

USACE 101

- Most of us are civilians (not soldiers)
 - Many of us are not engineers



- Most of our projects are water-related
 - Most of our projects are cost-shared with non-Feds
 - We are project funded (similar to consultants)



- Congress tells us what to work on and gives us \$\$\$
- USACE is not a grant awarding agency



of Engineers,





U.S. ARMY THE PHILADELPHIA DISTRICT

Serving the Delaware River Basin and the Mid-Atlantic Coast



Headquarters at 1650 Arch Street District boundaries are watershedbased

BY THE NUMBERS

- ~ 500 Army civilians
- ~ 150 miles of coastline
 - 15 field offices
 - 5 states
 - 5 earthfill dams
 - 5 highway bridges
 - 4 sea-level canals
 - 1 seagoing dredge



USACE MISSION AREAS WATER RESOURCES

- Flood Risk Management
- Navigation
- Coastal Storm Risk Management
- Aquatic Ecosystem Restoration
- Regulatory (Permitting)









USACE can study and build BIG things





USACE CAN ALSO ASSIST WITH SMALLER STUDIES, PROJECTS, AND TECHNICAL SERVICES

SECTION 22, PLANNING ASSISTANCE TO STATES

- Program to assist states (and local governments) with USACE expertise to prepare comprehensive plans for development, utilization and conservation of water resources
- USACE does NOT build anything

SILVER JACKETS



FLOOD PLAINS MANAGEMENT SERVICES (FPMS)

Advise, recommend, educate, inform and provide technical support to others



This workshop is being hosted by the PA Silver Jackets, an interagency team working together to

educe flood risk in Pennsylvania

US Army Corps

of Engineers.



HURRICANE EVACUATION STUDIES (HES)



SECTION 566 ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM





Environmental Infrastructure Project Authorities (Sec. 219)



COUNTIES

- A Northeast Pennsylvania (Wayne, Luzerne & Monroe Cos), PA
- B Pike County, PA
- C Lehigh County, PA
- D City of Philadelphia, PA
- E New Castle County, DE (Little Mill Creek)
- F Kent County, DE
- G Sussex County, DE (Dewey Beach, Oak Orchard)

MUNICIPALITIES

1	Newton, NJ
2	Jefferson Twp, NJ
3	Phillipsburg, NJ
4	City of Camden, NJ (2 projects)
5	Palmyra Twp, PA
6	Westfall Twp, PA
7	Pocono Twp, PA
8	Pen Argyl Boro, PA
9	Stockerton Boro, Tatamy Boro, & Palmer Twp, PA
10	Whitehall & S Whitehall Twps, PA
11	Vera Cruz, PA
12	Hatfield Boro, PA
13	Towamencin Twp, PA
14	North Wales Boro, PA
15	Phoenixville Boro, PA









- 5 Federally owned dams have prevented >\$600 million in flood damages since construction
- Dams receive two million visitors per year for recreation
- Environmental stewardship activities on ~4000 acres of land



LEHIGH, SCHUYLKILL, LACKAWAXEN RIVER WATERSHEDS





Flood Risk Management



- FLOOD RISK
 MANAGEMENT
 OPERATIONS ARE
 CARRIED OUT AS A
 SYSTEM IN UPPER
 BASINS
- DAMS NOT OPERATED FOR FLOOD RISK ON MAINSTEM DELAWARE BUT OPERATIONS ARE DESIGNED TO NOT AGGRAVATE OR WORSEN CONDITIONS ON DELAWARE DURING FLOODS





WATER SUPPLY, WATER QUALITY, DROUGHT RESILIENCE, RECREATION (A DELICATE BALANCE)



At Beltzville and Blue Marsh Dams USACE is contracted with DRBC at certain percentages for water supply and water quality needs in the Basin



DRBC can direct releases from Beltzville and FE Walter to regulate for flow objectives on the mainstem Delaware for drought emergencies.



Blue Marsh Dam



CURRENT F.E. WALTER DAM RE-EVALUATION STUDY













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