To: Mayor Alberto Santos[mayor@kearnynj.org]
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From: Yeh, Alice
Sent: Wed 7/9/2014 2:18:28 PM
Subject: RE: Workshop on Passaic River Navigation

Thank you so much for naming someone to the panel. The NJIT organizer (Jay Meegoda) is likely to contact the panel members directly with a few additional information requests (such as a ½ page biography and whether panel members need a slide projector to aid in making their statements [this is optional]). I have passed Capt Mastandrea's e-mail along to NJIT.

My phone number is 212-637-4427 should anyone have any questions.

From: Mayor Alberto Santos [mailto:mayor@kearnynj.org]
Sent: Wednesday, July 09, 2014 10:12 AM
To: Yeh, Alice
Cc: Dyl, Steve KFD Chief; Martello, Michael
Subject: RE: Workshop on Passaic River Navigation

Good morning Alice,

Kearny Fire Captain Joseph Mastandrea will participate on behalf of the Town of Kearny. Please let me know if you need additional information.

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Cc: McKenna, Bridget
Subject: RE: Workshop on Passaic River Navigation

Thank you to those of you who have agreed to be on the panel. There is still time to let me know if you want to be on the panel and express your views about the depths of the navigation channel.

Attached is a flyer about the forum. You will note that after introductions, each panel member will have an opportunity to talk about how you are using the Passaic River's navigation channel and how you expect to use it in the future. As you did for the Corps' August 2009 meeting, we hope that you will be able to provide specific information supporting the navigation depths you might need, such as expected investments in barges that draft a certain number of feet or other information. The Corps' July 2010 Commercial Navigation Analysis includes an appendix with all of your responses from the 2009 survey, should you need to refer to them.

From: Yeh, Alice
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Cc: 'McKenna, Bridget'
Subject: Workshop on Passaic River Navigation

You are invited to be a panel member at a forum on commercial navigation in the Passaic River on July 22, 2014 at 1-4pm at the New Jersey Institute of Technology (the Atrium, University Heights, Newark, NJ).

As part of an August 27, 2009 meeting sponsored by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Lisa Baron, host), you provided input and information that was included in a Corps of Engineers Commercial Navigation Analysis dated July 2010, which was considered by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) in its conceptual design of one of the cleanup options for the Passaic River.

This forum, organized by NJIT, provides an opportunity to update the information gathered by the Corps of Engineers in 2009.

In April 2014, EPA issued a Proposed Plan for cleaning up the lower 8 miles of the Lower Passaic River. The Proposed Plan evaluates four options for the cleanup and describes EPA's preferred option, which is to cap the lower 8 miles with sand, with some dredging so that the cap does not cause additional flooding and to allow for the continued use of the federal navigation channel in the 2.2 miles closest to Newark Bay. EPA is seeking public comment on the Proposed Plan until August 20, 2014. EPA is particularly interested in receiving comments on the navigational depths proposed for the 2.2 miles closest to Newark Bay (30 feet in the first 1.2 miles, 25 feet in the next 0.5 miles and 20 feet in the next next 0.5 miles) and whether shallower depths might still accommodate reasonably-anticipated future uses, because shallower depths mean less dredging and a less costly cleanup plan.

Please consider serving as a panel member, so that you can provide up-to-date information about how you are currently using the Passaic River's navigation channel and how you expect to use it in the future.

Please let me know if you will be attending the meeting. Please feel free to call me with any questions at 212-637-4427.

Alice Yeh

Project Manager

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region 2