the city of Brunswick, Glynn County, Georgia. The LCP Site has contained various industries since the early 1920s including an oil refinery, an electric power plant, a facility for the manufacture and distribution of paint, and a chlor-alkali plant that manufactured chlorine, caustic soda, and hydrogen. All industrial activity at the site ceased on February 1, 1994. During its history, hazardous substances have been either discharged to or have otherwise become located in the tidal marsh and uplands portions of the LCP Site property. The damage and injury to, destruction of, or loss of natural resources and/or natural resource services resulting from the release of hazardous substances from the LCP Site are being investigated under an agreement between the Trustees and Honeywell International Inc., one of the responsible parties for the site. The responsible parties have conducted an emergency removal action under the U. S. Environmental Protection Agency's Superfund Program at the site.

As part of the Natural Resource Damage Assessment process the Trustees are in the early phases of a Restoration Planning process focused on the identification and analysis of potential restoration projects to make the public and environment whole for injuries that may have occurred as a result of contamination from the site.

At this time, the trustees are formally requesting ideas for restoration projects from the public. Governmental organizations, non-profits, advocacy groups, corporations, and members of the public are encouraged to submit ideas for potential restoration projects to be considered by the

Trustees. Proposals for projects will be compiled and screened for applicability and feasibility, (further project development may be initiated as needed). Ultimately projects will be formally evaluated using the criteria set forth in 43 C.F.R. § 11.82(c)(d) and then presented to the public for comment as part of a Restoration and Compensation Determination Plan / Environmental Assessment.

Examples of the types of restoration frequently considered include: Habitat Restoration and Creation (Marsh, Oyster Reefs, Bird Nesting & Feeding Areas, etc), Enhancement of Public Access to Resources (Fishing Piers, Boat Ramps, etc), Education/Enforcement Activities, and Land/Development Rights Acquisition. Please note that all proposed project(s) should be located in the State of Georgia and preferably in the Brunswick, Glynn County area.

The Trustees are still early in the Natural Resource Damage Assessment process and this project solicitation is for initial project development purposes only. It is unclear as to when formal restoration project selection will occur. Individuals submitting project ideas will be informed as the process moves forward and subsequent notices will be published in the *Georgia Times Union* and the *Brunswick News*.

Potential projects may, but need not be submitted to the Trustees on the Natural Resource Damage Assessment Restoration Project Information Sheet. This form may be found at (<http://www.darrp.noaa.gov/southeast/lcp/index.html>) and may be submitted in hard copy or electronically as described in the included Respondent Note. If you are unable to obtain the form from the website and/or you have further questions regarding the process please contact:

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