



PUBLIC NOTICE

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SUBJECT: Announcement of the upcoming U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District (USACE), Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (MassDEP), and Department of Fish and Game (DFG) joint mitigation summit pertaining to federal and state compensatory mitigation regulations.

PURPOSE: The USACE, MassDEP, and DFG are holding an in-person joint outreach event to inform the public, applicants, sponsors, consultants, and industry of current federal and state wetlands and waters/streams mitigation regulations and policies, as well as mitigation project development/involvement opportunities. This summit will help stakeholders develop an understanding of mitigation requirements, policies, and how to develop a comprehensive mitigation plan to meet both the state and federal requirements.

EVENT INFORMATION: The agencies will hold this event at the Massachusetts Division of Fisheries and Wildlife (1 Rabbit Hill Road, Westborough, Massachusetts 01581) on January 30, 2024, starting at 9:00 a.m. (doors opening at 8:30 a.m.) and concluding around 3:00 p.m., depending on public participation. Please register by emailing taylor.m.bell@usace.army.mil as on-site seating will be limited. Additionally, all registered participants will receive a certificate of attendance if requested. The event is intended to be in-person, but a virtual option will also be available by joining the below link:

<https://usace1.webex.com/join/cenae-pa>

Meeting Number:
199 945 8471

Join by phone:
1-844-800-2712 US Toll Free
1-669-234-1177 US Toll
Access code: 199 945 8471

Join by video system:
cenae-pa@usace1.webex.com

You can also dial 207.182.190.20 and enter your meeting number.

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The draft agenda is as follows:

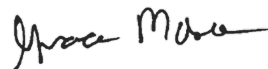
- Introduction to the 2008 Federal Mitigation Rule & the New England District Mitigation Standard Operating Procedures (updated 2024)
- 12 Required Components of a Federal Mitigation Plan for Permittee Responsible, In-Lieu Fee, and Private Bank Mitigation Sites
- Department of Environmental Protection Replication Regulations
- Mitigation Expectations – How to Meet State and Federal Requirements
- Department of Fish and Game In-Lieu Fee Projects
- Stream Visual Assessment Protocol 2.0 Presentation
- Marine Mitigation Requirements

There will be time for questions, answers, and for discussion.

SPEAKERS/ATTENDEES:

Tammy Turley, USACE, Chief, Regulatory Division
Paul Maniccia, USACE, Chief, Massachusetts Section
Grace Moses, USACE, Chief, Technical Support Branch
Taylor Bell, USACE Mitigation Program Manager
Erin Davis, USACE Mitigation Specialist
David Hilgeman, MassDEP Wetlands, Supervisor of the Major Projects and Policy Unit
Elisabeth Cianciola, DFG, In-Lieu Fee Program Administrator

CONTACT INFORMATION: This is an informational public notice; therefore, we are not seeking public comments. Requests for additional information may be directed to Taylor Bell at taylor.m.bell@usace.army.mil and/or 978-318-8952.



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