

JOINT
PUBLIC NOTICE
For Permit Modification

CHARLESTON DISTRICT, CORPS OF ENGINEERS
69A Hagood Avenue
Charleston, South Carolina 29403-5107
and the
S.C. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL
OFFICE OF OCEAN AND COASTAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT
1362 McMillan Avenue, Suite 400
Charleston, South Carolina 29405

REGULATORY DIVISION

Refer to: P/N #2012-00498-1W(Revised)

19 AUGUST 2014

Pursuant to Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899 (33 U.S.C. 403), Section 401 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1344), and the South Carolina Coastal Zone Management Act (48-39-10 et seq.) an application has been submitted to the Department of the Army and the S.C. Department of Health and Environmental Control by

CITY OF BEAUFORT
c/o SLIGH ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTANTS, INC.
31 PARK OF COMMERCE WAY, SUITE 200B
SAVANNAH, GEORGIA 31405

for a permit to modify the existing Beaufort Downtown Marina by expanding the permitted mooring field in waters of the

BEAUFORT RIVER

at a location within the existing marina, 1006 Bay Street, City of Beaufort, Beaufort County, South Carolina (Latitude 32.42968°, Longitude -80.67226°)

In order to give all interested parties an opportunity to express their views

NOTICE

is hereby given that written statements regarding the proposed work will be received by the **Corps** until

15 days from the date of this notice

and **SCDHEC** will receive written statements regarding the proposed work until

30 days from the date of this notice

from those interested in the activity and whose interests may be affected by the proposed work.

The proposed work consists of an expansion to the permitted mooring field. In detail, the proposed work includes the expansion of the existing mooring field located to the west of the

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existing facility from the permitted area measuring 1,700' x 300' (with 49 mooring envelopes 104' in diameter) to an area measuring 3,155' in length and up to 320' in width as shown on the drawing sheets 1 and 2 of 2 to provide 20 mooring envelopes that will measure 104' in diameter and 21 mooring envelopes that will measure 160' in diameter.

Each mooring envelope will have a center mooring buoy anchored to the river bottom with a helical anchor system. The proposed modification request is to allow the permittee to provide additional space for local and transient boaters and to better accommodate larger vessels up to 40' in length.

NOTE: Plans depicting the work described in this notice are available and will be provided, upon receipt of a written request, to anyone that is interested in obtaining a copy of the plans for the specific project. The request must identify the project of interest by public notice number and a self-addressed stamped envelope must also be provided for mailing the drawings to you. Your request for drawings should be addressed to the

**U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
ATTN: REGULATORY DIVISION
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The District Engineer has concluded that the discharges associated with this project, both direct and indirect, should be reviewed by the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control in accordance with provisions of Section 401 of the Clean Water Act. As such, this notice constitutes a request, on behalf of the applicant, for certification that this project will comply with applicable effluent limitations and water quality standards. The work shown on this application must also be certified as consistent with applicable provisions the Coastal Zone Management Program (15 CFR 930). The District Engineer will not process this application to a conclusion until such certifications are received. The applicant is hereby advised that supplemental information may be required by the State to facilitate the review.

This notice initiates the Essential Fish Habitat (EFH) consultation requirements of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act. Implementation of the proposed project revision would impact an additional 10.7 acres of estuarine substrates and emergent wetlands utilized by various life stages of species comprising the red drum, shrimp, and snapper-grouper management complexes. Our initial determination is that the proposed action would not have a substantial individual or cumulative adverse impact on EFH or fisheries managed by the South Atlantic Fishery Management Council and the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS). Our final determination relative to project impacts and the need for mitigation measures is subject to review by and coordination with the NMFS.

The District Engineer has consulted the most recently available information and has determined that the project will have no effect on any Federally endangered, threatened, or proposed species and will not result in the destruction or adverse modification of designated or proposed critical habitat. This public notice serves as a request to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the National Marine Fisheries Service for any additional information they may have on whether any listed or proposed endangered or threatened species or designated or proposed critical habitat may be present in the area which would be affected by the activity, pursuant to Section 7(c) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (as amended).

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Pursuant to Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA), this public notice also constitutes a request to Indian Tribes to notify the District Engineer of any historic properties of religious and cultural significance to them that may be affected by the proposed undertaking.

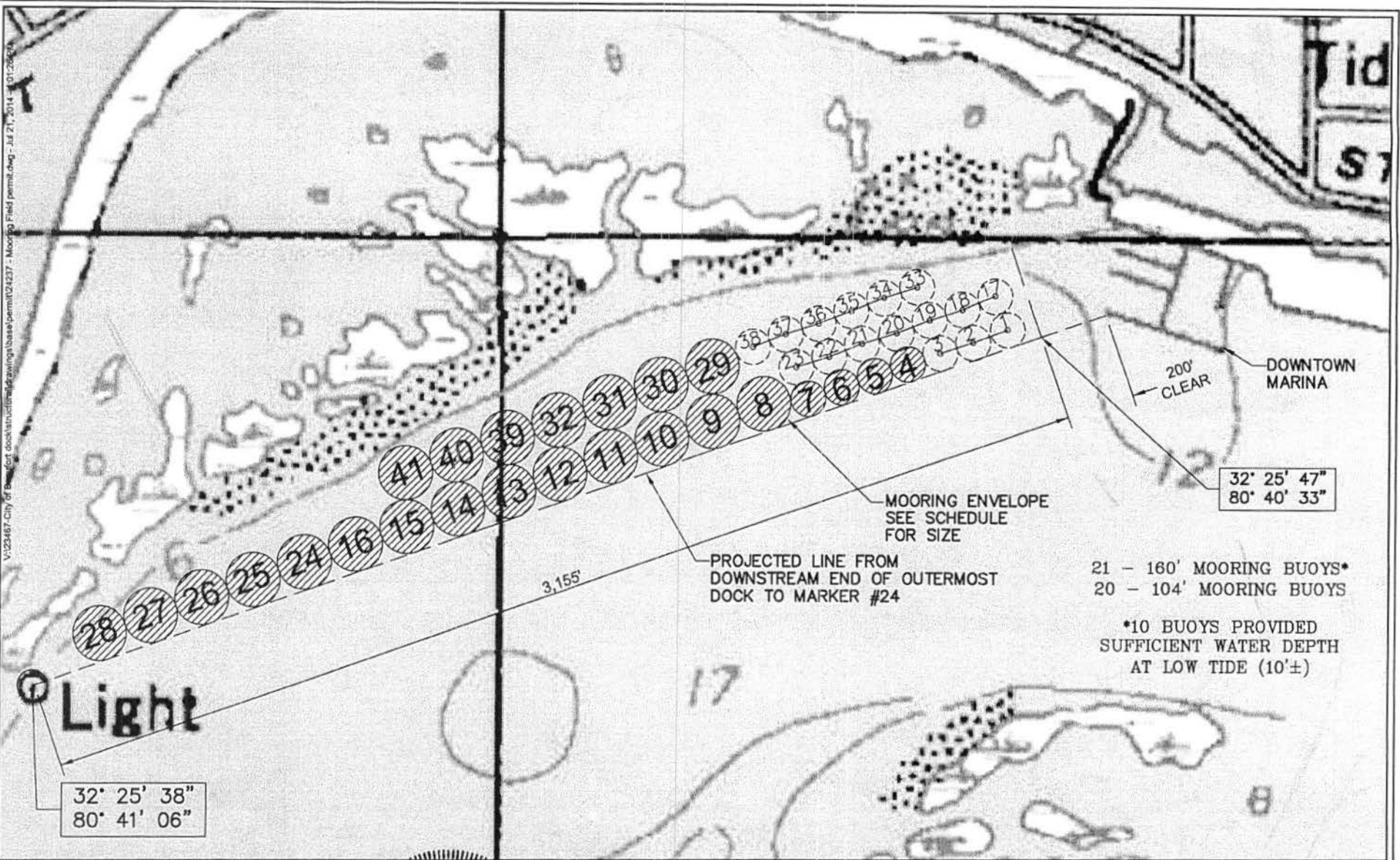
In accordance with the NHPA, the District Engineer has also consulted the latest published version of the National Register of Historic Places for the presence or absence of registered properties, or properties listed as being eligible for inclusion therein, and this worksite is not included as a registered property or property listed as being eligible for inclusion in the Register. To insure that other cultural resources that the District Engineer is not aware of are not overlooked, this public notice also serves as a request to the State Historic Preservation Office to provide any information it may have with regard to historic and cultural resources.

Any person may request, in writing, within the comment period specified in this notice, that a public hearing be held to consider this application. Requests for a public hearing shall state, with particularity, the reasons for holding a public hearing.

The decision whether to issue a permit will be based on an evaluation of the probable impact including cumulative impacts of the activity on the public interest. That decision will reflect the national concern for both protection and utilization of important resources. The benefit which reasonably may be expected to accrue from the project must be balanced against its reasonably foreseeable detriments. All factors which may be relevant to the project will be considered including the cumulative effects thereof; among those are conservation, economics, aesthetics, general environmental concerns, wetlands, historic properties, fish and wildlife values, flood hazards, flood plain values, land use, navigation, shoreline erosion and accretion, recreation, water supply and conservation, water quality, energy needs, safety, food and fiber production and, in general, the needs and welfare of the people. A permit will be granted unless the District Engineer determines that it would be contrary to the public interest. In cases of conflicting property rights, the Corps of Engineers cannot undertake to adjudicate rival claims.

The Corps of Engineers is soliciting comments from the public; Federal, state, and local agencies and officials; Indian Tribes; and other interested parties in order to consider and evaluate the impacts of this activity. Any comments received will be considered by the Corps of Engineers to determine whether to issue, modify, condition or deny a permit for this project. To make this decision, comments are used to assess impacts on endangered species, historic properties, water quality, general environmental effects, and the other public interest factors listed above. Comments are used in the preparation of an Environmental Assessment and/or an Environmental Impact Statement pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act. Comments are also used to determine the need for a public hearing and to determine the overall public interest of the activity.

If there are any questions concerning this public notice, please contact Debbie King at 843-329-8044 or toll free at 1-866-329-8187.



CITY OF BEAUFORT

BEAUFORT, SOUTH CAROLINA

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 CITY OF BEAUFORT

DATE: JULY 22, 2014



PROPOSED ACTIVITY:
 DOWNTOWN MARINA
 MOORING FIELD

DATUM: NAVD 88
 COUNTY: BEAUFORT
 SHEET: 1 of 2
 SCALE: AS SHOWN

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MOORING DIAMETER TABLE	
EXISTING	
DIAMETER	TOTAL
104 FEET	16
PROPOSED	
104 FEET	4
160 FEET	21

MOORING ENVELOPE COORDINATE SCHEDULE					
MOORING NUMBER	LATITUDE/LONGITUDE AT CENTER POINT	MOORING DIAMETER	MOORING NUMBER	LATITUDE/LONGITUDE AT CENTER POINT	MOORING DIAMETER
1	N32° 25.787' W80° 40.569'	104'	22	N32° 25.775' W80° 40.672'	104'
2	N32° 25.781' W80° 40.589'	104'	23	N32° 25.770' W80° 40.691'	104'
3	N32° 25.776' W80° 40.608'	104'	24	N32° 25.678' W80° 40.976'	160'
4	N32° 25.771' W80° 40.627'	104'	25	N32° 25.667' W80° 41.005'	160'
5	N32° 25.765' W80° 40.646'	104'	26	N32° 25.661' W80° 41.035'	160'
6	N32° 25.760' W80° 40.665'	104'	27	N32° 25.653' W80° 41.064'	160'
7	N32° 25.755' W80° 40.684'	104'	28	N32° 25.645' W80° 41.094'	160'
8	N32° 25.752' W80° 40.710'	160'	29	N32° 25.771' W80° 40.740'	160'
9	N32° 25.744' W80° 40.740'	160'	30	N32° 25.762' W80° 40.769'	160'
10	N32° 25.736' W80° 40.769'	160'	31	N32° 25.754' W80° 40.799'	160'
11	N32° 25.728' W80° 40.799'	160'	32	N32° 25.746' W80° 40.829'	160'
12	N32° 25.719' W80° 40.828'	160'	33	N32° 25.808' W80° 40.621'	104'
13	N32° 25.711' W80° 40.858'	160'	34	N32° 25.803' W80° 40.640'	104'
14	N32° 25.703' W80° 40.887'	160'	35	N32° 25.797' W80° 40.659'	104'
15	N32° 25.694' W80° 40.917'	160'	36	N32° 25.791' W80° 40.678'	104'
16	N32° 25.686' W80° 40.946'	160'	37	N32° 25.786' W80° 40.697'	104'
17	N32° 25.603' W80° 40.576'	104'	38	N32° 25.780' W80° 40.716'	104'
18	N32° 25.797' W80° 40.595'	104'	39	N32° 25.737' W80° 40.858'	160'
19	N32° 25.792' W80° 40.614'	104'	40	N32° 25.729' W80° 40.888'	160'
20	N32° 25.786' W80° 40.633'	104'	41	N32° 25.721' W80° 40.917'	160'
21	N32° 25.781' W80° 40.653'	104'			

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