



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
GALVESTON DISTRICT, CORPS OF ENGINEERS
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May 2, 2018

**JOINT NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY
DRAFT INTEGRATED FEASIBILITY STUDY AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT
STATEMENT FOR THE PROPOSED U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS
MATAGORDA SHIP CHANNEL PROJECT,
CALHOUN AND MATAGORDA COUNTIES, TEXAS**

The public is hereby notified of the Draft Integrated Feasibility Report (DIFR) and Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Matagorda Ship Channel (MSC) Project, Calhoun and Matagorda Counties, Texas, prepared by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Galveston District (USACE) in partnership with the Calhoun Port Authority. The study was authorized by Congress in Section 216 of the Flood Control Act (FCA) of 1970 (Public Law [P.L.] 91-611), as amended. The report will be available for download starting May 7, 2018 at the following Galveston District website:

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

Compact disc (CD) copies of the report can be requested from Dr. Harmon Brown, at the mailing or email address below. In addition, CDs of the report are available for viewing at the following libraries:

Matagorda Branch Library
800 Fisher Street
Matagorda, TX 74457

Calhoun County Public Library
200 West Mahan Street
Port Lavaca, TX 77979

A public information meeting will be held in the Port Lavaca area during the public comment period on Tuesday, May 15, 2018 from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. at the Bauer Exhibit Building, 186 Henry Barber Way, County Road 101, Port Lavaca, TX 77979.

The USACE will accept written public comments on the DIFR-EIS for a 45-day period starting May 7, 2018 and continuing through June 21, 2018. Comments on the report must be postmarked by June 21, 2018. You may send written comments or questions to the USACE, Galveston District, Attn: Dr. Harmon Brown, Biologist, Environmental Compliance Branch, Regional Planning & Environmental Center, P.O. Box 1229, Galveston, TX 77553-1229 or you may email comments or questions to: harmon.n.brown@usace.army.mil.

This public notice is also issued for the purpose of advising all know interested parties that there is pending before the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) a decision on water quality certification. Any comments concerning this application

may be submitted to the TCEQ, 401 Coordinator, MSC-150, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087. A copy of the public notice, with a description of work, has been made available for review in the TCEQ's Austin office.

7 May 2018
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