

Public Notice

20 February 2023

St. Paul District

EFFECTIVE DATE FOR EIGHT REGIONAL GENERAL PERMITS IN MINNESOTA, WISCONSIN, AND FEDERALLY-RECOGNIZED AMERICAN INDIAN RESERVATIONS

Authorities: Section 404 Clean Water Act and Section 10 Rivers and Harbors Act

2022-01867	Bank Stabilization & Habitat Improvement	2022-01871	Piers & Docks
2022-01868	Beach Creation & Nourishment	2022-01872	Transportation
2022-01869	Beach Raking	2022-01873	Utility
2022-01870	Minor Discharges	2022-01874	Wildlife Ponds

This notice announces the effective date, February 20, 2023, for the eight regional general permits (RGPs) listed above, now available for use in Minnesota, Wisconsin, and within the exterior boundaries of American Indian reservations, subject to the Lake Superior basin exclusions described within each RGP. Regulated activities are described in each RGP pursuant to Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (Section 404) and Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act (Section 10) as applicable.

The full content of each RGP may be reviewed using the web page link indicated below. Each RGP is largely the same as the RGPs issued on January 20, 2023, with the exception of minor grammatical corrections.

WATER QUALITY CERTIFICATION

All RGP activities authorized pursuant to Section 404 of the Clean Water Act require 401 Water Quality Certification (WQC) or waiver from the applicable state agency, tribe, or the United States Environmental Protection Agency. Water quality certifications that were granted have been incorporated into the RGPs conditions. If a certifying authority denied water quality certification for an RGP, project-specific authorizations by the Corps are not valid unless and until a project-specific WQC is issued by the appropriate certifying authority. Please refer to the RGP link below for specific information.

COASTAL ZONE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM CONSISTENCY CERTIFICATION

Coastal Zone Management Act (CZMA) consistency concurrence from the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources and the Wisconsin Department of Administration is presumed in the coastal zones of Lake Superior in Minnesota and Wisconsin, and Lake Michigan in Wisconsin.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

All eight RGPs, including WQC information, may be found on the St. Paul District's web page located at: http://www.mvp.usace.army.mil/Missions/Regulatory/Permitting-Process-Procedures/. Questions concerning the eight RGPs and conditions within the St. Paul District can be directed to A.J. Kitchen in our Brookfield, Wisconsin office at (651) 290-5729. Alternatively, Mr. Kitchen may be contacted via email at anthony.j.kitchen@usace.army.mil.

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