



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
CORPS OF ENGINEERS, WALLA WALLA DISTRICT
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Planning, Programs, and Project
Management Division

Dear Interested Party:

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Walla Walla District (Corps), is soliciting comments from the public regarding the scope of the Mill Creek General Investigation Study. The Corps, in partnership with the non-federal sponsor, Walla Walla County (County), is developing a plan to reduce flood risks from Mill Creek and prepare a Feasibility Report/Environmental Assessment (FR/EA). The Corps and County recognize the importance of finding safe, reliable and sustainable flood risk solutions.

Scoping comments will be accepted from October 15, 2018 until November 16, 2018. The Corps is particularly interested in your opinion on alternatives and environmental effects that should be considered. Scoping comments will be used in: 1) identifying issues to address; 2) exploring alternatives; and 3) identifying potential environmental effects of possible changes to the system. A public scoping open house will be held at the Courtyard by Marriott located at 550 West Rose Street in Walla Walla, Washington on Thursday, November 1, 2018 from 3:00 to 7:00 p.m. Written comments will be accepted at the meeting.

Electronic comments may be filed directly online at: <http://www.nww.usace.army.mil/EnvironmentalComplianceComment/> or emailed to NEPANWW@usace.army.mil, inserting "Mill Creek GI" in the subject line. You may also mail comments to: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Walla Walla District, ATTN: PPL-C, Mill Creek GI, 201 North 3rd Avenue, Walla Walla, WA 99362-1876. Additional information is available at: <http://www.nww.usace.army.mil/Missions/Environmental-Compliance/>.

The Corps intends to release a draft FR/EA for further public comment in September of 2019. We anticipate a final FR/EA by December 2020. If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Ms. Anneli Colter, Environmental Coordinator at 509-527-7245.

Sincerely,

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Chief, Environmental Resource Section