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ANNOUNCEMENT: The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Seattle District, Regulatory Branch (Corps) has re-issued Regional General Permit (RGP) 9 to the Port of Chehalis. RGP 9 authorizes the discharge of dredged or fill material into waters of the United States by the Port of Chehalis for the construction or expansion of industrial facilities. RGP 9 is applicable in waters of the United States located within the RGP boundary area located near Chehalis, Lewis County, Washington and at the Pleasant Valley Wetland Mitigation Site located near Adna, Lewis County, Washington.

To review the terms and conditions of the RGP, please visit:

<https://www.nws.usace.army.mil/Missions/Civil-Works/Regulatory/Permit-Guidebook/RGP/>

BACKGROUND: A RGP is a type of Department of the Army authorization that is issued on a regional basis for a category or categories of activities when those activities are substantially similar in nature and would cause no more than minimal individual and cumulative environmental impacts. A RGP is an effective mechanism available to the Corps to improve the regulatory process for applicants, enhance environmental protection, and make more efficient use of limited resources.

RGP 9 contains provisions intended to protect the environment, endangered species, and historic properties and to ensure activities authorized by this RGP would cause no more than minimal individual and cumulative environmental impacts. Proposed work that will not comply with these provisions is not authorized by this RGP and may require Department of the Army authorization by a standard individual permit. Moreover, compliance with the provisions of this RGP does not itself guarantee that the work would be authorized under this RGP.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE: To use RGP 9, the Port of Chehalis must notify the district engineer by submitting a pre-construction notification in accordance with the RGP terms and conditions as early as possible. The Port of Chehalis shall not begin the activity until notified in writing by the district engineer that the activity may proceed under the RGP with any special conditions added by the district engineer.