

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

PHILADELPHIA DISTRICT CORPS OF ENGINEERS WANAMAKER BUILDING, 100 PENN SQUARE EAST PHILADELPHIA. PENNSYLVANIA 19107-3390

January 28, 2020

Regulatory Branch Application Section II

SUBJECT: CENAP-OP-R-2009-0933-1 Southport Marine Terminal Latitude and Longitude: 39.891205° N; 75.142136° W

Ms. Lisa Magee, P.E. Director of Engineering PhilaPort 3460 North Delaware Avenue, 2nd Floor Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19134

Dear Ms. Magee:

Reference is made to Department of the Army permit CENAP-OP-R-2009-0933-1, dated April 16, 2013, authorizing the Philadelphia Regional Port Authority (PhilaPort) to conduct construction, dredging and filling activities in the Delaware River for the proposed Southport Marine Terminal. The proposed project is located in the City and County of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania at the east end of the Philadelphia Naval Business Center, which was formerly known as the Philadelphia Naval Shipyard.

In a letter dated November 28, 2018 you requested an extension of the above referenced permit. In order to facilitate this request, we coordinated your request with the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) in accordance with the Endangered Species Act regarding Atlantic Sturgeon critical habitat since this designation occurred after the original permit evaluation and decision. In a letter dated January 22, 2020, the NMFS concurred with our determination that the project is not likely to adversely affect the Atlantic Sturgeons' critical habitat. As a part of our original permit evaluation and decision, the NMFS had determined that impacts from the project would have an insignificant or discountable effect on the two endangered sturgeon species, the short-nosed and Atlantic Sturgeon as well as any sea turtles that could be in the vicinity of the site.

Based upon our coordination with the NMFS and review of all available information, the expiration date of the above referenced Department of the Army permit is extended to December 31, 2025. We believe this 5-year extension is appropriate to enable PhilaPort to complete the necessary dredging and construction associated with the marine terminal development.

All other conditions to which the permit was made subject remain in full force and effect.

BY AUTHORITY OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

Edward E. Bonner Chief, Regulatory Branch

for:

David C. Park Lieutenant Colonel, Corps of Engineers District Commander