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# Maintenance (CORPS OF ENGINEERS NWP # 3)

(Effective February 25, 2022; Revised May 28, 2025)

All requests made by the Contractor shall refer to Permit No. **DOT-D3-\_\_\_\_\_\_**for the proposed bridge maintenance of **SN \_\_\_\_\_\_\_**. (This project is considered **Non-Reporting**)

Contract No. **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

* This NWP authorizes the removal of accumulated sediments and debris in the vicinity of and within existing structures (e.g., bridges, culverted road crossings, water intake structures, etc.) and the placement of new or additional riprap to protect the structure. The removal of sediment is limited to the minimum necessary to restore the waterway in the immediate vicinity of the structure to the approximate dimensions that existed when the structure was built but cannot extend further than 200 feet in any direction from the structure. This 200 feet limit does not apply to maintenance dredging to remove accumulated sediments blocking or restricting outfall and intake structures or to maintenance dredging to remove accumulated sediments from canals associated with outfall and intake structures. All dredged or excavated materials must be deposited and retained in an area that has no waters of the United States unless otherwise specifically approved by the district engineer under separate authorization. The placement of riprap must be the minimum necessary to protect the structure or to ensure the safety of the structure. Any bank stabilization measures not directly associated with the structure will require a separate authorization from the district engineer.
* This NWP authorizes temporary structures, fills and work necessary to conduct the maintenance activity. Appropriate measures must be taken to maintain normal downstream flows and minimize flooding to the maximum extent practicable, when temporary structures, work, and discharges, including cofferdams, are necessary for construction activities, access fills or dewatering of construction sites. Temporary fills must consist of clean coarse aggregate materials, and be placed in a manner, that will not be eroded by expected high flows. Temporary fills must be removed in their entirety and the affected areas returned to pre-construction elevations. The areas affected by temporary fills must be revegetated, as appropriate.
* This NWP does not authorize maintenance dredging for the primary purpose of navigation or beach restoration. This NWP does not authorize new stream channelization or stream relocation.
* The contractor that uses temporary work pads, cofferdams, access roads and other temporary fills in order to perform work in creeks, streams, or rivers shall maintain flow in these waters by utilizing dam and pumping, fluming, culverts or other such techniques.
* The project must be constructed without violating the applicable provisions of the Illinois Environmental Protection Act.
* Water pollution should not be from the construction activities needed to complete this project.
* No violations of the applicable water quality standards of the Illinois Pollution Control Board, Tittle 35, Subtitle C: Water Pollution Rules and Regulation or interference with water use practices near public recreation areas or water supply intake will be allowed as part of this project.
* Interference with water use practices near public recreation areas or water supply intake should not be caused by the construction activities.
* Any spoil material excavated, dredged or otherwise produced by the construction activities should not be returned to the waterway. The materials should be deposited in a self-contained area in compliance with all state statues, as determined by the Illinois EPA.
* Backfilling, if any, must be done with clean material and placed in a manner to prevent violation of applicable water quality standards.
* Adequate planning and supervision must be provided on behalf of the Department of Transportation, District 3 during the construction period to ensure construction methods, processes and cleanup procedures necessary to prevent water pollution and erosion are enforced.
* Haul Roads and Other Temporary Stream Crossings or In-Stream Causeways/Work Pads will not be measured or paid for separately but shall be considered as included in the unit cost of the various pay items in the contract.

Should the Contractor desire to deviate from the guidelines currently imposed under the permit as listed above, then full design details including location, material specifications, and hydraulic analysis should be included in a request to the Illinois Department of Transportation, Attn: **Bridge and Hydraulics Unit**, 700 East Norris Dr., Ottawa, IL 61350.

Any additional request is at the discretion of the Contractor; therefore, any delays in receiving approval for various methods outside of the given parameters will **not** be cause for additional compensation.

The requirements/ conditions of the Nationwide Permit #3 must still be adhered to and can be found at the following link: [2021 Nationwide Permit 3 - Final Decision Document (oclc.org)](https://usace.contentdm.oclc.org/utils/getfile/collection/p16021coll7/id/19768)

Permit Expiration: **March 14, 2026**

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