

PUBLIC NOTICE

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ALTERATION OF A U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS CIVIL WORKS PROJECT PURSUANT TO 33 USC 408: MARINA MAINTENANCE PAWCATUCK RIVER FEDERAL NAVIGATION PROJECT (FNP) PAWCATUCK, STONINGTON, 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 marina maintenance in the Pawcatuck River proposed by Norwest Marine. The proposed marina work will partially sit within the 3:1 buffer zone of the USACE maintained Pawcatuck River Federal Navigation Project (FNP). The proposed project consists of the following impacts to the FNP offset at 7 River Road, Pawcatuck, CT: The oversheeting of approximately 315' of steel sheet pile bulkhead with an attached 8' by 305' floating dock, and the reconfiguration of both an 8' by 64' and an 8' by 12' lift well staging float. Three (3) new pilings will be installed within the FNP offset. The proposed structures will be located 7' to 19' away from the offset of the channel.

This Notice is being issued pursuant to 33 U.S.C. 408, 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 will not have a negative impact on public interest, use, or our ability to maintain the Pawcatuck 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 September 5, 2024. Letters should be postmarked by this date.