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Good afternoon!

On September 2, 2020, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) extended the opportunity for consultation and coordination with the Seminole Tribe of Indians of Florida pursuant to Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (NHPA) on the EPA's upcoming action to approve or disapprove Florida's request to assume administration of a Clean Water Act (CWA) Section 404 program for certain State waters. The EPA will be holding an informational webinar to provide additional information on Florida's proposal to assume the CWA 404 program to help you decide whether to participate in consultation pursuant to Section 106 of the NHPA.

Due to COVID 19, the EPA would like to invite you to attend the virtual webinar on September 22nd from 2:00 pm EST to 3:30 pm EST. In addition to this email, the EPA plans to send you a Microsoft Outlook invite with a Microsoft Teams link for the webinar. The EPA is also sending this invitation to the Tribal Historic Preservation Officers with the Miccosukee Tribe of Indians of Florida, the Poarch Band of Creek Indians, the Muscogee (Creek) Nation, the Alabama-Coushatta Tribe of Texas, the Coushatta Tribe of Louisiana, the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians, and the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma. If you are interested but not available to participate because of the impacts from Hurricane Sally, please let us know and we will work with you to try to schedule an additional webinar when you are available.

If you would like to consult with the EPA on this action under the NHPA, please let us know no later than October 2, 2020. Consultation meetings will be held by phone or video conference. The EPA contact person for the NHPA consultation and coordination process is Mr. Kelly Laycock. In addition, Ms. Eve Zimmerman, the Water Division Tribal Consultation Advisor, is available to provide support. Please contact Mr. Laycock to schedule an NHPA consultation conference call or video conference as soon as possible to allow sufficient time for us to consider your input before our final decision.

If you have any questions regarding the September 22nd webinar or NHPA consultation, please do not hesitate to contact Mr. Laycock at (404) 562-9132 or laycock.kelly@epa.gov, or Ms. Zimmerman at (404) 562-9259 or Zimmerman.Eve@epa.gov.

Thank you for your consideration.

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