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NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Kansas City District (Corps), has prepared a draft Programmatic Environmental Assessment and a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) that are available for public review. These documents were prepared in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act.

The draft Programmatic Environmental Assessment and FONSI were prepared for Categorical Permissions for Requests to Alter U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Civil Works Projects Pursuant to 33 USC 408. The Corps receives numerous requests each year from private, public, tribal, or other federal entities to alter civil works projects. When requests are received, they are evaluated to determine if the alteration would be injurious to the public interest or impair the usefulness of the Corps project. The purpose of the Programmatic Environmental Assessment is to develop categorical permissions to simplify the Section 408 review process for potential alterations that are similar in nature and have similar impacts. The proposed categorical permissions would be applicable to alterations to federal levees, channel modification projects, and the Missouri River Bank Stabilization and Navigation Project within the Corps civil works boundary.

The Corps is soliciting public comments on the draft Programmatic Environmental Assessment and FONSI during a 30-day review period that opens April 22, 2016, and will close May 22, 2016. These documents are available for review on the Corps' website at http://www.nwk.usace.army.mil/Media/PublicNotices/PlanningPublicNotices.aspx. The reports may also be obtained by contacting Mr. Jesse Granet, Environmental Specialist, by phone at (816) 389-3470 or by email at jesse.j.granet@usace.army.mil. All comments should be directed to Mr. Granet at the above address, phone, or email address.

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