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Agenda

- USACE Overview
- Technical Services
- Civil Works
- Summary



Take Away

USACE is unique from other federal agencies in its ability to partner through planning, design, construction and technical services





USACE Overview

Development & Management of

Key Mission Areas



Engineering & Technical Services

Protection, Restoration & Management of Environmental Resources



Disaster Response & Recovery





Key Program Areas



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Technical Services USACE provides <u>Technical Services</u> to counties, states and DoD across the <u>Chesapeake Bay Watershed</u>



- Flood Risk Management Surveys for Prince George's County, MD
- Hydraulic Modeling for St. Mary's County, MD
- Stormwater Management Planning in Charles County, MD
- Best Management Practices Database for Virginia Department of Transportation and Stafford County,VA
- Flood Risk Maps for Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)
- LID training to Army engineers and designers
- Total maximum daily load water quality modeling, GIS and best management practice plans for Army installations

Civil Works Chesapeake Bay Goals

USACE Actions

USACE Actions

✓ Oyster Restoration

MD: 503 acres of substrate & started 30 acres in Harris Creek; VA: 389 acres of substrate

Accomplishments To Date

✓ Lower Susquehanna River
 Watershed Assessment (LSRWA)

Completed data collection and modeling

✓ Anacostia River

Completed Anacostia Restoration Plan in 2011

 Chesapeake Bay Restoration/ Protection Authority

trash racks, etc)

✓ Poplar Island

✓ Craney Island

✓ Streamgaging

✓ Mid Bay Island

Created 176 wetland acres

Completed USACE Chief's report

Began design expansion in 2010; Mitigation: Created 11.3 wetland acres in 2011

Completed Environmental Infrastructure projects (WWTP,

Partner with USGS on Gages to monitor flooding throughout Susquehanna River



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Chesapeake Bay Goals Planned for FY14

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Complete 2014 Watershed Assessment

Complete environmental restoration feasibility studies in Montgomery and Prince George's Counties

Award contracts for North Beach and Sligo Creek

Continue Design Expansion

Align future island restoration with EO 13508 goals/ funding

Mitigation includes 16 acres of oyster reef construction currently underway

Utilize O&M funding for continued monitoring



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Current Limit \$50M – Funding \$5M/yr = cannot budget beyond 2015

Future Challenges

Not a Design/Construction Authority

Not a USACE Mission area: Environmental Infrastructure and Stormwater Mgmt

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Current Island Limit \$606,360M; Expansion Limit \$432,800M - Reach authorization limit ~2021

Thus far, driven by Dredge Material Management Need

Current Project Limit \$42M

Low Budget Priority; Piecemeal efforts



Summary

USACE is unique from other federal agencies:

- Planning, Design and Construction
- Technical Services
- Cost-Share and Reimbursable Programs
- Partners include Federal, States, Counties and DoD



Questions?



Back Up



Technical Services

- Low Impact Development (LID) implementation
- Watershed Implementations Plans
- Stormwater Surveys and Mapping
- Dyke marsh
- BMP Inventory database
- Flood Risk Management
- Wetlands Mitigation and Delineation
- Stream Restoration
- Environmental Assessments
- GIS Support to Installations
- Water Resources Modeling
- Natural/Cultural Resources
 Management Plans



Civil Works

2 Types of General Investigation (GI) Studies

Specifically authorized studies

- Construction authority Water Resources Development Acts
- Resolution from Congress
- Cost Share (typical)
 - Study = 50% Federal/50% non-Federal
 - Design = 75% Federal/25% non-Federal
 - Construction = 65% Federal/35% non-Federal
- Watershed and River Basin Assessments (Section 729 studies)
 - Conceptual designs of recommendations
 - Recommendations for USACE and others



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Civil Works

Continuing Authorities Program (CAP)

- Nine Different Authorities Congressionally authorized through construction
 - Resolution of Congress not required
 - Group of nine legislative authorities approved to plan, design, and implement water resource projects
 - Congressional "Namings" prioritize funding/appropriations



Technical Services

LID Examples





Army Policy for Sustainable Design and Development and Energy Independence Security Act Section 438:

- Low Impact Development Technical User Guide
- Design and Specs Manual
- Nationwide Training Curriculum to ensure the implementation and compliance



Technical Services

TMDL Support to Army



- Conducted stormwater infrastructure- best management practices (BMPs) field assessments
- Calculated baseline loadings using advanced modeling techniques
- Conducted BMP condition assessments
- Developed a BMP database
- Preparing BMP opportunity assessment plans



Lower Susquehanna River Watershed Assessment

- Authority: River Basin Assessment (Sec 729 of Water Resources Development Act of 1986) Non Federal Partner: Maryland
 - Department of the Environment
- Cost: \$1.4 million
- Cost share: 75 Federal/25 Non-Federal Cost Share
- Looks at impacts to habitat across three dams –throughout the watershed
- Study Duration: 3 Years (assuming funding availability)
- Not in FY13 or FY14 Pres Budget





Anacostia Restoration Plan

Authorization: House Committee on Public Works and Transportation resolution, dated September 8

Non Federal Partners: Montgomery County Department of Environmental Protection and Prince Georges County; Prince George's County Department of Environmental Restoration

 Two separate projects- developing feasibility study including data collection, problem identification, hydrologic and hydraulic modeling, and development of existing conditions narrative





Oyster Restoration



Authority: Section 704(b) of the WRDA 1986, as amended Non Federal Partner: Partners with Maryland DNR since 1997 to construct oyster bars in the Chesapeake Bay Authority capped at \$40M – received \$5M/year Placed substrate (both shell and alternative substrate) in the Severn, Magothy, Patuxent, Chester, and Choptank Rivers, as well as Eastern Bay and Kedges Strait, currently doing construction in Harris Creek >USACE mission focused on ecosystem restoration to maximize aquatic habitat benefits.



Construction Summary Maryland 1997-2013

 503 acres of substrate placed ; includes 30 acres to be constructed this spring

Locations:

- Magothy, Severn, and Patuxent, Chester and Choptank Rivers (includes Harris Creek), Eastern Bay, and Kedges Strait
- Material Used:
- Dredged fossil shell (1997-2006)
- Alternate substrate (2009-2013)
- Periodic project monitoring

Construction Summary Virginia 2001-2013

389 acres of substrate placed

Locations:

- Rappahannock (Section 510 authority)
- Tangier/ Pocomoke Sounds
- Great Wicomico and Lynnhaven Rivers
- Material Used:
 - Dredged fossil shell
- Periodic project monitoring

Poplar Island

- Authority: Section 537 of (WRDA) 1996, P.L. 104-303, as amended by Section 318 of WRDA 2000, Section 3087 of WRDA 2007, P.L. 110-114
- **Non Federal Partner:** Maryland Department of Transportation (Maryland Port Administration)
- Design/construction for wetlands, streams, oysters, SAV, environmental infrastructure, shoreline protection, beneficial use of dredged material, etc.
- Total inflow of dredged material through FY12 is 21.4 million cubic yards (MCY). To date, 176 acres of tidal marsh have been created
- Establish Black Duck population
- Valuable nesting and nursery area for many species of wildlife, including eagles, osprey, heron, egrets and terrapins



Craney Island Eastward Expansion

- Authority: River and Harbors Act of 1946
- Non Federal Partner: Virginia Port Authority
- 522 Acre Footprint Expansion
- Provide Suitable Platform to Construct a Container Handling Terminal
- Oyster, wetland and habitat restoration benefits from mitigation



Section 510

Chesapeake Bay specific authority that is <u>underutilized (NOT FUNDED)</u>

- Development Act (WRDA) 1996, as amended by Section 5020 of WRDA 2007
- Environmental (Ecosystem Restoration and Protection) for Chesapeake Bay
- Directly contributes to Executive Order 13508 goals to restore clean water, recover habitat, and sustain fish and wildlife
- Design/Construction Program
- 75-25 cost share

