## NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY PROGRAMMATIC FINDING OF NO PRACTICABLE ALTERNATIVE (PFONPA) FOR ROUTINE ARMY ACTIONS OCCURRING WITHIN THE 100-YEAR FLOODPLAINS OR WITHIN WETLANDS AT FORT MOORE AND CAMP FRANK D. MERRILL

The United States Army Maneuver Center of Excellence, Directorate of Public Works, Fort Moore, hereby announces the availability of the Draft Programmatic Finding of No Practicable Alternative (PFONPA) for Fort Moore (Georgia and Alabama) and Camp Frank. D. Merrill (Dahlonega, Georgia). 100-Year floodplains and wetlands have been identified on Fort Moore and Camp Frank D. Merrill, the Proposed Action area.

Fort Moore and Camp Merrill proposes to implement a PFONPA from which to tier activities as identified in Section 2.0 of the PFONPA for routine and ongoing actions that impact wetlands and floodplains on Fort Moore (Georgia and Alabama) and Camp Merrill (Georgia).

Routine Army actions occurring within the 100-year floodplains or wetlands on Fort Moore and Camp Merrill that would be covered under this PFONPA include those that do not, individually, or cumulatively, have the potential to cause significant effects on the environment. These actions typically qualify for a Categorical Exclusion (CX) under *32 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 651* (Environmental Analysis of Army Actions) and do not require further environmental analysis in either an Environmental Assessment (EA) or an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). However, compliance with all other requirements related to the project proposal, including requirements for permits and state regulatory agency review of the plans, is necessary.

Publication of this notice begins a 15-day public review period. The public is invited to review and comment on the Draft PFONPA from August 9, 2023 through August 24, 2023. The Draft PFONPA is available on the Fort Moore website at https://www.moore.army.mil/Garrison/DPW/EMD/Legal.html.

Please send written comments to Environmental Management Division, AMIM-MOP-PE, Attention: Planning and Support Branch Chief, 6650 Meloy Drive, Building 6, Room 310-B, Fort Moore, Georgia 31905-5122; or email comments to <u>brittnea.i.horton.civ@army.mil</u>.

For further information or to request the Draft PFONPA, please contact **Mr. Britt Horton**, Environmental Management Division, at (706) 545-4211 between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. ET.

Sincerely,

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