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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Department of the Army; Corps of Engineers

#### Notice of Availability for the Final Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement/Subsequent Environmental Impact Report for the Pacific L.A. Marine Terminal LLC Crude Oil Terminal Project, Los Angeles County, CA

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

**ACTION:** Notice of availability.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Los Angeles District (Regulatory Division), in coordination with the Port of Long Angeles, has completed a Final Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement/Subsequent Environmental Impact Report (SEIS/SEIR) for the Pacific L.A. Marine Terminal LLC Crude Oil Terminal Project. The Port of Los Angeles requires authorization pursuant to Section 404 of the Clean Water Act and Section 10 of the River and Harbor Act to build a new crude oil marine terminal at Berth 408 on Pier 400 including: construction of a new marine terminal to receive crude oil from marine vessels and transfer the oil to tank farms facilities via a new 42-inch-diameter, high-volume pipeline; construction of two tank farms, Tank Farm Site 1 located on Pier 400 and Tank Farm Site 2 located on Pier 300 at Seaside Avenue/Terminal Way; construction of new pipelines to connect the new tank farm facilities to existing pipeline facilities, with the new tank farm facilities connected to the existing ExxonMobil Southwest Terminal on Terminal Island, the existing Ultramar/Valero Refinery on Anaheim Street near the Terminal Island Freeway, and to Plains All American pipeline systems near Henry

Ford Avenue and Alameda Street via new and existing 36-inch, 24-inch, and 16-inch pipelines, and with all new pipelines installed belowground, with the exception of the water crossings at the Pier 400 causeway bridge and at the Valero utility/pipe bridge that crosses the Dominguez Channel west of the Ultramar/Valero Refinery. The new tank farm facilities would provide a total of 4.0 million barrels (bbl) of capacity, primarily receiving crude oil, partially refined crude oil, and occasional deliveries of Marine Gas Oil (MGO).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Questions or comments concerning the Final SEIS/SEIR should be directed to Dr. Spencer D. MacNeil, Senior Project Manager, North Coast Branch, Regulatory Division, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, 2151 Alessandro Drive, Suite 110, Ventura, CA 93001, (805) 585-2152. Comments on the Final SEIS/SEIR will be received by Corps Regulatory Division until December 29, 2008.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** None.

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Corps of Engineers

#### Intent To Prepare a Joint Feasibility Study/Environmental Impact Statement/Environmental Impact Report for the Los Angeles River Ecosystem Restoration Feasibility Study, Los Angeles County, CA

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

**ACTION:** Amendment to notice of intent/notice of preparation.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Los Angeles District (Corps), and the City of Los Angeles amend the notice published in the **Federal Register** on February 6, 2006 (71 FR 6058), which announced the Corps' intent to prepare a Programmatic Draft Environmental Impact Statement/Environmental Impact Report for the Los Angeles River Ecosystem Restoration Study, Los Angeles County, CA. This amendment to the notice revises the February 6, 2006 notice to announce the Corps' intent to prepare a joint Feasibility Study/Environmental Impact Statement/Environmental Impact Report (FS/EIS/EIR) for the Los Angeles River Ecosystem Restoration Feasibility Study that will identify and evaluate site specific opportunities for

ecosystem restoration. The study proposes to consider a range of activities to restore riparian and aquatic habitat, and related habitat functions, in and adjacent to the Los Angeles River, which will benefit wildlife and sensitive species.

**DATES:** Submit comments on or before December 29, 2008.

**ADDRESSES:** Ms. Tiffany Bostwick, Environmental Coordinator, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Los Angeles District, Planning Division, CESPL-PD-RN, 915 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, CA 90017.

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#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

1. Authorization. The proposed feasibility study was authorized under Congressional Resolution, which reads as follows:

Senate Resolution, approved 25 June 1969, reading in part: "Resolved by the Committee on Public Works of the United States Senate, that the Board of Engineers for Rivers and Harbors, created under Section 3 of the River and Harbor Act, approved June 13, 1902, be, and is hereby requested to review the report of the Chief of Engineers on the Los Angeles and San Gabriel Rivers and Ballona Creek, California, published as House Document Numbered 838, Seventy-sixth Congress, and other pertinent reports, with a view to determining whether any modifications contained herein are advisable at the present time, in the resources in the Los Angeles County Drainage Area."

2. Background. Historically, the Los Angeles River is subject to flooding and two of the largest floods in recorded history occurred in the 1930s, causing both a substantial loss of life and property damage. During the latter 1930s and 1940s the Federal Government (U.S. Army Corps of Engineers) constructed the concrete flood control channel in the Los Angeles River to expedite movement of stormwater flows to the ocean for flood prevention, causing a complete loss of the natural hydrologic and hydraulic regime and the natural riparian environment. Development along most of the River is a mix of housing, industrial and commercial land uses that contribute to the overall degradation of the ecosystem. The City of Los Angeles, city residents, and other local agencies have expressed interest and support for a feasibility study that would evaluate the potential for restoration of the Los Angeles River's aquatic ecosystem.

The entire Los Angeles River travels through a highly urbanized area