

Date:

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Applicant:

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

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Applicant's Representative:

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Project Name:

Regional General Permit (RGP) 22 for the Restoration of Backwaters along the Colorado River

Project Start and Completion:

RGP is issued for a 5-year period (April 2010 - April 2015). Specific projects to be authorized by this RGP must be submitted to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers in accordance with RGP requirements and may not begin until the Corps has verified the work complies with the RGP.

Receiving Water:

Colorado River

Location:

In backwaters along the Lower Colorado River from Davis Dam (RM 276) in Arizona to San Luis Rio Colorado (RM 0) bordering Sonora, Mexico and Arizona.

Project Description:

RGP 22 under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act and Section 10 of the River and Harbor Act of 1899 for the discharge of dredged and/or fill material resulting from wetland and aquatic habitat enhancement, restoration, and maintenance activities in the referenced locations. The basic work to be authorized under RGP22 will be:

- (1) Reestablish meandering channel waterways feeding overgrown and sediment laden lakes and wetlands using mechanical means (dredging by hydraulic dredge and/or amphibious or "cookie cutter" excavators").
- (2) Modify banklines and build islands using ground based excavation in order to create cattail/bulrush wetland fringe habitats and edges.
- (3) Construct permeable water inlet structures and water control structures in existing training structures along levees and inlets between the backwaters and Colorado River.
- (4) Maintenance dredge backwaters previously authorized and dredged under this RGP to originally authorized depths and profiles, and
- (5) Perform revegetation activities by removing saltcedar and replacing it with native riparian tree species. For more information, see page 3 of this notice and attached drawings.

Action:

Pending

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