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### **U.S. Army Corps of Engineers announces ground spraying at Lower Cape May Meadows**

PHILADELPHIA (Sept 16, 2004)--- The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and its partners in the Lower Cape May Meadows – Cape May Point Ecosystem Restoration Project plan to begin ground spraying of the EPA-registered glyphosate-based herbicide Glypro®, Monday Sept. 20, to manage the *Phragmites australis* within about 50 acres of the Cape May Point State Park and the Nature Conservancy-owned Cape May Migratory Bird Refuge.

One of the most widely used herbicides on the market, glyphosate has been registered for use since 1974 by the EPA and classified as a non-carcinogenic compound for humans.

Based on favorable weather forecasts, ground spraying is scheduled to begin Monday Sept. 20 and continue to Friday Oct. 1 if necessary. Ground spraying will not occur on weekends. The hours of ground spraying will be from 7:00 am to 7:00 pm.

Many safety precautions are in place including the identification of buffer zones; 50 feet for forested communities and significant populations of moderate priority rare species; 100 feet for public roads, private residences, and populations of high priority rare species; and 300 feet for public access buildings. In most cases, the actual distances will be much greater.

During ground spraying of the Cape May Point State Park officials plan partial closures of the trail system only. For more information please call the park at (609) 884-2159.

For additional project information please call or visit the Philadelphia District at:

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Project website <http://www.nap.usace.army.mil/Projects/LCMM/index.htm>