

PUBLIC NOTICE

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Wilmington District's decision to accept and expend North Carolina Department of Transportation funds for expediting permit review on transportation projects.

This Public Notice announces the decision of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), Wilmington District, to accept and expend funds contributed by the North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT). NCDOT has a number of highway projects the USACE reviews under Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act and Section 404 of the Clean Water Act. The funds would be used to streamline evaluation of NCDOT applications within the state of North Carolina.

On July 13, 2016, the Wilmington District published a Public Notice announcing the proposal to accept and expend such funds. The notice also discussed the kind of activities for which funds would be expended and the safeguarding procedures which would be used to ensure that the funds will not impact impartial decision making. This public notice may be found at the following web address:

http://www.saw.usace.army.mil/Portals/59/docs/regulatory/publicnotices/2016/NCDOT-Funded-Position-PN.pdf?ver=2016-07-12-142611-227. No comments were received concerning the proposal to accept and expend funds.

On January 18, 2017, the Wilmington District Commander determined that acceptance and expenditure of such funds would be in accordance with Section 214 of the Water Resources Development Act of 2000, as amended by the Federal Water Resources Reform and Development Act of 2014.

If you have any questions concerning this notice, please contact Mr. Monte Matthews of the Wilmington District at (919) 554-4884 x31 or by email at: monte.k.matthews@usace.army.mil