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IMPACT NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY**

Planning, Environmental and Cultural  
Resources Branch  
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Public Notice Date: January 12, 2022  
Expiration Date: February 11, 2022

Reference: PMP-21-06  
Name: Hiram M. Chittenden Locks Large Lock  
Center Gate Project

Interested parties are hereby notified that the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Seattle District (USACE) has prepared, pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), a Draft Environmental Assessment (EA) and Draft Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) for the proposed replacement of the large lock center gate (LLCG) at the Hiram M. Chittenden Locks in Seattle, King County, Washington. The LLCG replacement is intended to address wear and corrosion of the over 100-year-old gate, in addition to the presence of confined workspaces within the gate that pose safety risks during inspection and repair. The purpose of this Notice is to solicit comments from interested persons, groups, and agencies on the USACE proposed action under NEPA.

**COMMENT AND REVIEW PERIOD**

The USACE invites submission of comments on the environmental impact of the proposed action. The USACE will consider all submissions received before the expiration date of this notice. The nature or scope of the proposal may be changed upon consideration of the comments received. If significant effects on the quality of the human environment are identified and cannot be mitigated for, the USACE would initiate an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) and afford all the public participation opportunities attendant to an EIS.

**COMMENT SUBMISSION**

Submit comments to this office, Attn: Planning, Environmental, and Cultural Resources Branch, P.O. Box 3755, Seattle, WA, 98124-3755, no later than 30 days after the posting of this notice to ensure consideration.

In addition, comments may be emailed to [kaitlin.e.whitlock@usace.army.mil](mailto:kaitlin.e.whitlock@usace.army.mil). This Notice and the Draft EA/FONSI can be found online at the link below.

Project Name: Hiram M. Chittenden Locks Large Lock Center Gate Project  
<http://www.nws.usace.army.mil/Missions/Environmental/Environmental-Documents/>

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