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# Special Public Notice

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**ANNOUNCEMENT:** The Seattle District, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) and National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) will hold a pre-application meeting to discuss proposed projects that may qualify for the Regional General Permit (RGP) 6 for Structures in Inland Marine Waters of Washington State. Additional project that may be discussed include other overwater structures which require interagency coordination.

**What:** RGP-6 Pre-Application Meeting

**Who:** Public (applicants, agents, agencies)

**Where:** Padilla Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve  
10441 Bayview-Edison Road  
Mount Vernon, Washington 98273

**When:** December 5, 2018  
9:30am to 2:00pm

**PURPOSE:** The purpose of an RGP-6 Pre-application (pre-app) meeting is to discuss projects that include overwater structures in inland marine waters that would benefit from interagency coordination. These projects may include those with complex overwater structures or mitigation issues. Pre-app meetings can be held for currently proposed projects that require case-by-case mitigation or those that need early coordination.

**BACKGROUND:** An RGP is a type of general permit that is designed to expedite permit review for applicants provided they meet all the requirements of the RGP. Work authorized by RGP-6 includes residential piers, ramps, floats, buoys, marine rails, stairways, trams and watercraft lifts in inland marine waters of Washington State. Inland marine waters includes tidally influenced waters ranging from South Puget Sound and Hood Canal to the Strait of Juan de Fuca and the Strait of Georgia. The RGP-6 was issued on April 20, 2017 and updated on April 20, 2018.

To meet the terms and conditions of this permit and the associated programmatic consultations with both National Marine Fisheries Service and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, there are limits to the size and locations of structures, in addition to other required minimization measures such as minimizing the width

of structures and grating the entire surface of structures. This permit also requires compensatory mitigation as outlined in Appendix B of the RGP. A mitigation calculator tool has been developed to assist with determination of the sufficiency of compensatory mitigation on a project-specific basis.

To request a pre-app meeting, please provide the following information no later than Wednesday, November 28, 2018. Send request to Mr. Daniel Krenz at [daniel.a.krenz@usace.army.mil](mailto:daniel.a.krenz@usace.army.mil) with the subject line:

Subject Line: RGP-6 Pre-Application Request

1. Applicant and Agent name(s)
2. Corps Reference number (if application has already been submitted)
3. Description of proposed project and mitigation
4. Project drawings
5. Detailed questions that the applicant or agent would like answered in the pre-app meeting
6. Time slot request (if preferable) and requested length of meeting slot (i.e., 1 hour, 1.5 hours, etc.)