



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
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NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY

GULF INTRACOASTAL WATERWAY: BRAZOS RIVER FLOODGATES AND COLORADO RIVER LOCKS SYSTEMS DRAFT INTEGRATED FEASIBILITY REPORT AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT

The public is hereby notified of the availability of the Draft Integrated Feasibility Report and Environmental Impact Statement (DIFR-EIS) for the Gulf Intracoastal Waterway (GIWW): Brazos River Floodgates (BRFG) and Colorado River Locks (CRL) Systems Feasibility Study. The DIFR-EIS was conducted under the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act. The proposed plan includes modifications to the existing BRFG and CRL to improve navigation along the GIWW.

A public meeting will be held on March 13, 2018 at the West Columbia Civic Center, 516 E. Brazos Avenue (State Highway 35), West Columbia, Texas 77486. A brief overview of the proposed project will be presented at 6 p.m., followed by an opportunity to view maps, presentation boards, ask questions, and provide written comments about the project. A 45-day public comment period begins on February 26, 2018 and runs through April 11, 2018. The DIFR-EIS will be available beginning February 26, 2018 at the following website:

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

A hard copy of the DIFR-EIS will also be available at the following locations:

- Brazoria Library, 620 South Brooks, Brazoria, Texas 77422
- Clute Branch Library, 215 North Shanks Street, Clute, Texas 77531
- Freeport Library, 410 Brazosport Blvd., Freeport, Texas 77541
- Lake Jackson Library, 250 Circle Way, Lake Jackson, Texas 77566
- West Columbia Branch Library, 518 East Brazos, West Columbia, Texas 77486
- Bay City Public Library, 1100 7th Street, Bay City, Texas 77457
- Matagorda Branch Library, 800 Fisher Street, Matagorda, Texas 77457

Please address any comments via email to Danny Allen, Environmental Compliance Branch, Regional Planning and Environmental Center at BRFG_CRL_FeasibilityStudy@usace.army.mil or mail to the District Engineer, Galveston District, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, P.O. Box 1229, Galveston, Texas 77553.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D. Sims".

Douglas C. Sims, RPA
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