



# PUBLIC NOTICE

Sawpit Wash Channel – New storm drain connection

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

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**Public Notice No.:** SPL-408-PN-2020-0014

**Permit No.:** SPL-408-2020-0014

**Comment Period:** 2020-04-20 to 2020-05-21

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**Requester:** In compliance with U.S.C. Title 33, Chapter 9, Subchapter 1, Section 408, Stephen Quan Liu, through the Los Angeles County Flood Control District (LACFCD), has requested permission from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) to alter the Sawpit Wash Channel.

**Location:**

The proposed action would construct a new storm drain connection to the east bank of Sawpit Wash Channel immediately north of Deodar Lane West crossing of the channel in the City of Monrovia, Los Angeles County, California. The proposed features are in-river, which will require construction within the channel.

**Requester's Proposed Action:**

Stephen Quan Liu is proposing to construct a 30 inch diameter reinforced concrete pipe (RCP) storm drain connection to the Sawpit Wash Channel at station 1067+60.00 of the Sawpit Wash Channel. The trench for the connection would be located across the existing right-of-way that is dirt with no vegetation. Work will take approximately one week to complete. The connection will not affect the existing operation of the Sawpit Channel.

The purpose of the project is to alleviate the flooding of the areas in the southwest portion of the Bradbury estates and the homes in Duarte that abut along Bradbury Estates. The project is needed to collect the water that runs from the northwest portion of Bradbury Estates that runs to Sawpit Lane.

**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). The compliance determination for any Section 10/404/103 permit decision associated with the proposed alteration will also address the Section 408 compliance determination. 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-2020-0014 and be forwarded by the comment due date of May 21, 2020. 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](mailto:Priyodarshi.Majumdar@usace.army.mil).

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