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**TO INTERESTED PARTIES**

An Environmental Assessment (EA) and draft Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) for the Federal assumption of maintenance at Bayou Lafourche, Louisiana, prepared by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps), is available for your review. This document describes the impacts of the assumption of maintenance of the navigation channel at Bayou Lafourche, Louisiana, by the Federal government. This notice is being posted per compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act.

The Greater Lafourche Port Commission (GLPC) currently maintains dredging activities for 6,000 linear feet of channel of Bayou Lafourche, Louisiana. Pursuant to section 5001 of the Water Resources Development Act of 2007, the GLPC requested the Secretary of the Army consider Federal assumption of maintenance of the channel. The proposed action is for the Corps to assume the maintenance dredging activities for the 6,000 linear foot section of Bayou Lafourche currently maintained by the GLPC, referred to as the "Extension Channel". The Extension Channel is located immediately north of the federally authorized portion of Bayou Lafourche. The Extension Channel is 300 feet wide and maintained to a depth of 24 feet below MLLW, dredging approximately 400,000 cubic yards every five years. The dredged material would be placed at the Northern Beneficial Use Dredged Material Disposal Area or the Shoreline Disposal Site, depending upon the quality of the dredged material and capacity of the placement areas at the time.

Copies of the Environmental Assessment and Draft Finding of No Significant Impact for the Federal Assumption of Maintenance of Bayou Lafourche, Louisiana and supporting documents are available upon request. Comments, requests, or questions should be mailed to the attention of Mr. Charles D. Hanneken; U.S. Army Corps of Engineers; Mississippi Valley Regional Integration Team CECW-MVD; 441 G Street NW; Washington, D. C. 20314-1000. Comments, requests, or questions also can be made by calling (202) 761-4495 or e-mailing [charles.d.hanneken@usace.army.mil](mailto:charles.d.hanneken@usace.army.mil). The public review and comment period will begin on July 15, 2016 and end on August 5, 2016.