NOTICE of INTENT to BEGIN ENVIRONMENTAL & ENGINEERING STUDIES Gustavus Ferry Terminal Improvements Project #68128

Gustavus Ferry Terminal has a dock approach with an obstacle, resulting in unsafe and difficult turning movements for trucks backing onto the ferry. It also shares access with the adjacent public harbor where harbor and ferry traffic can't be readily separated. This may result in unauthorized access to ferry vessels which poses a security risk.



This proposed project would follow the process required under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA).

Based on project location and scope of work, the environmental document would be a Categorical Exclusion. Possible affected resources include waters of the U.S., essential fish habitat, threatened and endangered species or their critical habitats, and cultural or historic properties.

The project would comply with these Acts & Executive Orders

- National Historic Preservation Act Section.106
- Clean Air & Clean Water Acts
- Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation Management Act
- EO-12898 (Environmental Justice)
- EO-13112 (Invasive Species)

Comments on the proposal from interested persons will assist us in preparing the project's environmental documentation.

Please submit your written comments to:

Hilary Lindh, Environmental Impact Analyst

The proposed project would modify an existing pile supported dock structure and construct 1,300 square feet of new dock structure to eliminate an angle point in the dock approach. The project would also

- remove and demolish existing portions of dock structure and timber mooring floats
- extract five steel piles
- install a 6' wide by 80' long pedestrian access gangway
- construct a new 16' wide by 100' long steel mooring float
- drive approximately 17 steel pipe piles to support the dock expansion and restrain float

DOT&PF proposes to use federal funds to complete these improvements.

Construction is projected for 2015



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If you or someone you represent requires special accommodations in order to respond to this public notice, please call or email the Environmental Impact Analyst listed in this notice. Ask the communications assistant to call the Environmental Impact Analyst so arrangements can be made to assist you.

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