

Pebble EIS Draft Consultation and Coordination Chapter
EPA Comments
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The EPA appreciates the opportunity, as a cooperating agency, to provide you with these comments on the preliminary draft Consultation and Coordination Chapter 6 (10/2/18 review draft) of the Pebble EIS. Our comments are provided in table format below. Our public comments on the Draft EIS may include additional concerns or recommendations. These interagency comments or portions thereof may be protected by the deliberative process privilege.

Page	Section	Existing text (if applicable)	Recommendation
1	6.1	These cooperating agencies are involved in informing the EIS process based on their expertise, to ensure that this EIS provides a full and fair disclosure of the probable impacts of the proposed project and provides a sound basis for agency permit decisions.	<p>We recommend that the sentence regarding cooperating agency expertise and involvement be revised to more accurately reflect that agencies provided early input only in specific areas requested by the Corps. We recommend the following revision:</p> <p>These cooperating agencies are involved in informing the EIS process <u>and providing early input into certain sections of the EIS based on specific areas of their expertise identified by the Corps, to ensure</u> strive for an that this EIS that provides a full and fair disclosure of the probable impacts of the proposed project and provides a sound basis for agency permit decisions.</p>
1	6.1	Bullets listing the cooperating agencies	We recommend that the bullets be expanded or converted to a table that lists the areas of special expertise for each cooperating agency as requested by the Corps. This will enable a more accurate disclosure of the extent of cooperating agency involvement.