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Corps sets hearing on dredged material processing facility

The Army Corps of Engineers will hold a public hearing May 16 on a proposed facility to process material dredged from the Port of New York and New Jersey.

The hearing will have two sessions, from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. and from 7 p.m. until the end of the hearing. It will be held in the auditorium of the Hackensack Meadowlands Development Corporation's Environment Center at 2 DeKorte Park Plaza, Lyndhurst.

The HMDC and EnCap Golf, Inc., of Tampa, Fla., are seeking a Corps permit to build a facility to treat dredged material from channel deepening projects in the harbor. The project would begin with dredging for a barge offloading area and construction of a dock with cranes where Berry's Creek meets the Hackensack River in Lyndhurst and Rutherford.

The goal of the project is to beneficially re-use the dredged materials to safely close the Avon, Rutherford and Lyndhurst landfills. After the landfills are permanently closed, the proposal indicates a public golf course may be built on the site.

The Corps must decide if the plan, which would impact wetlands, is appropriate and consistent with regulations regarding permanent and temporary fill of tidal wetlands. The hearing is being held to give interested parties the opportunity to express their views on the proposal and to present information to the Corps.

Written comments may also be submitted and will carry the same weight in the evaluation process as will oral comments. Written comments must be received by 5 p.m. May 26 at the New York District, Army Corps of Engineers, Regulatory Branch, Room 1937, 26 Federal Plaza, New York, NY 10278-0090. The public notice for the hearing, with a detailed project description, maps and directions to the hearing, is available on the New York District web site at

<http://www.nan.usace.army.mil/business/buslinks/regulat/pnotices/050100.pdf>