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US ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS
NORFOLK DISTRICT
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Executive Office

MAY 11 2017

Mr. Glen Oder
Attn: Fort Monroe Authority
22 Ingalls Road
Fort Monroe, VA 23651-1061

Dear Mr. Oder:

In accordance with Engineering Circular 1165-2-216, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), Norfolk District, performed an evaluation of your request (NAO-2016-2256) to renovate your pier at the south-east corner of the Fort Monroe National Monument. The construction work includes: widening the pier from 6 feet to 12 feet; adding a 12 foot deep by 40 foot wide "T" deck at the pier's end; and installing all new decking. The renovated pier will be open to tourists and for fishing. The channelward end of the renovated pier is approximately 904 feet north of the toe of the Connecting Channel between the Norfolk Harbor Channel and the Thimble Shoal Channel Federal Navigation Projects.

Based on this evaluation, I have determined that the requested construction activity effectively alters a portion of the Connecting Channel Federal Navigation Project that is operated and maintained by USACE. Therefore, pursuant to Section 14 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899, 33 USC 408 (Section 408), you must obtain my permission to alter the Federal project.

While I have determined that your proposed construction activity may alter the Federal project, the proposed work does not impair the usefulness of the project nor harm the public interest. Therefore, I hereby grant your request to alter the Connecting Waters Federal Navigational Project provided that prior to the start of construction, the Fort Monroe Authority shall obtain all applicable federal, state, and local permits required to perform the requested construction activity.

For any questions regarding this evaluation, please contact Mr. Gregory C. Steele, Chief, Water Resources Division and Section 408 Coordinator at (757) 201-7764.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J E Kelly". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of the first and last names being capitalized and prominent.

Jason E. Kelly, PMP
Colonel, U.S. Army
Commanding