



Public Notice

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Sacramento District
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Date: November 21, 2000

Comments Due: December 17, 2000

In reply, please refer to the Public Notice Number

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

SUBJECT: Application for a Department of the Army permit under authority of Section 404 of the Clean Water Act and for water quality certification under Section 401 of the Clean Water Act to fill 4.54 acres of wetland to expand current business operation, as shown in the attached drawings.

APPLICANT: Mike McKee
TNT Auctions
2353 North Redwood Road
Salt Lake City, UT 84116

LOCATION: The project is located at 2500 North Redwood Road, in Section 15, Township 1 North, Range 1 West, Salt Lake County, Utah.

PURPOSE: The proposed expansion is necessary for the existing business to keep pace with the current sales and inventory. The growth over the last three years has increased significantly. Because of the unique nature of the auction business offsite storage is not a practicable alternative. Sales are made on-site and having the merchandise available for inspection before it is auctioned is essential.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: This project is to fill 4.54 acres of wetland and build storage.

AREA DESCRIPTION: To the East is open space to the south is a lot that is slated for development, to the North is a salvage yard, and to the West is the Jordan River. The wetland is of medium quality containing salt grass and pickle weed with some fox tail barley.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: The applicant proposes to mitigate in an approved mitigation bank and to enhance the remaining 3.57 acres of wetland with additional planting. The wetland contains mostly salt grass and pickle weed with some fox tail barley.

The latest published version of the National Register of Historic Places and its monthly supplements have been reviewed and there are no places either listed or recommended as eligible which would be affected.

This activity would not affect any threatened or endangered species or their critical habitat.

The District Engineer has made this determination based on information provided by the applicant and on the Corps' preliminary investigation.

Certification for this project, according to Section 401 of the Clean Water Act has been requested from the Utah Division of Water Quality. The Utah Division of Water Quality intends to issue certification, provided that the proposed work will not violate applicable water quality standards. Projects are usually certified where the project may create diffuse sources (nonpoint sources) of wastes which will occur only during the actual construction activity, and where best management practices will be employed to minimize pollution effects. Written comments on water quality certification should be submitted to William O. Moellmer, Ph.D., Utah Division of Water Quality, P.O. 144870, Salt Lake City, Utah 84114-4870, on or before **December 17, 2000**.

Interested parties are invited to submit written comments on or before **December 17, 2000**. Any person may request, in writing, within the comment period specified in this notice that a public hearing be held to consider this application. Requests for public hearings shall state, with particularity, the reasons for holding a public hearing.

The decision whether to issue a permit will be based on an evaluation of the probable impact including cumulative impacts of the proposed activity on the public interest. That decision will reflect the national concern for both protection and utilization of important resources. The benefit which reasonably may be expected to accrue from the proposal must be balanced against its reasonably foreseeable detriments. All factors which may be relevant to the proposal will be considered including the cumulative effects thereof; among those are conservation, economics, aesthetics, general environmental concerns, wetlands, cultural values, fish and wildlife values, flood hazards, flood plain values, land use, navigation, shoreline erosion and accretion, recreation, water supply and conservation, water quality, energy needs, safety, food and fiber production, mineral needs, consideration of property ownership, and in general, the needs and welfare of the people.

The Corps of Engineers is soliciting comments from the public; Federal, state, and local agencies and officials; Indian Tribes; and other interested parties in order to consider and evaluate the impacts of this proposed activity. Any comments received will be considered by the Corps of Engineers to determine whether to issue, modify, condition or deny a permit for this proposal. To make this decision, comments are used to assess impacts on endangered species, historic properties, water quality, general environmental effects, and the other public interest factors listed above. Comments are used in the preparation of an Environmental Assessment and/or an Environmental Impact Statement pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act. Comments are also used to determine the need for a public hearing and to determine the overall public interest of the proposed activity.

If additional information is required, please contact Mike McKee, telephone (801) 519-0123, or Mr. James Thomas, at 1403 South 600 West, Suite A, Bountiful, Utah 84010, or telephone (801) 295-8380.

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Colonel, Corps of Engineers
District Engineer

Enclosures: Drawing(s)