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Corps to hold scoping meeting on Habitat Restoration Study at Liberty State Park

New York — The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers will hold a public scoping meeting to allow interested citizens, organizations and businesses to learn about and provide comments on preliminary plans for habitat restoration at Liberty State Park, N.J. The meeting scheduled for Oct. 16, will be held at the Liberty State Park Interpretive Center at 7 p.m.

The scoping meeting will consist of four parts, with the first part an informal period to provide an opportunity for one-on-one discussions between the public and technical personnel involved in the study. Next will be a summary presentation outlining the scope of the project and presenting various alternatives for consideration, followed by an opportunity for interested persons to provide comments on the proposed project. The meeting will conclude with an informal question and answer period.

The Corps has scheduled the meeting to provide a forum to answer questions on the Environmental Impact Statement process and to receive input to help finalize the study's scope. The public meeting is part of the scoping process under the National Environmental Policy Act, which requires Federal agencies to consider environmental effects of a proposed plan in the decision-making process. The Corps of Engineers' New York District is conducting the Liberty State Park habitat restoration study in partnership with the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey and the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection.

Written comments are encouraged and can be sent to Robert Will, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New York District, Attention CENAN-PL, Jacob K. Javits Federal Building, 26 Federal Plaza, New York, NY 10278-0900. Mr. Will may be contacted at (212) 264-2165.