PUBLIC NOTICE

CHARLESTON DISTRICT, CORPS OF ENGINEERS
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REGULATORY DIVISION 04 November 2005
Refer to: P/N # 28-OCT-2005-NWP CHECKLIST

The purpose of this notice is to advise the public of the development of checklists for Nationwide Permits that are reviewed by the Charleston District, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps). In an effort to streamline the review process within the NWP program, the Corps plans to offer the NWP Checklists to be used by applicants for proposed projects within the state of South Carolina. The checklists are designed to assist applicants in determining if a proposed project is authorized by a NWP and if the application is complete. However, the use of the NWP checklists by applicants is not mandatory.

The NWP Checklists will be available for review on November 4, 2005 on the Charleston District's homepage located at http://www.sac.usace.army.mil/. From the district's homepage, choose the "Permits" link and then select the "Nationwide Permit Checklists" link. The NWP Checklists will be listed by NWP number. In addition, a readme file will be available for explanation of the use of the checklists. The checklists will be in a printable PDF file format. In addition, the Corps will provide hard copies of the NWP Checklists upon receipt of a written request at the above address.

The use of NWP Checklists will not alter the Corps internal review process as the Corps will continue to issue provisional NWP authorization letters. The provisional NWP authorization letter clearly indicates that the permittee must obtain a 401 Water Quality Certification and/or a Coastal Zone Management consistency determination prior to initiating any work authorized therein.

Written statements regarding the proposed NWP Checklists will be received by this office until 12 O'Clock Noon, Monday, December 5, 2005.

If there are any questions concerning this public notice, please contact me at 843-329-8044 or toll free at 1-866-329-8187.

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