



REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF:

South Mississippi Branch
Regulatory Division

October 1, 2015

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
U.S. ARMY ENGINEER DISTRICT, MOBILE DISTRICT
P.O. BOX 2288
MOBILE, ALABAMA 36628-0001

**JOINT PUBLIC NOTICE SAM-2014-00653-MBM
U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS**

**MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
OFFICE OF POLLUTION CONTROL**

MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF MARINE RESOURCES

**APPROVAL OF 30-DAY EXTENSION OF PUBLIC NOTICE COMMENT PERIOD FOR
PERMIT APPLICATION REQUESTING TO CONSTRUCT TWO CONNECTED WATER
SUPPLY LAKES FOR MAINTAINING PASCAGOULA RIVER FLOW RESILIENCY DURING
PROLONGED SEVERE DROUGHTS, GEORGE AND JACKSON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI**

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

This District has received an application for a Department of the Army permit pursuant to Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899 (33 USC 403) and Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (33 USC 1344). Please communicate this information to interested parties.

APPLICANT: **Pat Harrison Waterway District**
Attention: Mr. Hiram Boone, Executive Director
6081 U.S. Highway 49
Hattiesburg, Mississippi 39401

IN COOPERATION WITH: **George County Board of Supervisors**
Jackson County Board of Supervisors

AGENT: **Pickering Firm, Inc.**
Attention: Mr. Jeff Ballweber
2001 Airport Road, Suite 201
Flowood, Mississippi 39232

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers has received numerous requests to extend the public notice comment period for this project. The main reason stated in the requests is to allow time to complete a thorough evaluation of the proposed project to support the development of informed comments and questions. In consideration of the size and complexity of the proposed project, stated purpose of the requests, and issues identified in the comments received to date, the District Engineer hereby approves a 30-day extension of the public notice commenting period for this project. Granting this time extension will provide the public and agencies additional time to thoroughly evaluate the proposed project and provide comments that will support an informed public interest determination.

Correspondence concerning this Public Notice should refer to Public Notice Number **SAM-2014-00653-MBM** and should be directed to the District Engineer, USACE, Mobile District, Attention: Mr. Michael Moxey, Regulatory Division, 109 St. Joseph Street, Mobile, Alabama 36602, the Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality, Office of Pollution Control, Attention: Ms. Florance Bass, P.E., Post Office Box 2261, Jackson, Mississippi 39225, and the MDMR, Attention: Ms. Willa Brantley, 1141 Bayview Avenue, Suite 501, Biloxi, Mississippi 39530, **in time to be received by November 4, 2015.**

If you have any questions concerning this publication, you may contact the project manager for this application, Mr. Michael Moxey (Michael.b.moxey@usace.army.mil), phone (251) 694-3771. Please refer to the above Public Notice number SAM-2014-00653-MBM.

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