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### ALTERATION OF A U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS CIVIL WORKS PROJECT PURSUANT TO 33 USC 408: RT 125 BRIDGE REPLACEMENT MERRIMACK RIVER FEDERAL NAVIGATION PROJECT (FNP) HAVERHILL, 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 the RT 125 Basiliere Bridge in Haverhill proposed by the Massachusetts Department of Transportation (MassDOT). MassDOT is proposing to replace the existing bridge with a 5-span precast reinforced concrete open spandrel deck arch superstructure supported on cast-in-place reinforced concrete abutments and piers founded on drilled shaft footings. The proposed bridge will provide 20' vertical clearance and 60' horizontal clearance at the center of the navigable channel.

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 replacement of the RT 125 Basiliere Bridge over the FNP channel will not have a negative impact on public interest, use, or our ability to maintain the Merrimack 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](mailto:Christina.M.Comeau@usace.army.mil). The comment period will end on April 30, 2025. Letters should be postmarked by this date.