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ALTERATION OF A U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS CIVIL WORKS PROJECT PURSUANT TO 33 USC 408: WATER MAIN REPLACEMENT SAUGUS RIVER FEDERAL NAVIGATION PROJECT (FNP) SAUGUS, 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 replace a water main in the Saugus River proposed by the Massachusetts Water Resources Authority (MWRA). The proposed water main will be installed via Horizontal Directional Drilling (HDD) under the Saugus River FNP and FNP offset at depths of 22 to 42 feet below the -8 foot mean lower low water authorized project depth.

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 the installation of a water line under the Saugus River FNP and FNP offset will not have a negative impact on public interest, use, or our ability to maintain the Saugus 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 December 11, 2024. Letters should be postmarked by this date.