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**ALTERATION OF A U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS CIVIL WORKS
PROJECT PURSUANT TO 33 USC 408: GEOTECHNICAL INVESTIGATIONS
MYSTIC RIVER FEDERAL NAVIGATION PROJECT (FNP)
BOSTON-EVERETT-SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS**

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 Mystic River proposed by NSTAR Electric Company d/b/a Eversource Energy. The geotechnical investigations consist of twenty (20) borings within the Mystic River FNP limits, one (1) boring within the FNP buffer zone, and seven (7) within the FNP navigation servitude area. Geotechnical investigation depths vary between 90' and 125' 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 will not have a negative impact on public interest, use, or our ability to maintain the Mystic 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 August 27, 2025. Letters should be postmarked by this date.