

PUBLIC NOTICE

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ALTERATION OF A U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS CIVIL WORKS PROJECT PURSUANT TO 33 USC 408: GEOTECHNICAL INVESTIGATIONS HOUSATONIC RIVER FEDERAL NAVIGATION PROJECT (FNP) MILFORD AND STRATFORD, CONNECTICUT

Interested parties are hereby notified that the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District (USACE) is evaluating plans under 33 U.S.C. 408 (Section 408) to conduct geotechnical investigations in the Housatonic River, adjacent to the Devon Rail Bridge, proposed by the Connecticut Department of Transportation. The geotechnical investigations consist of two (2) borings within the Housatonic River FNP limits and fifteen (15) borings within the 3:1 FNP offset. All geotechnical investigations will go to 100-feet below sediment depth. The work is anticipated to last 3 months.

This Notice is being issued pursuant to 33 U.S.C. 408 and USACE Engineering Circular (EC) 1165-2-220. Section 408 allows USACE to grant permission for the alteration, occupation, or use of a USACE civil works project if it is determined that the activity will not be injurious to the public interest and will not impair the usefulness of the Federal project. USACE has made the preliminary determination that geotechnical investigations within the FNP and FNP offset will not have a negative impact on public interest, use, or our ability to maintain the Housatonic River FNP. The public is invited to provide comment associated with this Section 408 evaluation. To request more information contact: Christina Comeau, New England District, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, 696 Virginia Road, Concord, MA 01742, (978) 318-8705, Christina.M.Comeau@usace.army.mil. The comment period will end on November 18, 2025. Letters should be postmarked by this date.