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NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY
DRAFT FEASIBILITY REPORT / ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT AND PROPOSED
DRAFT FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT FOR THE CHARLESTON
PENINSULA COASTAL FLOOD RISK MANAGEMENT STUDY, CHARLESTON,
SOUTH CAROLINA

NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY ACT / NATIONAL HISTORIC
PRESERVATION ACT

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USCAE), Charleston District and City of Charleston are performing a feasibility study to evaluate storm surge risk reduction measures for the Charleston Peninsula. The goal is to reduce risks to health, safety, and economic damages from coastal storm surge inundation on the peninsula. An integrated Draft Feasibility Report/Environmental Assessment has been prepared to present the results of the study to date, and to analyze impacts of the proposed measures on the environment.

The Draft Feasibility Report/Environmental Assessment was prepared in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). It evaluates potential impacts of the alternative actions on the environment, including the no-action alternative. The Report also integrates the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) Section 106 process to provide the public with information about this undertaking and its effects, and includes a draft Programmatic Agreement to address historic and cultural resources. Based on the Environmental Assessment, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers has proposed a Draft Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI).

USACE and the City recognize that, while a great deal has already been accomplished in the Study process, much additional work will be completed before a Final Report is produced. Accordingly, USACE and City of Charleston invite the public to review and comment on the Draft Feasibility Report/Environmental Assessment for purposes of NEPA and the NHPA and on the proposed Draft FONSI for 60 days, from April 20 to June 19, 2020. The Draft Report and Draft FONSI are available for review at www.sac.usace.army.mil/charlestonpeninsulastudy. Limited hard copies are available for pickup at the USACE Charleston District office, 69A Hagood Avenue, Charleston, SC 29403, Monday-Friday from 7 a.m.-4:30 p.m until June 19. Comments should be submitted in writing by emailing Chs-Peninsula-Study@usace.army.mil, via an online form found at the web address above, or mailed to the Planning and Environmental Branch at the street address above.