

PUBLIC NOTICE

PUBLIC NOTICE OF PROPOSED ACTIVITY AND PREPARATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

FULLERTON DAM BASIN TED CRAIG REGIONAL PARK BIKE FACILITY, ORANGE COUNTY, CALIFORNIA.

U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS LOS ANGELES DISTRICT

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Comment Period: February 1, 2022 to March 3, 2022

Direct comments to: Phil Serpa

Notice of Preparation

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The Los Angeles District, U. S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) is preparing an Environmental Assessment (EA) on behalf of Orange County Parks (Proponent). The Proponent has requested the Corps' approval to construct, operate, and maintain a 9.7-acre mountain bike skills course facility for all ages and abilities within the Ted Craig Regional Park (Park) adjacent to Fullerton Dam in the City of Fullerton, California. The Proposed Project site is on land owned in fee by the Federal government and the adjacent Fullerton Dam is operated and maintained by the Corps for flood control purposes. The Proposed Project would be located on land within the Reservoir that is outgranted by the Corps to OC Parks for recreational purposes. The proposed bike facility is located more than one hundred feet outside the Corps Fullerton Dam operation and maintenance boundary.

The Project would include a variety of newly constructed trail features and difficulty types, including beginner and intermediate pump tracks, beginner to advanced dirt jump areas, slope style courses, a tot track, an improved creek loop trail, and a multi-use cross country loop. The trail widths would range from 36 to 96 inches and have a maximum slope of 15 percent. The slope average would be 1 to 5 percent for beginner tracks and 5 to 7 percent for intermediate and advanced tracks. The trail lengths would range from 215 feet in length for the dirt jump areas, to 3,774 feet for the multi-use cross country loop. There would be five ramada areas with picnic tables proposed within the Project to provide shade and rest areas for bike facility users. Signage, including ADA signage and striping (where necessary) would be installed to provide guidance and direction to bike facility users throughout the Project area. A weather resistant bulletin board/map kiosk would be installed at the entry of the Project illustrating the map, legend, and bulletin information of trail difficulty for bike facility users. In addition, trailhead posts would be placed throughout the Project informing progressive skill level features, identifying trail names, and trail information. A storm water catch

basin and bioswales/filtration system would also be installed as part of the Project.

The Corps is requesting comments pertaining to the proposed project from Federal, state, local agencies, and the public in general that would lead to the determination by decision makers on the preparation of a Finding of No Significant Impact or whether an Environmental Impact Statement would be required.

The Environmental Assessment is being prepared in compliance with the National Environmental Protection Act (NEPA) other Federal laws, regulations, Executive Orders, and Corps' policies. The Corps is the lead Federal agency for the proposed action. Comments received will be considered in determining whether an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) will be required or whether a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) can be issued.

All comments must be received by 5 p.m. on March 3, 2022.

A draft EA can be made available upon request, and the Corps shall consider any comments received during the public comment period (February 1 to March 3, 2022). Consideration of public and agency comments would be reflected in a memorandum for record placed in the Administrative Record, unless consideration of the comments is reflected directly in the EA. Pursuant to 33 CFR § 230.11, a separate notification will be sent to concerned agencies, organizations, and to the interested public stating that the FONSI is available for review once the EA is complete. If significant effects onthe quality of the human environment are subsequently identified and cannot be mitigated to a less than significant level, the Corps will initiate preparation of an EIS and afford the public opportunities to participate in the environmental review process.

If you have questions or would like additional information, please contact Lieutenant Colonel Malia R. Pearson at (213) 447-2893. Comments should be sent to:

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TECR Bike Facility Project Boundary

USACE Project Operations Area

Craig Regional Park

City of Fullerton Open Space

Notes 1. Coordinate System: NAD 1983 StatePlane California VI FIPS 0406 Feet 2. Background: USDA NAIP 2020

