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MSPA Gulfport Expansion Project EIS Scoping Meeting

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THE NEPA PROCESS



ROD - Record of Decision

NOI - Notice of Intent

EIS - Environmental Impact Statement

DEIS - Draft Environmental Impact Statement

FEIS - Final Environmental Impact Statement

NEPA Process

EIS CONTENT

Resource Topics

- Air Quality
- Noise
- Physiography, Topography, and Bathymetry
- Geology and Soils
- Energy and Mineral Resources
- Ground Water Hydrology
- Water and Sediment Quality
- Commercial and Recreational Navigation
- Vegetation
- Terrestrial Wildlife
- Aquatic Ecology
- Threatened and Endangered Species
- Cultural Resources
- Land Use/Recreation/Aesthetics
- Socioeconomics
- Traffic

Appendices

- Clean Water Act 404(b)(1) Analysis
- Endangered Species Biological Assessment
- Essential Fish Habitat Assessment
- Mississippi Coastal Zone Consistency Determination
- Section 10 Rivers and Harbors Act
- Section 103 Marine, Protection, Research, and Sanctuaries Act

PURPOSE OF THE SCOPING MEETING

Purpose: To identify cooperating agencies, interested parties, significant issues and alternatives to be addressed in the EIS

- **Provide the public with information about the EIS, the project, and how the public will participate in the process**
- **Gather information regarding public opinions, concerns and issues regarding the planned project**
 - **Verbal comments recorded**
 - **Comment cards submitted**