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Subject: RE: Levee Vegetation Policy Change - Public Comment
Attachments: 2010-5126.pdf

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Mr. Vanderkolk -- I am forwarding your comment on to Mr. Douglas Wade in our Corps Headquarter's Office. I have also attached the federal notice on comment period that ends on April 25.

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-----Original Message-----

From: Ged Vanderkolk [mailto:ged@bihiinvestments.com]
Sent: Friday, April 23, 2010 4:09 PM
To: DLL-NWS-PAO Team
Subject: Levee Vegetation Policy Change - Public Comment

Please keep the link below in your message:

RE: Site=PublicAffairs Page=wearepao

Please Enter your Questions or Comments:

I heard on the radio today that the Army Corp was considering a plan to change their levee vegetation policy for western Washington:

<http://kuow.org/program.php?id=20070>

The article said that the Army corp. was collecting public comment, but I can't seem to find anyplace on the Army Corp's website to comment on this issue. Can you help me by either sending me a link to the proper comment path, or forwarding my comments on?

I've lived along a river bank dike for most of my life and don't feel that larger vegetation provides any more danger than a barren river bank. It might be harder to periodically inspect, but I don't think that laziness is any reason to remove the trees on the river. The benefits that the mature vegetation provides far outweigh any increased time or difficulty that it adds to the inspection process.

Sincerely,

Ged Vanderkolk