PUBLIC NOTICE (05-22)

BRIDGE PERMIT APPLICATION
TO REPLACE THE FIXED HIGHWAY ROY CUMBEST BRIDGE ON WADE VANCLEAVE ROAD OVER PASCAGOULA RIVER, MILE 35.0, JACKSON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI WITH A NEW FIXED BRIDGE

All interested parties are notified that the Commander, Eighth Coast Guard District, has received application materials from the Jackson County Board of Supervisors for approval of the enclosed location and plans to replace the fixed highway Roy Cumbest Bridge over the Pascagoula River, Mile 35.0, Jackson County, Mississippi on Wade Vancleave Road with a new fixed highway bridge.

WATERWAY AND LOCATION: Pascagoula River, Mile 35.0, Jackson County, Mississippi on Wade Vancleave Road.

CHARACTER OF WORK: The Jackson County Board of Supervisors is proposing to replace the fixed highway Roy Cumbest Bridge which spans the Pascagoula River on Wade Vancleave Road with a new fixed highway bridge. This is a federally funded project through the Mississippi Department of Transportation and is administered by the Jackson County Board of Supervisors. Additional improvements include realigning Wade Vancleave Road and improvements to adjacent local roads in the project area.

MINIMUM NAVIGATIONAL CLEARANCES:

The proposed replacement bridge will have clearances as described in the table below. These clearances are an increase from current clearances over this section of the waterway at or near this mile.

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<td>Vertical</td>
<td>35 feet above Mean High Water</td>
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Datum: NAVD88

ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS: The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) is the lead federal agency for satisfying the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). The FHWA is acting on behalf of the U.S. Coast Guard for all environmental control laws. A Categorical Exclusion (CE) dated March 21, 2022 was issued pursuant to NEPA as amended. The U.S. Coast Guard has tentatively determined that the proposed action will not
have a significant impact for the purposes of NEPA and plans to issue a CE for the project. Documents are available for review electronically by contacting buddy.covington@neel-
schaffer.com, or may be viewed at the above address, Monday through Friday by appointment from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., subject to building rules.

A water quality certification in accordance with Section 401 of the Clean Water Act, as amended, for this project was applied for by the Jackson County Board of Supervisors.

The bridge is located in the floodplain. The 100-year flood elevation is 19.94 feet, while elevation of the low member of the navigation span is 35.24. Elevations are referenced to NAVD88 datum. No wetlands will be taken or affected by this project.

SOLICITATION OF COMMENTS:

Interested parties are requested to comment or express their views in writing on the proposed navigation clearances, placement of a bridge protection system and other navigational safety issues, including the need for clearance gauges.

Interested parties are also requested to express their views on the proposed bridge project’s possible environmental impacts, including impacts on minority and/or low income populations. We will forward these comments to FHWA.

Comments will be received at the Eighth Coast Guard District, Bridge Administration Branch, at the address given in the letterhead through September 23, 2022. Plans of the proposed project are included in this public notice.

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DOUG BLAKEMORE
Chief, Bridge Administration Branch
Eighth Coast Guard District
By direction of the District Commander

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**NOTE:** Existing bridge to be removed upon completion of new bridge.

Total bridge length = 1352.25'

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*NOTE:* The O.H.W. Elevation is referenced from the 1959 Department of the Army bridge permit and the 1959 existing bridge plans and is adjusted to the proposed project datum (NAVD 1988) and is used to provide historical continuity for vertical clearance measurement.