

notice was published in the **Federal Register**. The DSEIS however, is not available for public review and comment. The revised comment period will commence on the publication date of this notice for forty five (45) days and end on the date indicated below.

**DATES:** Comments must be received not later than March 9, 1998.

**ADDRESSES:** The DSEIS may be obtained from the Army Corps of Engineers, Planning Division, 26 Federal Plaza, New York, NY 10278-0090.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ms. Jenine Gallo, Project Biologist, CENAN-PL-EA, Corps of Engineers, New York District, 26 Federal Plaza, NY, NY 10278-0090, Tel. 212-264-4549.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** None.

**Gregory D. Showalter,**

*Army Federal Register Liaison Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Department of the Army; Corps of Engineers

#### Notice of Addendum to the Atlantic Coast of Long Island, From Fire Island Inlet to Montauk Point, New York (Reach 1-Fire Island Inlet to Moriches Inlet Interim Plan for Storm Damage Protection)

**AGENCY:** U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, DoD.

**ACTION:** Notice of intent.

**SUMMARY:** In previous **Federal Register** notice (Vol. 62, No. 228, pages 63134-63135) Wednesday, November 26, 1997, subject notice was published to provide an opportunity for public comment during the public scoping phase of the project. Based on comments received by this office, certain changes are required to the document and are provided in the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** paragraph.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Stephen A. Couch, Study Manager, (212) 264-9077; Mr. Peter M. Weppler, EIS Coordinator, (212) 264-4663; Planning Division, Corps of Engineers, New York District, 26 Federal Plaza, New York, New York 10278-0090.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On page 63134, in column 3, last paragraph, revise Section 1 to read:

#### 1. Location of Proposed Action

The project area is located entirely in Suffolk County, Long Island, New York, along the Atlantic and bay-shore of the towns of Babylon, Islip, and Brookhaven. The study area includes Great South

Bay, which is connected to the Atlantic Ocean through Fire Island Inlet, a federal navigation channel. Great South Bay is connected to Moriches Bay by a narrow channel behind the barrier island. The westernmost portion of the study area, Fire Island Inlet, is located approximately 52 miles by water east of the Battery, New York. The project area includes the Atlantic Ocean and Great South Bay, Fire Island, Moriches Inlet, barrier beaches, the mainland of Long Island fronted by Fire Island, as well as suitable offshore borrow areas that will supply material for beach construction and replenishment. The study area is approximately 30 miles long. The lands and waters within the proposed project area are owned by various interests and are subject to various uses. The Federal Government (Department of the Interior, National Park Service (NPS)) has jurisdiction over approximately 26 miles of the area included within the boundaries of the Fire Island National Seashore (FINS). The New York State government has jurisdiction over Robert Moses State Park (Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation), tidal waters (bays) (Department of Environmental Conservation) and submerged lands offshore to the three-mile limit (Department of State). The Suffolk County government (Department of Parks and Recreation) has jurisdiction over county parks located at Smith Point and Moriches Inlet. Most of the remaining land is held by private landowners located in Towns of Babylon, Brookhaven, and Islip and Villages of Ocean Beach and Saltaire. There are 17 "exempted" and 3 Seashore District (non-exempted) communities within the boundaries of FINS. An exempted community is one that is defined by the 1964 FINS Enabling Legislation (Pub. L. 88-587), and described by the Federal Zoning Regulations, 36 CFR part 28, as falling within the boundaries of the Community Development District. The Seashore District is comprised of all portions of the lands and waters within the boundary of FINS, which are not included in the Community Development District, comprising all private and public developments. The improved private properties in either district are exempted from the acquisition authority of the Secretary of the Interior, as long as the development conforms to all local and federal zoning requirements at the time of construction. There are five NPS facilities on Fire Island under the jurisdiction of FINS. They are: the Lighthouse Area, Sunken Forest/Sailors

Haven, Talisman, Watch Hill, and Smith Point.

On page 63135, in column 1, first paragraph, revise Section 2 to read:

#### 2. Description of Potential Interim Alternatives

##### *No Federal Action*

The No Federal Action alternative for this proposed project means that no interim measures would be taken by the Federal government to provide storm damage protection in the study area. Other entities (State and local agencies, private interests, etc.) could undertake measures intended to prevent or minimize further storm damage and the Federal Government could proceed with the Reformulation Study. For evaluation of the interim project, the No-Action alternative recognizes that the Breach Contingency Plan is in place, and that any breach of the barrier island that may occur within this area would be closed using the authority provided by the Breach Contingency Plan.

#### 3. Non-Structural Alternatives

##### *Buy-Out Plan/Land Use Regulations/Flood-Proofing*

A buyout plan would include the permanent evacuation of areas within the floodplain subject to erosion or inundation, including the mainland and barrier island. This would involve the acquisition of land and structures either by purchase or by exercising the power of eminent domain. Following this action, structures in the affected areas could be demolished or relocated. Other potential land use regulations may include a range of management techniques, including zoning, subdivision regulations, building codes, and setback ordinances. Other flood-proofing strategies include raising structures or providing walls or floodshields around structures, in addition to relocations.

#### 4. Beach Nourishment Alternatives

Beach nourishment involves the placement of sand extracted from an offshore borrow source onto an eroding shoreline to restore its form and to provide an adequate protective beach. A beach fill plan typically includes a berm (that slopes to the sea floor) backed by a dune. Together, the dune and the berm combine to prevent erosion and inundation damages to leeward areas. Beach nourishment requires the periodic placement of sand to offset erosion of the beach fill in order to maintain the designed level of protection.

*a. Modified Authorized Plan w/o Groins*

This alternative would involve widening the beaches along the project area to a minimum of 100 ft with an elevation of +11 ft NGVD, and raising the dunes to an elevation of +20 ft NGVD, with a minimum dune crest width of 25 ft. Certain very low zones of the project area will have a berm elevation of +13 ft NGVD. The proposed dune slopes are 1V:5H, and the design berm slopes are to be 1V:15H to Mean Low Water (MLW), and 1V:30H below MLW.

*b. Beach Nourishment (Option A)—Fill in Wilderness Area*

This alternative consists of beachfill with a minimum berm width of 90 feet (ft) at elevation +9.5 ft NGVD, and a minimum 25-ft wide dune at elevation +15 ft NGVD. Proposed dune and berm slopes are 1V:5H to MLW, and 1V:30H below MLW. Different specifications would be required between Kismet and Point O'Woods and in the Federal Wilderness Area. The berm and dune elevations from Kismet to Point O'Woods would be increased to +11.5 ft. NGVD and +18 ft NGVD, respectively. These increased elevations would be required to provide a 44-year level of protection due to extremely low elevations north of the dune in these areas.

*c. Beach Nourishment (Option B)—Feeder Beach w/Stockpile at Smith Point*

This alternative would require the use of a feeder beach and stockpiling sand at Smith Point County Park. While offering some protection, these measures are not likely to provide a 44-year level of protection.

On page 63135, column 1, last paragraph, Section 4(b), revised the first two sentences to read:

A scoping meeting was held on December 4, 1997 at the Holiday Inn Macarthur Airport, Ronkonkoma. If more public meetings are found to be needed, public notices shall be issued at a later date containing the dates, times and places of the scoping meetings.

On page 63135, column 1, end of the last paragraph, Section 4(b), add the following sentence:

The scoping period has been extended to 30 days from the date of this notice's appearance in the **Federal Register**.

**Gregory D. Showalter,**

*Army Federal Register Liaison Officer.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE****Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences****Sunshine Act Meeting****AGENCY HOLDING THE MEETING:**

Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences.

**TIME AND DATE:** 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., February 9, 1998.

**PLACE:** Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences, Board of Regents Conference Room (D3001), 4301 Jones Bridge Road, Bethesda, MD 20814-4799.

**STATUS:** Open-under "Government in the Sunshine Act" (5 U.S.C. 552b(e)(3)).

**MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:**

8:30 a.m. Meeting—Board of Regents

- (1) Approval of Minutes—November 3, 1998
- (2) Faculty Matters
- (3) Departmental Reports
- (4) Financial Report
- (5) Report—President, USUHS
- (6) Report—Dean, School of Medicine
- (7) Report—Dean, Graduate School of Nursing
- (8) Comments—Chairman, Board of Regents
- (9) New Business

**CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION:**

Mr. Bobby D. Anderson, Executive Secretary of the Board of Regents, (301) 295-3116.

Dated: January 16, 1998.

**Linda Bynum,**

*OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer,  
Department of Defense.*

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**DELAWARE RIVER BASIN COMMISSION****Notice of Commission Meeting and Public Hearing**

Notice is hereby given that the Delaware River Basin Commission will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, January 28, 1998. The hearing will be part of the Commission's regular business meeting which is open to the public and scheduled to begin at 1:00 p.m. in the Goddard Conference Room of the Commission's offices at 25 State Police Drive, West Trenton, New Jersey.

A presentation on the Commission's retreat process will be held at 11:00 a.m. at the same location. In December 1995 the Commission conducted a retreat to examine the agency and its future. The process progressed through interviews with key constituents; an extensive constituent survey; a niche selection

process and preparation of a vision and mission statement entitled "Charting the Future", adopted by the Commission on December 17, 1997. The results of the retreat process and next steps will be reviewed at this presentation. A "Summary of Delaware River Basin Commission Retreat Process" and "Charting the Future" are available upon request by contacting Susan M. Weisman at (609) 883-9500 ext. 203.

In addition to the subjects listed which are scheduled for public hearing at the 1:00 p.m. business meeting, the Commission will also address the following: Minutes of the December 17, 1997 business meeting; announcements; General Counsel's Report; report on Basin hydrologic conditions; a resolution to adopt the current expense and capital budgets for Fiscal Year 1999; a resolution to designate the Chair of the Flow Management Technical Advisory Committee as the Chair at meetings of the Parties to the 1954 U.S. Supreme Court Decree concerning drought-related resolutions; a resolution to amend the Ground Water Protected Area Regulations for Southeastern Pennsylvania by the establishment of numerical withdrawal limits for Protected Area subbasins; and public dialogue. A "Response Document on Proposed Amendments to the Southeastern Pennsylvania Ground Water Protected Area Regulations" is also available upon request by contacting Ms. Weisman at the number provided above.

The subjects of the hearing will be as follows:

**Applications for Approval of the Following Projects Pursuant to Article 10.3, Article 11 and/or Section 3.8 of the Compact***1. Portland Borough Authority D-97-29 CP*

An application for approval of a ground water withdrawal project to supply up to 5.18 million gallons (mg)/30 days of water to the applicant's distribution system from new Well No. 3, and to increase the existing withdrawal limit from all wells to 5.7 mg/30 days. The project is located in Upper Mount Bethel Township, Northampton County, Pennsylvania.

*2. Pennsylvania Power & Light Company D-97-37*

A project to construct two 12-kilowatt aerial power line crossings: one on a reach of the Schuylkill River and one on a reach of the Little Schuylkill River near their confluence. Both crossings are on reaches of the rivers designated as Scenic Rivers by the Pennsylvania