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TO INTERESTED PARTIES:

The Draft Supplemental Environmental Assessment (Draft SEA) for the Oceanside Harbor Maintenance Dredging Project is available for review. The Draft SEA has been prepared in compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969, as amended (42 USC 4321-4347); the Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) regulations for implementing NEPA (40 CFR 1500-1508); and the USACE's NEPA Regulations (33 CFR Part 230).

The original Environmental Assessment (EA) was completed in 2018. Recent proposed modifications to the project, including adding equipment and pipeline storage areas and transportation corridors on Harbor Beach and deepening a portion of the advanced maintenance area in the Entrance Channel to a newly authorized depth of -30 ft MLLW from the previously authorized depth of -25 ft MLLW, are evaluated in this SEA.

A copy of the Draft SEA can be downloaded from the following site:

SPL-2022-1214-NLH Supplemental EA Mod Oceanside Harbor Maintenance Dredging

The purpose of the proposed project is to re-establish authorized channel depths in Oceanside Harbor to support safe commercial, recreational, and military navigation operations in this harbor. Construction is currently annually each spring through 2028.

Please respond with comments on the Draft SEA by January 20, 2023. Comments may be sent to lawrence.j.smith@usace.army.mil.

Alternatively, correspondence may be sent to:

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If you have any questions regarding the project, please contact Mr. Larry Smith, Project Environmental Coordinator, at (213) 452-3846.

Thank you for your attention to this document.

Sincerely,

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