

APPENDIX C

Coastal Consistency

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Mr. William R. Sloger, Jr. - Code ES21
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RE: Department of the Navy - Draft Environmental Impact Statement for Proposed Homeporting of Additional Surface Ships at Naval Station Mayport - Jacksonville, Duval County, Florida.
SAI # FL200804014145C (Reference SAI # FL200611162921C)

Dear Mr. Sloger:

The Florida State Clearinghouse, pursuant to Presidential Executive Order 12372, Gubernatorial Executive Order 95-359, the Coastal Zone Management Act, 16 U.S.C. §§ 1451-1464, as amended, and the National Environmental Policy Act, 42 U.S.C. §§ 4321, 4331-4335, 4341-4347, as amended, has coordinated a review of the referenced Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS).

Based on the information contained in the Draft EIS and the enclosed state agency comments, the state has determined that, at this stage, the proposed federal action is consistent with the Florida Coastal Management Program (FCMP). The state's continued concurrence with the project will be based, in part, on the adequate resolution of issues identified during subsequent regulatory reviews. The state's final concurrence of the project's consistency with the FCMP will be determined during the environmental permitting stage.

Thank you for the opportunity to review the proposal. Should you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Ms. Lauren P. Milligan at (850) 245-2170.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Sally B. Mann".

Sally B. Mann, Director
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Project Information	
Project:	FL200804014145C
Comments Due:	05/02/2008
Letter Due:	05/12/2008
Description:	DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY - DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT FOR PROPOSED HOMEPORTING OF ADDITIONAL SURFACE SHIPS AT NAVAL STATION MAYPORT - JACKSONVILLE, DUVAL COUNTY, FLORIDA. (SEE NAVY WEBSITE: WWW.MAYPORTHOMEPORTINGEIS.COM)
Keywords:	NAVY - DEIS HOMEPORTING OF ADDITIONAL SHIPS, NAVAL STATION MAYPORT - DUVAL CO.
CFDA #:	99.300
Agency Comments:	
NE FLORIDA RPC - NORTHEAST FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL	
No Comments	
DUVAL - DUVAL COUNTY	
No Comments	
FISH and WILDLIFE COMMISSION - FLORIDA FISH AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION COMMISSION	
No Comments Received	
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION - FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION	
As noted in the Draft EIS, state environmental resource permits (ERP) will be required for the proposed navigational access dredging, wharf improvements and upland support facility improvements from the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (DEP). Staff recommends continued coordination with the DEP Bureau of Beaches and Coastal Systems to ascertain the quality of dredged material from the channel and basin for possible beneficial use at nearby beach restoration projects. Consultation with the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission regarding the minimization of impacts to listed aquatic species during dredging activities is also highly recommended.	
ST. JOHNS RIVER WMD - ST. JOHNS RIVER WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT	
The District has reviewed the information in the DEIS for the Proposed Homeporting of Additional Surface Ships at NAVSTA Mayport, Florida. The District requests that further information regarding the secondary effects of dredging on salinity encroachment in the St. Johns River be considered in the environmental impact statement: 1. Discuss how each alternative's dredging activity will (a) affect the frequency of salinity events that are high enough to damage submerged aquatic vegetation (freshwater grasses) and other aquatic resources; (b) affect proposed upstream surface water consumptive uses; (c) affect hurricane storm-surge, and (d) increase the effects of sea level rise. 2. Provide information regarding (a) the reconstruction of the historic salinity encroachment over the past 150 years, if any; and, (b) how any channel modification will affect salinity encroachment in the future. In the progression of events and activities, clarify whether an alternative's associated dredging activity ranks as a large or small change. 3. Discuss any alternative's affects involving significant alterations to Bartram Island on flushing, circulation, and sedimentation in Mill Cove. Please contact Mr. Kraig McLane, Program Manager for the Lower St. Johns River Basin, at (386) 329-4374 or kmclane@sjrwmd.com for further information or assistance.	

For more information or to submit comments, please contact the Clearinghouse Office at:

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