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The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Announces Public Scoping Meetings for the Water Control Manual Update for the Apalachicola-Chattahoochee-Flint River Basin in Alabama, Florida, and Georgia

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The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Mobile District, is initiating an Environmental Impact Statement for the Water Control Manual Update for the Apalachicola-Chattahoochee-Flint River Basin in Alabama, Florida, and Georgia. The Water Control Manual outlines regulation schedules such as operation criteria and guidelines and specifications for storage and releases from reservoirs. Many factors are considered to determine appropriate water management at all reservoirs and create a balance system among federally authorized project purposes, such as fish and wildlife, flood damage reduction, hydropower, navigation, recreation, water supply, and water quality.

An Environmental Impact Statement will be prepared and will address current operations within the Apalachicola-Chattahoochee-Flint River Basin. It will also address any changes in authorized water management operations at the reservoir projects that might be warranted to better serve the authorized purposes.

Five public scoping meetings will be held in October. Federal, state, and local agencies and officials; federally recognized Indian tribes; other interested parties; and the public are invited to attend the meetings and to participate in the scoping process. Scoping meetings allow for open communication between the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and the public, thus promoting better analysis

and decision making while preparing the Environmental Impact Statement. The meetings will be held at the following locations:

- Monday October 20, 2008
5:00 p.m.–8:00 p.m.
Franklin County Courthouse
33 Market Street
Apalachicola, FL 32320
(850) 653-8861
- Tuesday October 21, 2008
5:00 p.m.–8:00 p.m.
Dothan Convention Center
4106 Ross Clark Circle
Dothan, AL 36303
(334) 712-9808
- Wednesday October 22, 2008
5:00 p.m.–8:00 p.m.
Callaway Center at West Georgia
Technical College
220 Fort Drive
LaGrange, GA 30240
(706) 756-4622
- Thursday October 23, 2008
4:00 p.m.–7:00 p.m.
Cobb County Government Civic
Center, Hudgins Hall
548 S Marietta Parkway, SE
Marietta, GA 30060
(770) 528-8450
- Wednesday, October 29, 2008
5:00 p.m.–8:00 p.m.
Georgia Mountain Center
301 Main Street, SW
Gainesville, GA 30503
(770) 534-8420

How to Get Involved

The public can provide written comments in person at the scheduled public scoping meetings listed above. Comments can also be submitted online on our Web site at www.acf-wcm.com or by regular mail to:

Tetra Tech, Inc.
107 Saint Francis Street, Ste 1403
Mobile, AL 36602-9986

Tetra Tech, Inc., will be collecting all information for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Mobile District. The deadline to submit scoping comments is November 21, 2008. Detailed information about the Apalachicola-Chattahoochee-Flint River Basin will be available on the Web site as well as detailed meeting information and descriptions of the scoping elements.

See above for dates and locations of public scoping meetings

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Federally Authorized Project Purposes

