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NEW PUBLIC NOTICE PROCEDURES

The New England District, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Regulatory Division, is seeking public comment on proposed procedures for issuing Public Notices and publishing our monthly list of Individual Permit actions during the previous month (hereafter referred to as the *monthly list*). These new procedures will tentatively commence during the week of October 20, 2003.

As required by Executive Order to reduce the use of paper in Federal agencies, we will no longer mail paper copies of Public Notices and the monthly list to the general and state mailing lists. Instead, we will send a weekly e-mail listing the Public Notices for all six New England states for that week. The e-mail will refer recipients to our website, on which we will publish each Public Notice and the monthly list. The address for our website is <http://www.nae.usace.army.mil>. From here select "Regulatory Permitting," and then "Public Notices" or "Monthly List of Individual Permit Actions." Note that applicants and property owners adjacent to proposed projects, Federally recognized Native American Indian Tribes, Federal congressmen, appropriate city/town officials (the mayor/town manager, harbormaster and conservation commission at a minimum) and post offices in the city/town in which the work is proposed would continue to receive paper copies of Public Notices.

We are requesting your e-mail addresses for placement on our general (all six New England states) or state(s) mailing lists. Individuals on any of these mailing lists will receive a weekly e-mail listing all Public Notices for that week in all six New England states, and a monthly e-mail containing the monthly list for all six New England states. Please send your e-mail address to Ms. Tina Chaisson at bettina.m.chaisson@usace.army.mil or at the above mailing address. Please specify whether you desire to be on the general or a specific state e-mail list(s). If you would like to be on a particular state(s) list, specify the state(s). Also, please include your mailing address and telephone number.

In order to properly evaluate this proposal, we are seeking public comment. Anyone wishing to comment is encouraged to do so. Comments should be submitted in writing by the above date. If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Greg Penta at (978) 318-8862, (800) 343-4789 or (800) 362-4367, if calling from within Massachusetts.

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