



**US Army Corps
of Engineers** ®
Wilmington District

ECP-2020-S408-0004

PUBLIC NOTICE
REQUEST FOR PERMISSION
TO MODIFY A
U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS PROJECT UNDER SECTION 408

TITLE: West Virginia Water Authority (WVWA) Hannah Circle Sewer Realignment Project within the City of Roanoke Virginia.

PUBLIC NOTICE COMMENT PERIOD:

Begins: September 8, 2020

Expires: October 8, 2020

Interested parties are hereby notified that an application has been received for Department of the Army Section 408 (Section 14 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899; 33 U.S.C. 408) approval to conduct proposed work adjacent to the Roanoke River Flood Risk Management project of the United States, as described below. Written comments are being solicited from anyone having an interest in the requested alteration. Comments received will become part of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' (USACE) administrative record and will be considered in determining whether to approve the request. Comments supporting, opposing, or identifying concerns that should be considered by the USACE in its decision process are welcome. Comments providing substantive information and/or a rationale for the commenter's position are the most helpful. Comments regarding the proposed work should reference the USACE public notice number (ECP-2020-S408-0004) and must reach the USACE via email no later than **October 8, 2020** to become part of the public record and be considered in the USACE's decision. Please send comments to the Wilmington District Section 408 Coordinator at: Jennifer.I.Owens@usace.army.mil.

REQUESTER: In compliance with Section 14 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899 (33 U.S.C. 408; hereinafter Section 408), the WVWA has requested permission to construct the Hannah Circle Sewer Realignment Project in Roanoke, VA.

LOCATION: The proposed action is within the upper streambank of the Roanoke River, near Midvale Avenue in the City of Roanoke VA.

PROPOSED ACTION: The proposed sewer realignment project is to be constructed between existing sewer manhole (20B-3942.0), which is located near the curb and gutter of Midvale Ave SW, to the sewer interceptor manhole (20B-1088.0). The WVWA proposes to install 230 linear feet (LF) of new 8-inch PVC sewer line with associated manholes. The purpose of the referenced project is to: (a) replace an aging sewer line and (b) realign the new sewer line to directly enter the existing sewer interceptor manhole. No changes to the Roanoke River bench-cut or streambank and contours are proposed. Approximately 400 square feet of riprap streambank stabilization is planned to replace/augment existing riprap.

REGULATORY AUTHORITY: This request will be reviewed according to the provisions of Section 408. A requester has the responsibility to acquire all other permissions or authorizations required by federal, state, and local laws or regulations. An approval under Section 408 does not grant any property rights or exclusive privileges, nor does it authorize any injury to the property or rights of others.

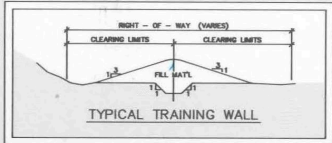
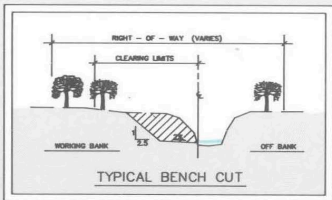
EVALUATION: The decision whether to grant the requested permission for federal project modification under Section 408 will be based on several factors and will reflect the national concern for both protection and utilization of important resources. The benefit which reasonably may be expected to accrue from the proposal must be balanced against its reasonably foreseeable detriments. Review of the request for modification will be reviewed by a USACE technical review team and will consider, but not necessarily be limited to, the following factors:

1. Impair the Usefulness of the Project Determination. The review team will determine if the proposed alteration would limit the ability of the projects to function as authorized, or would compromise or change any authorized project's conditions, purposes, or outputs. The decision whether to approve a request for modification would be based on a determination of no impairments.
2. Injurious to the Public Interest Determination. Proposed alterations will be reviewed to determine the probable impacts, including cumulative impacts, on the public interest.

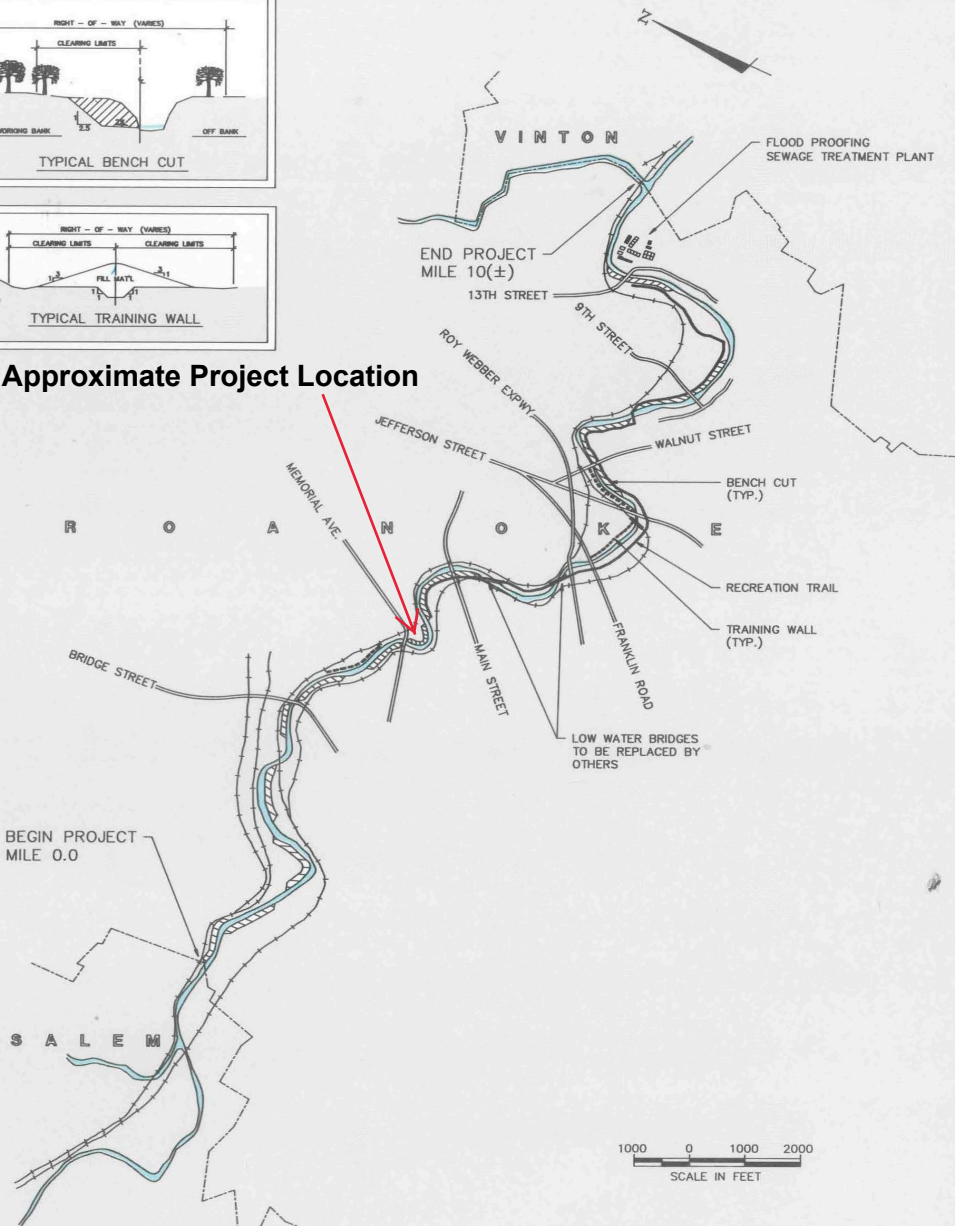
SUMMARY: It should be noted that materials submitted as part of Section 408 requests become part of the public record and will be available to the general public under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA). Individuals may submit a written request to obtain materials under the FOIA or make an appointment to view the project file at the USACE Wilmington District's Office of Counsel.

Interested parties wishing to comment on the proposed action must do so in writing no later than **October 8, 2020**. It is presumed that all parties viewing this notice will wish to respond; therefore, a lack of response will be interpreted as meaning there is no objection to the proposed action as described.

Jenny Owens
Section 408 Coordinator



Approximate Project Location



ROANOKE RIVER UPPER BASIN, VA.

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