

**Notice of Availability
and
Public Meeting**

Draft Detailed Project Report and Environmental Assessment
Section 205 Small Flood Risk Management Project
Hatch, New Mexico

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps), Albuquerque District, has completed the draft **Detailed Project Report with an Integrated Environmental Assessment (DPREA) for the Small Flood Risk Management Project in Hatch, New Mexico**. The purpose of this project is to reduce flood damages and life safety risk within the project area in the Village of Hatch. The proposed action is to construct an earthen embankment dam that would be located upstream of the Village of Hatch, adjacent to the Spring Canyon Arroyo. Borrow material for the dam would be obtained from the area directly behind the proposed dam. The outlet works would drain water from the retention basin in the Colorado Drain. The inlet channel, which would bring water from the Spring Canyon channel to the dam, would be excavated and lined with roller compacted cement, soil cement and riprap. The proposed project is designed to detain the 0.2 percent chance exceedance event from the Spring Canyon Watershed and release the stored water in a controlled manner over approximately 96 hours or less. The proposed construction period would be approximately ten to fourteen months and would be expected to start in late 2018.

The draft DPREA is electronically available for viewing and copying at the Albuquerque District website (under “FONSI/Environmental Assessment”) at:

<http://www.spa.usace.army.mil/Missions/Environmental/EnvironmentalComplianceDocuments/EnvironmentalAssessmentsFONSI.aspx>

The draft DPREA is available for public review and comment from March 6, 2017 to April 4, 2017. Written comments may be sent to:

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Additionally, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers will be hosting a public information meeting at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, March 15, 2017 to provide any interested party an opportunity to discuss the proposed project. The meeting will be held at the Hatch Community Center, located at 400 Highway 187, Hatch, NM 87937.