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Public Meetings to be held regarding the Apalachicola-Chattahoochee-Flint River Basin Water Control Manual

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Mobile District, will hold five public scoping meetings during the month of October as part of its review and update of the Water Control Manual (WCM) for the Apalachicola-Chattahoochee-Flint (ACF) River Basin. The public is invited to attend the scoping meetings which will provide information on the WCM update process and afford the opportunity to receive input from the public about their issues and concerns regarding that process.

All five public meetings will be held using an open house format, allowing time for participants to review specific information and to provide comments to the resource staff attending the meeting.

The meeting dates and locations are as follows:

Apalachicola, Fla.: Oct. 20, 2008
5 p.m.-8 p.m. (EDT)
Franklin County Courthouse
33 Market Street
Apalachicola, Fla. 32320
850-653-8861

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2-2-2-2 Public Meetings to be held regarding the ACF

Dothan, Ala.: Oct. 21, 2008
5 p.m.-8 p.m. (CDT)
Dothan Convention Center
4106 Ross Clark Circle
Dothan, Ala. 36303
334-712-9808

LaGrange, Ga.: Oct. 22, 2008
5 p.m.- 8 p.m. (EDT)
Callaway Center at West Georgia Technical College
220 Fort Drive
LaGrange, Ga. 30240
706-756-4622

Marietta, Ga: Oct. 23, 2008
4 p.m.-7 p.m. (EDT)
Cobb County Government: Civic Center, Hudgins Hall
548 S. Marietta Parkway SE
Marietta, Ga. 30060
770-528-8450

Gainesville, Ga.: Oct. 29, 2008
5 p.m.-8 p.m. (EDT)
Georgia Mountain Center
301 Main Street SW
Gainesville, Ga. 30503
770-534-8420

Additional information on the ACF River Basin WCM Update process will be posted on the Mobile District webpage as it becomes available: <http://www.sam.usace.army.mil>



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U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to revise scope of Environmental Impact Statement

Mobile, Ala. – The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Mobile District (Corps), Mobile District, intends to revise the scope of the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the updated Water Control Manuals for the Apalachicola-Chattahoochee-Flint (ACF) River Basin in Alabama, Florida, and Georgia, to account for a July 17, 2009 federal court ruling.

“With the exception of two relatively small relocation contracts for the Cities of Gainesville and Buford, the Court determined that neither water supply withdrawals from Lake Lanier nor releases for water supply from the Chattahoochee River downstream, were authorized project purposes,” Mobile District Chief of Public Affairs E. Patrick Robbins said.

“In light of the significant new circumstances and information associated with the Judge’s ruling, the Corps will reopen the scoping process to gather stakeholder input regarding these new circumstances to be considered in its preparation of the Master Water Control Manual and EIS,” Robbins said.

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2-2-2-2- Corps of Engineers to revise scope of EIS

Public comments will be considered in preparation of the EIS and updated water control manuals. Comments on the scope of the EIS, including concerns, issues, or proposed alternatives should be submitted in writing to Tetra Tech, Inc., 107 Saint Francis Street, Ste 1403, Mobile, AL 32206-9986. Comments may also be submitted by using the electronic comment form at: http://www.sam.usace.army.mil/pa/acf-wcm/mail_list.htm#form If you have already submitted comments in the previous scoping effort, you do not need to resubmit.



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Water Control Manuals; USACE reopen public scoping

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MOBILE, Ala. — The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Mobile District, announced today it is reopening public scoping for the proposed update of the Master Water Control Manual for the Apalachicola-Chattahoochee-Flint River Basin (ACF) in Alabama, Florida and Georgia.

“As a result of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit ruling in June 2011 and the June 2012 legal opinion of the Corps’ Chief Counsel regarding authority to accommodate municipal and industrial water supply from the Buford Dam/Lake Lanier project we are resuming the manual update process,” said E. Patrick Robbins, Mobile District Public Affairs Officer.

The manual update process will consider operations for all authorized purposes on the Federal Projects (recreation, navigation, water quality, fish and wildlife, etc) along with an expanded range of water supply alternatives associated with the Buford Dam/Lake Lanier project, including current levels of water supply withdrawals and additional amounts that Georgia has requested from Lake Lanier and downstream of Atlanta.

The Public is invited to provide comments to help focus the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) on significant areas of concern or proposed alternatives that should be considered in the EIS.

“We had scoping periods in 2008 and 2009 when we first began the manual update process,” said Robbins. “Any comments previously submitted will be reviewed and addressed in the current re-scoping so comments previously provided do not need to be resubmitted.”

Individuals should submit scoping comments by December 12, 2012 using one of three methods:

*Submit comments online at <http://www.sam.usace.army.mil/pa/acf-wcm/form.htm>

*E-mail comments to acf.eis@tetrattech.com

*Mail comments to: Tetra Tech, Attention: ACF-WCM, 61 Saint Joseph Street, Ste 550, Mobile, AL 36602-3521.



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CORPS TO EXTEND PUBLIC SCOPING FOR UPDATING WATER CONTROL PLANS AND MANUALS FOR THE APALACHICOLA-CHATTAHOOCHEE-FLINT RIVER BASIN WATER CONTROL MANUAL

MOBILE, Ala. — The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Mobile District, announces it is extending public scoping up to January 14, 2013 for the proposed update of the Master Water Control Manual for the Apalachicola-Chattahoochee-Flint River Basin (ACF) in Alabama, Florida and Georgia. Several agencies requested further time to submit their analysis and studies to the Corps.

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USACE recently launched a newly designed and updated website that impacts previously provided website addresses identified regarding this subject. All the previously information, and any new information, can now be found by visiting the Mobile District web page at www.sam.usace.army.mil and selecting the “ACF Master Water Control Manual Update” link on the right side of the page.

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2-2-2-2 Corps extends Public Scoping Jan. 14, 2013

Individuals should submit scoping comments by January 14, 2013 using one of three methods:

*Submit comments online at <http://www.sam.usace.army.mil>

*E-mail comments to acf-wcm@usace.army.mil

*Mail comments to: Tetra Tech, Attention: ACF-WCM, 61 Saint Joseph Street, Ste 550, Mobile, AL 36602-3521.

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