



PUBLIC NOTICE

Los Angeles River Channel LATC 24 inch diameter Storm Drain Repair

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LOS ANGELES DISTRICT**

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Public Notice No.: SPL-408-PN-2019-0027

Permit No.: SPL-408-2019-0027

Comment Period: 2019-09-27 to 2019-10-28

Requester: In compliance with U.S.C. Title 33, Chapter 9, Subchapter 1, Section 408, Union Pacific Railroad, has requested permission from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) to alter the Los Angeles River Channel.

Location:

The proposed action would replace an existing 24" storm drain pipe with a new 24" storm drain line running roughly parallel and to the south of the existing alignment, discharging into Los Angeles River Channel within the Los Angeles Transportation Center (LATC) intermodal yard site in the city of Los Angeles, Los Angeles County, California. The proposed features are not inside the channel, and will therefore not require construction within the channel.

Requester's Proposed Action:

Union Pacific Railroad is proposing to replace the existing 24" pipe with a new 24" storm drain line running roughly parallel and to the south of the existing alignment. The new pipe will be installed via jacking and boring a casing pipe (approximately 36" in diameter) using a Smooth Steel pipe (SSP). The jack and bore entrance pit will be located on the Union Pacific project site. The boring head of the jack and bore operations will daylight at the concreted side slope of the LA River. A new 24" pipe will be placed inside the new SSP casing pipe. The concrete side channel will be sawcut to accommodate the jack and bore operations. Once the new casing pipe has been placed and the new 24" carrier pipe has been placed, the side channel will be restored to match the existing condition such that the 24" storm drain pipe is flush with the side of the concrete channel. There will be reinforcing just outside the new 24" storm drain pipe opening and new concrete will be placed on the LA River's side channel to match adjacent existing slopes and thickness. The existing storm drain pipe will be abandoned in place, filled and plugged at each end. The purpose of the project is to repair the heavily damaged existing storm drain pipe that discharges runoff from the Union Pacific intermodal yard to LA River.

Authority: The authority to grant permission for temporary or permanent use, occupation or alteration of any USACE Civil Works project is contained in Section 14 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899, as amended, codified at 33 USC 408 ("Section 408"). Section 408 authorizes the Secretary of the Army, on the recommendation of the Chief of Engineers, to grant permission for the alteration or occupation or use of a USACE project if the Secretary determines that the activity will not be injurious to the public interest and will not impair the

usefulness of the project. The Secretary of Army's authority under Section 408 has been delegated to the USACE, the Chief of Engineers. The Chief of Engineers has further delegated the authority to the USACE, Directorate of Civil Works and Division and District Engineers, depending upon the nature of the activity.

Limits of Section 408 Authority: A requester has the responsibility to acquire all other permissions or authorizations required by federal, state, and local laws or regulations, including any required permits from the USACE Regulatory Program under Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899 (33 USC 403), Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (33 USC Section 1344), and/or Section 103 of the Marine Protection, Research and Sanctuaries Act of 1972 (33 USC 1413). In addition, an approval under Section 408 does not grant any property rights or exclusive privileges nor does it authorize any injury to the property or rights of others.

Consideration of Comments: The Corps is soliciting comments from the public, Federal, State and local agencies and officials, and other interested parties. Comments will be made part of the record, and they will be considered before permission is granted to proceed with this action. Please limit comments to the area of the alteration and those adjacent areas that would be directly or indirectly affected by the alteration described in this public notice.

Submission of Comments: Interested parties may submit, in writing, any comments concerning this proposal. Comments should reference public notice no. SPL-408-PN-2019-0027 and be forwarded by the comment due date of October 28, 2019. Comments must be sent to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Los Angeles District, Engineering Division, ATTN: Priyo Majumdar, 915 Wilshire Boulevard, Suite 930, Los Angeles, California 90017-3409. Alternatively, comments can be sent electronically to Priyodarshi.Majumdar@usace.army.mil.

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