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PUBLIC NOTICE

SUBJECT: REGULATORY ACTIVITIES DURING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC

The US Army Corps of Engineers is providing this update to inform the public and our Federal and State agency partners of our activities during the current COVID-19 pandemic.

There have been no changes in the requirements associated with our authorities under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act and Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act and it is our intention to continue to fully implement the requirements associated with these authorities during this pandemic. However, in order to maximize the safety of our Regulatory staff and that of applicants, landowners, and consultants we have implemented the following measures:

1. All Wilmington Regulatory Field offices will be closed to visitors until further notice.
2. Most regulatory staff will be teleworking from an offsite location and access to e-mail and connectivity to Department of Army computer servers will be compromised due to the increase in use by all USACE employees. We expect that this will cause some delays in the processing of your requests, however, we are still available by phone and e-mail. The link below will take you to our Regulatory website where you can find contact information for our Regulatory project managers.

<https://www.saw.usace.army.mil/Missions/Regulatory-Permit-Program/Contact/>

3. Project Managers cannot attend face-to-face meetings with 10 or more individuals.
4. Field visits will **NOT** be conducted until further notice. This is subject to change depending on local, state, or Federal proclamation.
5. We will continue to accept and process requests for jurisdictional determinations and applications for Department of the Army permits. **However, we will ONLY accept electronic submissions.** Please refer to our Public Notice (link below) dated March 9, 2020 for instructions on how to submit such requests.

<https://saw-reg.usace.army.mil/PN/2020/e-FILES-PN-20200221.pdf>

6. We want to stress the need for applicants to submit accurate and reliable information in order to ensure that we are able to process requests in the quickest timeframes possible.