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US Army Corps of Engineers Philadelphia District	Public Notice No. CENAP-OP-R-2019-278	Date 01 September 2020	
Wanamaker Building 100 Penn Square East Philadelphia, PA 19107-3390 ATTN: CENAP-OP-R	Application No. CENAP-OP-R-2019-278	File No. CENAP-OP-R-2019-278	
	In Reply Refer to: REGULATORY BRANCH		

This Public Notice (PN) is related to an earlier Corps of Engineers PN identified as CENAP-OP-R-2019-278, issued and re-issued by the Philadelphia District on 24 July and 30 July 2020. Those previous notices, and this new notice, are associated with an application for a Department of the Army permit pursuant to Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899 (33 U.S.C. 403) and Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1344) by the Diamond State Port Corporation (DSPC) to discharge fill material and to conduct dredging and disposal activities within, and adjacent to, navigable waters of the United States at the proposed Port of Wilmington, Edgemoor Expansion project site. In addition, DSPC has requested Corps of Engineers permission under 33 USC 408 (Section 14 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899; hereinafter Section 408) to utilize a portion of the Main Navigation Channel of the Delaware River, Philadelphia to Sea Federal Navigation Project as their ship turning basin.

The purpose of this notice is two-fold: to extend the comment period of Public Notice CENAP-OP-R-2019-278, and to clarify the description of one of the activities (the ship turning basin) under review by the Corps of Engineers.

Extend the Public Notice Time Period: In response to several requests from the public for additional time in which to provide comments on the project, the Corps of Engineers has decided to extend the public notice comment period for an additional 30 days, to terminate on October 1, 2020. The public is invited to submit comments to this office until, and including, that date. Comments should be forwarded to the District Engineer, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Philadelphia District at: <u>PhiladelphiaDistrictRegulatory@usace.army.mil</u>. This action is taken pursuant to federal regulations at 33 CFR 325.2(d)(2).

Clarify the Text of the Public Notice: On page 8 of our earlier PN, reference was made to the DSPC's desire to use a section of the Main Navigation Channel of the Delaware River, Philadelphia to Sea Federal Navigation Project as a "cargo ship turning basin." In response to our notice, two commenters asked for clarification as to the location of the turning basin. Although the turning basin is not separate from the "proposed limits of dredging" shown on plan sheet 6 attached to the PN, it should be noted that the "basin" is to be positioned at the downstream end of the dredging area. The turning basin is not a separate physical feature of the dredging project, but refers to the manner in which the DSPC proposes to eventually *use* a portion of the Federal Navigation Channel (i.e., to use the channel to turn, or rotate, vessels entering the port so that those vessels face down-river). DSPC proposes to use the channel in this way because the size of the proposed dredging area is insufficient to fully accommodate the

larger vessels expected to visit the port while those vessels are in the act of turning to face in a down-stream direction.

To further clarify any misunderstanding about this matter, a graphic plan showing the intended location of the turning basin is attached to this Public Notice.

Todd A. Schaible Chief, Regulatory Branch



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	PERN		PORT OF WILMINGTON EDGEMOOR EXPANSION	BRANDYWINE HUNDRED ~ NEW CASTLE COUNTY ~ DELAWARE	
LEGEND PROPERTY LINE		DATE: JANUARY 2019			
ADJOINER LINE CHANNEL LIMITS LIMITS OF DREDGING PROPOSED ASPHALT	SCALE: 1'' = 500'				
PROPOSED WHARF	PROJECT NO. 11139.LH				
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