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Notice of Availability

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New York District, in partnership with the non-Federal sponsor New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, announces the availability of the Draft Integrated Feasibility Report & Environmental Assessment for the Peckman River Basin, New Jersey, Flood Risk Management Feasibility Study, and the opening of the 30-day public comment period on the report. The public comment period concludes on November 8, 2019.

This Draft Integrated Feasibility Report and Environmental Assessment addresses flood risk management in the Peckman River Basin and is an update to the DIFR/EA previously released in May 2018 due to refinements to the project design.

In summary, the Tentatively Selected Plan includes the following: a) construction of a 1,500 foot long, 40-foot diameter double box diversion culvert to divert floodwater from the Peckman into the Passaic River. The inlet at the Peckman river includes two weirs to manage flow and create a pool near the inlet; b) Approximately 1,848 feet of channel modifications within the Peckman River near the diversion culvert inlet; c) Approximately 2,170 linear feet of levees and/or floodwalls upstream and downstream of the weir; d) Approximately 1,207 linear feet of levees and/or floodwalls in the vicinity of the Little Falls High School; e) Nonstructural treatments of 58 structures within the ten percent floodplain; f) compensatory forested wetland, riparian habitat and riverine mitigation.

The report and associated documents are available on New York District's web site at: http://www.nan.usace.army.mil/Missions/Civil-Works/Projects-in-New-Jersey/Peckman-River-Basin-Flood-Risk-Management-Feasibility-Study.

Written comments and general questions on the Draft Integrated Feasibility Report and Environmental Assessment should be submitted to:

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Public comments can also be submitted by email to: peckman.river@usace.army.mil

Comments submitted will assist in the agency's evaluation of the project changes and will be reflected in the project record.

All written comments, including contact information, will be made a part of the administrative record, available to the public under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA). The Administrative Record, or portions thereof, may also be posted on an U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' Internet website. Due to resource limitations, this office generally cannot acknowledge receipt of comments or respond to individual letters.