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# **US Army Corps of Engineers**



# We are one disciplined team.

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers is one team made up of a headquarters office, division offices, district offices, centers, labs, and active components—each working to provide better, safer and more environmentally sound services to the nation each day.



## **BUILDING STRONG®**

The Corps has taken this approach to heart realizing that those we serve and protect are also our mothers and fathers, sisters and brothers, sons and daughters.



# **BUILDING STRONG since 1775.**

The Corps story began more than 200 years ago when Congress established the Continental Army with a provision for a chief engineer on June 16, 1775. The Army established the Corps of Engineers as a separate, permanent branch on March 16, 1802, and gave the engineers responsibility for founding and operating the U.S. Military Academy at West Point.

Since then, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers has responded to changing defense and national requirements and played an integral part in the development of our country. Throughout the 19th century, the Corps built coastal fortifications, surveyed roads and canals, eliminated navigational hazards, explored and mapped the Western frontier, and constructed buildings and monuments in the nation's capital. While the mission and tasks have evolved with the needs and priorities of the nation, the dedication and commitment of the workforce have remained constant.











# We deliver engineering services worldwide.

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers has about 37,000 dedicated civilians and soldiers delivering engineering services to customers in more than 90 countries.

With sustainability as a guiding principle, our disciplined Corps team is working diligently to strengthen our nation's security by building and maintaining America's infrastructure and providing military facilities where our servicemembers train, work and live. We are also researching and developing technology for our warfighters while protecting America's interests abroad by using our engineering expertise to promote stability and improve quality of life.

We support other federal, state, and local agencies as well as the international community with a full range of planning, engineering, design/construction management, program management, real estate, research and development, and technical assistance services.







# We are BUILDING STRONG.

The Corps is energizing America's economy by keeping shipping channels open for navigation to support the movement of critical commodities.

Our lakes and dams play a critical role in generating power for homes and businesses, supplying water for nearby communities and farms, preventing or reducing flooding, and providing recreational opportunities for the public.

The Corps uses risk-informed decision making to ensure flood and storm damage reduction infrastructure does not pose



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unacceptable risks to the public. And in times of disaster, our team responds rapidly to provide emergency assistance.

Our men and women are protecting and restoring the nation's environment including critical efforts in the Everglades, the Gulf Coast, and along many of our nation's major waterways.

The Corps also is cleaning sites contaminated with hazardous, toxic or radioactive waste and ordnance in an effort to sustain the environment.





### At a Glance

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers:

- Is the nation's number one federal provider of outdoor and water-based recreation.
- Is the nation's environmental engineer.
- Owns and operates more than 670 flood damage reduction and navigation structures.
- Operates and maintains 12,000 miles of commercial inland navigation channels.
- Dredges more than 200 million cubic yards of construction and maintenance dredge material annually.
- Maintains more than 920 coastal, Great Lakes and inland harbors.
- Restores, creates, enhances or preserves tens of thousands of acres of wetlands annually under the Corps' regulatory program.

- Owns and operates 24 percent of the U.S. hydro power capacity or 3 percent of the total U.S. electric capacity.
- Designs, constructs and renovates facilities at Army and Air Force installations.
- Provides technical, construction, and humanitarian support to over 100 countries and 70 domestic agencies.
- Manages an Army military construction program between 2006 and 2013 totaling almost \$44.6 billion—the largest construction effort since World War II.
- Researches and develops lightweight, mobile technology to protect soldiers from rockets and mortars and to see the battlefield.
- Researches and develops technologies to protect the nation's environment and enhance quality of life.
- Is a steward of nearly 12 million acres of lands and waters.







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