



# SPECIAL PUBLIC NOTICE

**U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS  
LOS ANGELES DISTRICT**

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Regional General Permit No. 46  
Orange County Public Works Ocean Outlets Maintenance Program

**Corps File No.:** SPL-2010-00868-SME

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The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps), Los Angeles District has issued Regional General Permit No. 46 (RGP 46), which authorizes Orange County Public Works (OCPW) to conduct semi-annual maintenance activities at the ocean outlets of Talbert Channel, Santa Ana River, Salt Creek, North Doheny Creek, Estrella Storm Channel, and Segunda Deshecha Cañada. In addition, OCPW may conduct up to two additional outlet maintenance activities annually at Talbert Channel. All outlets would be subject to inspections by OCPW to determine the need for maintenance activities.

Semi-annual maintenance activities would typically occur once in early spring and once in late summer. In general, maintenance activities would consist of removing sand deposits at the end of the outlets, distributing the sand onto the beach above the high tide line, and re-establishing rock revetments. These ocean outlets require routine maintenance to maintain their structural integrity, re-establish proper conveyance of flow, maintain and restore public access to beaches, and allow for flood risk management, with minimization of impacts to coastal resources and recreation. This permit has been issued under section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899 (33 U.S.C. 403) and section 404 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1344) and only applies to OCPW for maintenance of the six ocean outlets in a manner that is consistent with the terms and conditions of RGP 46. It is anticipated that special circumstances may arise requiring maintenance activities not described in RGP 46. If the need for non-covered activities occurs, separate permit applications would be required.

The Corps issued RGP 46 with an expiration date of April 18, 2018. RGP 46 is available for viewing at: <http://www.spl.usace.army.mil/Missions/Regulatory/RegionalGeneralPermits.aspx>.

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- To provide strong protection of the nation's aquatic environment, including wetlands.
- To ensure the Corps provides the regulated public with fair and reasonable decisions.
- To enhance the efficiency of the Corps' administration of its regulatory program.

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