

## DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

FORT WORTH DISTRICT. CORPS OF ENGINEERS
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Planning, Environmental, and Regulatory Division Regulatory Branch

SUBJECT: Project Number SWF-2010-00506, Central Texas Airport

Cedar Creek, TX 78612

Dear

This is in reference to your comment letter received in our office during the public comment period associated with Department of the Army permit application SWF-2010-00506. This action involves the discharge of dredged and fill material into waters of the United States associated with construction of the Central Texas Airport located in Bastrop County, Texas. In your letter, you requested a public hearing be held on this action.

The purpose of a public hearing is to acquire information or evidence that would be considered in evaluating a proposed permit action and afford the public an opportunity to present their views and opinions on such actions. A public hearing is held whenever one is needed for making a decision on a Department of the Army permit application.

Through the public notice process, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) has provided the general public an opportunity to comment on this project. In accordance with 33 CFR Part 327, the USACE has evaluated your request for a public hearing and has determined the issues raised are not sufficiently substantial to warrant a public hearing and there is otherwise no valid interest to be served by a public hearing. Therefore, a public hearing for this project will not be held. We will appropriately address relevant comments received on this permit application during our evaluation process and will ultimately render a permit decision.

Thank you for your interest in our nation's water resources and your comments on this permit application.

Sincerely.

Stephen L Brooks

Chief, Regulatory Branch

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