



SPECIAL PUBLIC NOTICE

DECISION TO ACCEPT FUNDS FROM THE SAN DIEGO UNIFIED PORT DISTRICT

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Following an initial public notice circulated on January 15, 2008, this Special Public Notice announces that the District Commander of the Los Angeles District of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (“Corps”) has decided to accept and expend funds contributed by the San Diego Unified Port District (“Port”) as outlined in the Memorandum for the Record signed on March 29, 2012. The Los Angeles District would allocate funds in order to expedite processing of the Port’s permit applications. Though the Port would receive more expeditious reviews of their permit applications, procedural and substantive requirements of the DA permit application review process remain unchanged. The decision to accept funds is in response to the multiple, large, and complex DA permit applications that will be submitted by the Port, and the need to devote significant staff time to these applications in order to ensure the Port and the Public are best served through the permit evaluation process. The decision to accept funds does not constitute any endorsement or implied consent of Port proposed projects; rather it will enable Corps Regulatory personnel to devote the attention required to these applications, in both a timelier and more thorough manner, benefiting the Port and the public.

Copies of the documents related to this decision as well as any future permit decisions evaluated by Port –funded Corps Regulatory personnel, can be viewed at the Corps’ District Regulatory webpage:

http://spl.usace.army.mil/regulatory/WRDA_page.html



Regulatory Program Goals:

- To provide strong protection of the nation's aquatic environment, including wetlands.
- To ensure the Corps provides the regulated public with fair and reasonable decisions.
- To enhance the efficiency of the Corps’ administration of its regulatory program.

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