

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS, TULSA DISTRICT 2488 EAST 81st STREET TULSA, OKLAHOMA 74137-4290

March 15, 2022

Notification of Public Scoping Meeting Red River Chloride Control Project Disposition Study Hall, Cottle, King, and Knox Counties, Texas

The U.S Army Corps of Engineers, Tulsa District (USACE) initiated a study looking at the potential disposition of the Red River Chloride Control Project (RRCCP) in Hall, Cottle, King, and Knox Counties, Texas. The USACE has opened a 30-day public scoping period, today March 15, 2022, to gather public feedback on the potential beneficial and adverse impacts of disposing of the project. Any feedback provided will be incorporated into a report that will disclose the social, economic, and environmental effects of disposition.

The RRCCP is a legislated endeavor to reduce naturally occurring chlorides in the Red River Basin to improve water quality for municipal, agricultural, and industrial uses. The authorized project features being considered for disposition include: a containment ring levee at Estelline Springs; three low flow, inflatable weirs for the collection of brine-laden waters at Area VII, VIII, and X; one brine storage lake for holding concentrated brine solutions (Truscott Brine Disposal Reservoir); all necessary pumps and pipelines to transport brine solutions from the collection sites to Truscott Brine Disposal Reservoir; and an approximately 10,000-acre piece of land used as a fish and wildlife mitigation site known as Crowell Mitigation Area.

The USACE will host public scoping meetings on March 23, 2022 at Truscott Community Foundation Building (1620 FM 1756 W, Crowell, TX 79227) located in Truscott, Texas and on March 24, 2022 at Red River Authority of Texas offices (3000 Hammon Rd, Wichita Falls, Texas 76310) from 5:00 pm – 8:00 pm each night. The meetings will follow an open house-style format (no formal presentations). Information tables with display boards providing an overview of the RRCCP, purpose and scope of the study, and the alternatives being considered will be available for review. Subject matter experts will be present to answer questions. Information presented at the public meetings will also be available starting March 23, 2022 at the Tulsa District website link below:

https://www.swt.usace.army.mil/

Comments must be submitted in writing and can be given to USACE staff at the public meetings, e-mailed to CESWT-RRCCP-Disposition@usace.army.mil, or mailed to Ms. Melinda Fisher, Environmental Branch, Regional Planning and Environmental Center, 2488 E 81st Street, Tulsa, Oklahoma 74137-4290. Comments should be postmarked by April 15, 2022.

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