



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

BUFFALO DISTRICT, CORPS OF ENGINEERS
1776 NIAGARA STREET
BUFFALO, NEW YORK 14207-3199

REPLY TO:

Executive Office

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SUBJECT: Feasibility Study and Proposed Plan, Interim Waste Containment Structure Operable Unit, Niagara Falls Storage Site

Dear Interested Citizen:

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers is pleased to enclose a fact sheet regarding the *Feasibility Study Report for the Interim Waste Containment Structure at the Niagara Falls Storage Site* and the *Proposed Plan, Interim Waste Containment Structure Operable Unit, Niagara Falls Storage Site* for your comment. The preferred alternative for the Interim Waste Containment Structure (IWCS) Operable Unit of the Niagara Falls Storage Site (NFSS), which is located in Lewiston, New York, is Alternative 4, excavation, partial treatment, and off-site disposal of the entire contents of the IWCS. The Corps of Engineers will be accepting comments regarding the proposed plan and preferred alternative during the comment period, which begins December 7, 2015, and ends February 6, 2016.

The Corps of Engineers is the lead federal agency for this project, which is being executed under the Formerly Utilized Sites Remedial Action Program in accordance with the governing federal law, the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act, as amended, and the National Oil and Hazardous Substances Pollution Contingency Plan (NCP). After evaluating the alternatives in the feasibility study pursuant to the criteria described in the NCP, the Corps of Engineers considers Alternative 4 to provide the best overall protection of human health and the environment.

A public meeting presenting the proposed plan and preferred alternative will be conducted on Wednesday, January 13, 2016, from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at the Town of Lewiston Senior Center, 4361 Lower River Road, Youngstown, New York 14171. The agenda for the meeting is as follows:

- 6:30 p.m. – NFSS history video
- 7:00 p.m. – Poster session
- 7:30 p.m. – Proposed plan and preferred alternative presentation
- 8:00 p.m. – Public comments recorded

A court recorder will be available to record your verbal comments during the poster session and after the presentation. Written comments may be provided that evening; emailed to fusrap@usace.army.mil; or may be mailed to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Buffalo District, Attention: Environmental Project Management Team, 1776 Niagara Street, Buffalo, New York 14207. Mailed comments must be postmarked by February 6, 2016.

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Documents supporting the proposed plan, including the feasibility study, are available in the Reports Section of the NFSS website at:

<http://www.lrb.usace.army.mil/Missions/HTRW/FUSRAP/NiagaraFallsStorageSite.aspx>.

The proposed plan and supporting documents are also available electronically in the administrative record file for the NFSS, which is available for review in the Town of Lewiston Public Library, 305 South Eighth Street, Lewiston, New York, and the Youngstown Free Library, 240 Lockport Street, Youngstown, New York. The administrative record file is also available for review by appointment at the Buffalo District Office Library located at 1776 Niagara Street in Buffalo, New York.

This information was provided to your federal, state and local elected and agency representatives. If you have any questions, please email fusrap@usace.army.mil or call 800-833-6390.

Sincerely,

A large black rectangular redaction box covering the signature and name of the official.

Lieutenant Colonel, Corps of Engineers
District Commander

Enclosure