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JOINT PUBLIC NOTICE

**DRAFT DETAILED PROJECT REPORT AND ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT FOR THE
PROPOSED U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS MARY RHODES PUMP STATION
STREAMBANK PROTECTION, BAY CITY, MATAGORDA COUNTY, TEXAS STUDY**

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Galveston District (Corps), in partnership with the City of Corpus Christi, has prepared a Draft Detailed Project Report and Environmental Assessment (DDPR-EA) and Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) for the Mary Rhodes Pump Station Streambank Protection, Bay City, Matagorda County, TX continuing authorities study as authorized by Section 14 of the Flood Control Act of 1946, as amended by Section 27 of the Water Resources Development Act, 1974. The USACE prepared the DDPR-EA to determine the feasibility of constructing bank protection works to protect the pump station facility in Bay City, Texas, from encroaching erosion of the Lower Colorado River.

The bank protection entails rebuilding the bank out, bank sloping, and toe rip rap (longitudinal fill stone toe protection), approximately 2,630 feet in length. The recommended plan also includes 50-foot riprap tiebacks, three feet in thickness, embedded under the bank's top approximately every 500 feet along the project length. The project would protect the pump station facilities from future bank erosion long enough for the City of Corpus Christi to construct a permanent solution. The analysis indicates the project is feasible, environmentally acceptable, and economically justified.

A 30-day public comment period begins on Monday, August 22, 2022, and ends on Friday, September 23, 2022. The DDPR-EA will be available for download on the Galveston District website:

<https://www.swg.usace.army.mil/Business-With-Us/Planning-Environmental-Branch/Documents-for-Public-Review/>

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