



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
LOS ANGELES DISTRICT, U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS
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August 22, 2014

Bill Harmon, DE
ADOT Safford District
2082 E. Highway 70 (S400)
Safford, AZ 85546-0711

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY NATIONWIDE PERMIT VERIFICATION

Dear Mr. Harmon:

I am responding to your request (SPL-2014-00055-KAT) for a Department of the Army permit for your proposed project, I-10, San Pedro River Bridges, EB & WB, (Tracs No 010 CH 306 H8442 01C). The proposed project is located (31.968659°N, -110.279371°W) located near Benson, Cochise County, Arizona.

Because this project would result in a total permanent discharge of 0.25 acre of fill material into waters of the United States a Department of the Army permit is required pursuant to Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (33 USC 1344; 33 CFR parts 323 and 330).

I have determined that construction of your proposed project, if constructed as described in your application, would comply with Nationwide Permit (NWP) 14, "Linear Transportation Project". Specifically, and as shown in the enclosed figure(s), you are authorized to:

San Pedro River

1. Install gabion baskets measuring 72-foot long by 36-foot wide around two piers on the westbound bridge.
2. Install gabion baskets measuring 69-foot long by 36-foot wide around two piers on the eastbound bridge.
3. Permanently Impact 0.25 acre and temporarily impact 0.66 acre for construction access, maneuvering and temporary excavation.

For this NWP verification letter to be valid, you must comply with all of the terms and conditions in Enclosure 1. Furthermore, you must comply with the non-discretionary Special Conditions listed below:

1. **The permittee shall provide notification, either written or verbal, to the Corps of Engineers at least one week prior to the start of work, as to the anticipated beginning and ending dates of construction.**
2. The permittee shall allow representatives from this office to inspect the authorized activity at any time deemed necessary to ensure that it is being or has been accomplished within the terms and conditions of the permit.

3. **A copy of the permit shall be on the job site at all times during construction. The permittee shall provide a copy of this permit to all construction representatives.** The permittee shall require that all construction representatives read this authorization in its entirety and acknowledge they understand its contents and their responsibility to ensure compliance with all general and special conditions contained herein.
4. **The construction limits for all work within waters of the U.S. shall be fenced, staked, or flagged prior to construction.** The contractor(s) shall be thoroughly familiar with each of the project boundaries, and all perimeter markings shall be maintained intact for the life of the project. The contractor shall monitor each of the construction zones during the entire length of the contract to ensure fencing, staking, or flagging remains in place and that no vegetation is disturbed outside of the construction limits.
5. The permittee shall not discharge dredged or fill material while constructing this project or any other phase of this project, other than the permitted activities identified above.
6. **The permittee shall ensure that all project areas disturbed by construction-related activities are stabilized, and restored to their pre-project conditions/contours, to the maximum extent possible, upon project completion.** All project areas disturbed above the ordinary high water mark shall be reseeded with locally native plant species. Watercourse morphology shall be re-established to match pre-construction configurations.
7. **Unless specifically authorized all staging activities and stockpiling of native and non-native fill or dredged material shall be located outside of the waters of the U.S.** The location of these activities shall be sited to minimize the removal of mature trees, to utilize previously disturbed areas to the extent practicable, and to minimize the total area of disturbance.

This verification is valid through March 18, 2017. If on March 18, 2017 you have commenced or are under contract to commence the permitted activity you will have an additional twelve (12) months to complete the activity under the present NWP terms and conditions. However, if I discover noncompliance or unauthorized activities associated with the permitted activity I may request the use of discretionary authority in accordance with procedures in 33 CFR § 330.4(e) and 33 CFR § 330.5(c) or (d) to modify, suspend, or revoke this specific verification at an earlier date. Additionally, at the national level the Chief of Engineers, any time prior to March 18, 2017, may chose to modify, suspend, or revoke the nationwide use of a NWP after following procedures set forth in 33 CFR § 330.5. It is incumbent upon you to comply with all of the terms and conditions of this NWP verification and to remain informed of any change to the NWPs.

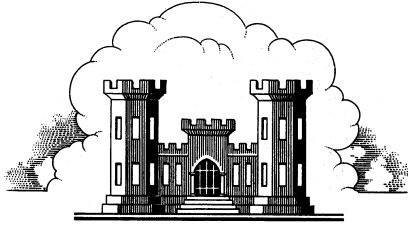
A NWP does not grant any property rights or exclusive privileges. Additionally, it does not authorize any injury to the property, rights of others, nor does it authorize interference with any existing or proposed Federal project. Furthermore, it does not obviate the need to obtain other Federal, state, or local authorizations required by law.

Thank you for participating in the regulatory program. If you have any questions, contact Kathleen Tucker at 602-230-6956 or via e-mail at Kathleen.A.Tucker@usace.army.mil. Please help me to evaluate and improve the regulatory experience for others by completing the customer survey form at http://corpsmapu.usace.army.mil/cm_apex/f?p=regulatory_survey.

Sincerely,

Sallie Diebolt
Chief, Arizona Branch
Regulatory Division

Enclosures



**LOS ANGELES DISTRICT
U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS**

**CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE WITH
DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY NATIONWIDE PERMIT**

Permit Number: *SPL-2014-00055-KAT*

Name of Permittee: *Bill Harmon, P.E., ADOT Safford District*

Date of Issuance: *August 22, 2014*

Upon completion of the activity authorized by this permit and the mitigation required by this permit, sign this certificate, and return it by **ONE** of the following methods;

1) Email a digital scan of the signed certificate to Kathleen.A.Tucker@usace.army.mil
OR

2) Mail the signed certificate to
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
ATTN: Regulatory Division SPL-2014-00055-KAT
3636 N Central Avenue, Suite 900
Phoenix, AZ 85012-1939

I hereby certify that the authorized work and any required compensatory mitigation has been completed in accordance with the NWP authorization, including all general, regional, or activity-specific conditions. Furthermore, if credits from a mitigation bank or in-lieu fee program were used to satisfy compensatory mitigation requirements I have attached the documentation required by 33 CFR 332.3(l)(3) to confirm that the appropriate number and resource type of credits have been secured.

Signature of Permittee

Date