



PUBLIC NOTICE

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**ALTERATION OF A U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS CIVIL WORKS
PROJECT PURSUANT TO 33 USC 408: MAINTENANCE DREDGING
PATCHOGUE RIVER FEDERAL NAVIGATION PROJECT (FNP)
WESTBROOK, 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 maintenance dredging in the Patchogue River proposed by Duck Island Marina. The proposed dredging will be conducted within the 3:1 buffer zone of the USACE maintained Patchogue River Federal Navigation Project (FNP) located off of Hammock Rd S, Westbrook, Connecticut. The direct impact to the FNP offset is the maintenance dredging of approximately 497 cubic yards of material from an area of approximately 7,661 square feet to a depth of -6 feet mean lower low water.

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 maintenance dredging within the FNP offset will not have a negative impact on public interest, use, or our ability to maintain the Patchogue 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 February 20, 2026. Letters should be postmarked by this date.