BRINGING THE CORPS LOCAL



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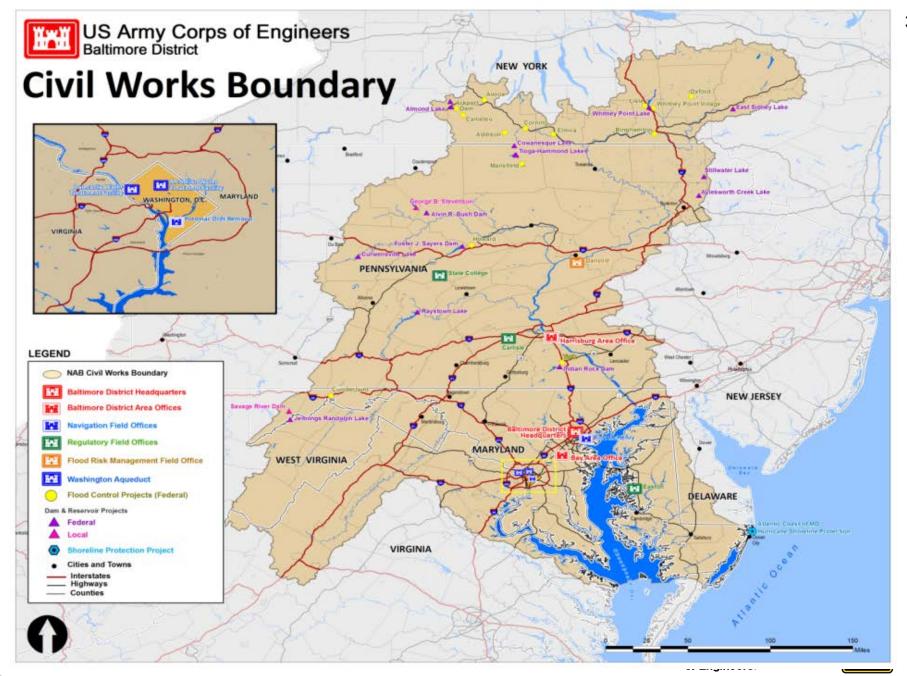


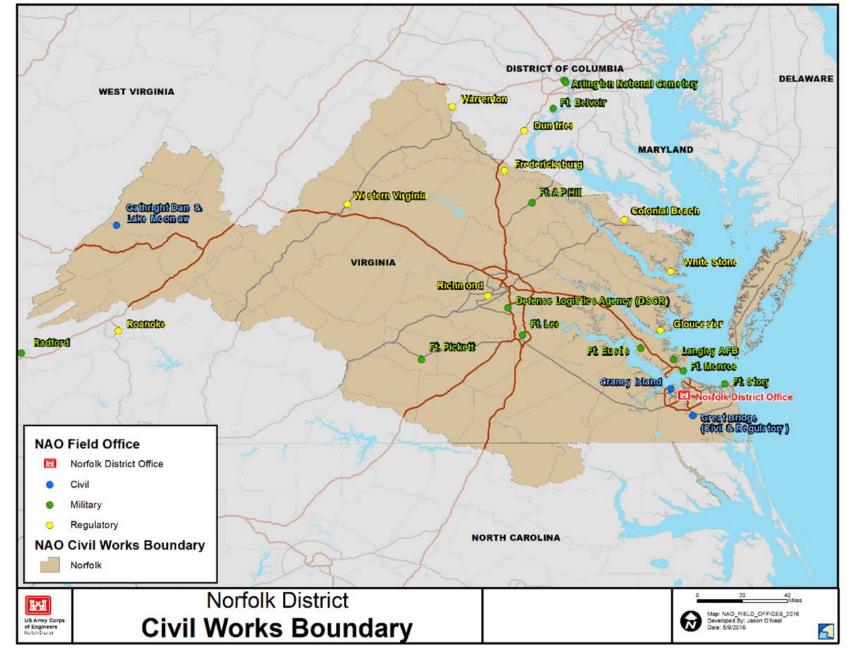


TOPICS OF DISCUSSION

- USACE Civil Works Boundary
- USACE Involvement in Chesapeake Bay Program
- USACE Programs
 - Technical Service Programs
 - Beneficial Use of Dredged Material
 - Oyster Restoration
 - Aquaculture







USACE INVOLVEMENT IN CHESAPEAKE BAY PROGRAM

2014 Chesapeake Bay Agreement Restoration Goal Areas

- Sustainable Fisheries* USACE oyster restoration
- Vital Habitats* USACE wetland and stream restoration
- Water Quality & Toxic Contaminants USACE compliance with federal targets
- Healthy Watersheds* USACE Chesapeake Bay Comprehensive Plan
- Stewardship USACE dams
- Local Government USACE Technical Service Programs
- Public Access USACE recreational Areas
- Environmental Literacy USACE STEM Involvement
- Climate Resiliency* USACE Poplar Island
- * Aligns with USACE mission areas
- RED = USACE Co-Lead





TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

PROGRAMS

- Floodplain Management Services
- Planning Assistance to States
- Silver Jackets programs



PRODUCTS

- Floodplain modeling and mapping
- Database for tracking TMDLs
- Assessments of climate change to rivers and coastlines

❖ PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS

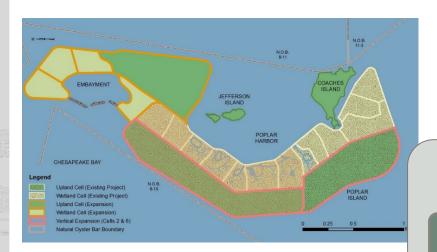
Innovative ways for USACE to partner





BENEFICIAL USE OF DREDGED MATERIAL

Poplar Island Expansion



STAY ON FUNDING SCHEDULE!!

Mid Bay Island

Project authorized in WRRDA 2014

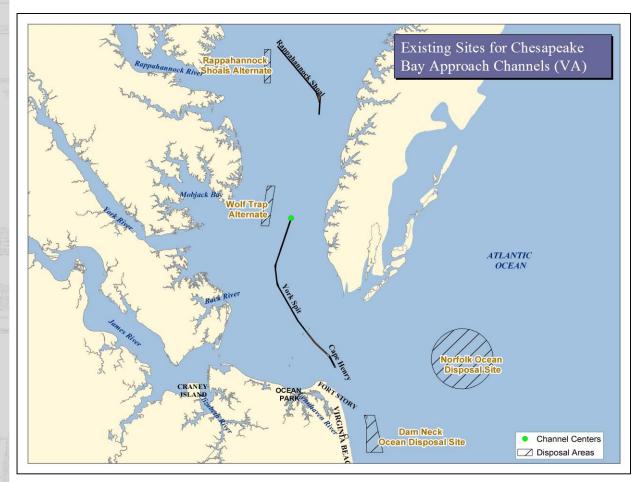
Current schedule requires project to be online and ready to receive dredged material by 2026







BENEFICIAL USE OF DREDGED MATERIAL



- Interstate and international commerce
- Wolf Trap is Federal Standard
- Overwintering Blue Crabs





BENEFICIAL USE OF DREDGED MATERIAL



Oyster Restoration 10 Tributaries by 2025 Maryland

Harris Creek

- Sanctuary: 4,500 acres
- Planned Restoration: 372 acres
- Restoration Complete: Summer 2015 – First sanctuary with restoration completed!

Little Choptank River

- Sanctuary: 9,417 acres
- Planned Restoration: 440 acres
- Completed Restoration: 27 acres completed + 125 acres constructed (not yet seeded)

Tred Avon River

- Sanctuary: 4,000 acres
- Planned Restoration: 146 acres
- Completed Restoration: 2.5 acres completed + 13.5 acres constructed (not yet seeded)



Oyster Restoration 10 Tributaries by 2025 Virginia

Great Wicomico

- Planned Restoration: ~ 100 acres
- Completed Restoration: 75 acres

Lynnhaven

- Planned Restoration: ~ 90 120 acres
- Completed Restoration: 63 acres

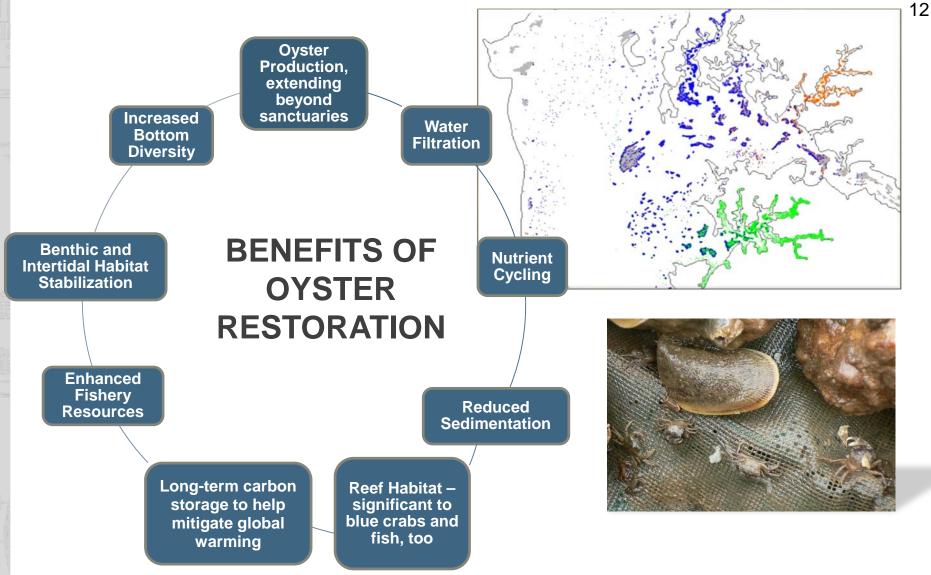
Lafayette

- Planned Restoration: ~ 73 146 acres
- Healthy Reefs: ~ 71 acres

Piankatank

- Planned Restoration: ~ 700 acres (to be refined)
- Completed Restoration: 25 acres, ~ 20 more in next year









MARYLAND AND VIRGINIA AQUACULTURE

Maryland

- Recent proposed changes to aquaculture permit process
- Lifted the acreage thresholds
- Concurrent application review process with Maryland Department of Natural Resources

Virginia

- Regional General Permit limited in certain areas (e.g. sea grass beds) but no acreage thresholds
- Active state review/screening process
- Existing, long-term leases in most areas





QUESTIONS





