

## **Public Notice**

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Corps of Engineers Civil Works Action Section 408 Permission for:

Wilson Bridge Boat Ramp Improvement Teton County, Wyoming

PUBLIC NOTICE DATE: December 22, 2017 COMMENTS DUE DATE: January 22, 2018

## 30-day Notice

Interested parties are hereby notified that the Walla Walla District of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) is soliciting scoping comments from the public regarding the Corps' proposal to grant permission pursuant to 33 United States Code Section 408 (Section 408) for potential alteration to a Corps-constructed river improvement (public work). Section 408 authorizes the Secretary of the Army (Secretary) to grant permission for the alteration or occupation or use of a public work if the Secretary determines that the activity will not be injurious to the public interest and will not impair the usefulness of the project.

LOCATION: The Corps proposes to grant Section 408 permission for a recreation improvement project that has the potential to alter the Snake River Federal Levee Project on the Snake River in Wilson, Wyoming. The legal description is Township 41 N, Range 117 W, Section 23, Teton County, Wyoming (Figure 1).

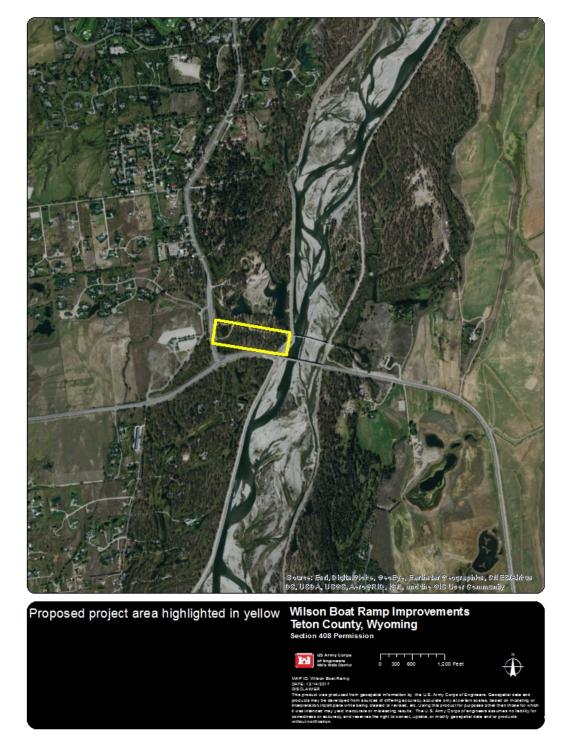


Figure 1. Location map of the potential alteration.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The County of Teton (County), Wyoming proposes to improve the Wilson boat ramp area along the Snake River. The Wilson boat ramp has little development and experiences high use by the public and commercial operations. The lack of improvements at the boat ramp limits the functionality and safe operation of

the site. The proposed development will include a new levee access road, a new bathroom, group meeting areas, a network of pedestrian pathways to allow for handicap access. A parking lot was proposed in earlier versions of the proposed action. As the parking lot is not reasonably certain to occur, but is a future possibility, it would be examined as a potential alternative in the Corps Environmental Assessment.

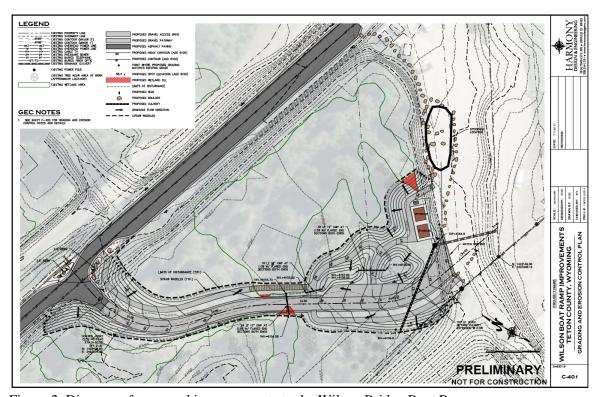


Figure 2. Diagram of proposed improvements to the Wilson Bridge Boat Ramp.

SCOPING COMMENTS: Interested parties are invited to provide their scoping comments on the proposed activity. The Corps is particularly interested in your opinion on issues and environmental effects that should be considered. The Corps intends to prepare an Environmental Assessment (EA) to evaluate the effects of the Corps granting permission to potentially alter the Snake River Federal Levee Project. The EA will be made available for public review at a later date at the following website address: http://www.nww.usace.army.mil/Missions/EnvironmentalCompliance.aspx

COMMENT PERIOD: Written comments will be accepted until January 22, 2018. All information and comments received will become part of the permanent public record. Electronic comments may be filed directly online using the NEPA Online Comment Form in the right-hand column of this webpage, or by via e-mail to <a href="MEPANWW@usace.army.mil">NEPANWW@usace.army.mil</a> and inserting "Wilson Bridge Boat Ramp 408" in the subject line.

You may also mail comments to:

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Walla Walla District CENWW-PM-PD-EC Wilson Bridge Boat Ramp 201 N. 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue Walla Walla, WA 99362-1876

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: Should you need additional information or have any questions, please contact John Hook at (509) 527-7239.

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