



**US Army Corps  
of Engineers®**

# Value to the Army and the Nation

## Strengthening National Security

- Protecting national infrastructure and supporting the global war on terrorism.
  - Over 550 civilian members in the Gulf Region in FY03-04 --100 from South Pacific Division.
  - Global reach: supporting our nation's interests in more than 90 countries.
- Maintaining navigation and harbors critical to national defense.
- Engineering response for the Federal Emergency Management Agency
  - Wild Fire Response: \$9.5 M for debris basin clean up to protect southern California from mud flows and flooding within 30 days.
- Defense modernization--
  - Fielding Global Hawk and Predator: \$44 M at Beale and Nellis Air Force Bases
  - Land acquisition for Fort Irwin and Lake Air Force Base
  - Family Housing Modernization: Fort Huachuca, \$82 M



Rebuilding Iraq



California Wildfires - NASA Satellite

## Energizing the Economy

- Navigable waterways maintained by the Corps enable 2.4 billion tons of commerce to move, creating 13 million jobs.
  - Nearly half of the nation's world trade enters or leaves the United States through California's ports and harbors.
- Corps flood damage reduction structures save taxpayers \$21 billion in damages a year, spur economic growth and end costly flood insurance.
  - Tropicana/Flamingo Washes, Las Vegas, NV.
  - Santa Ana River Main Stem, CA
  - Lower American and Sacramento Rivers, CA.
- Private Sector partnership--
  - Private industry contractors carry out all construction and over 50% of planning and engineering.
  - 43% of all contracts in South Pacific Region were awarded to Small Business (\$331 million in FY03).



Port of Los Angeles  
Per 300/400 Development

## Enhancing the Environment

- Environmental Operating Principles: our commitment to environmentally sustainable water resources development and management.
- 19% of the Civil Works FY04 budget supports the environment.
  - Middle Rio Grand Bosque Ecosystem Restoration
- Using watershed approaches to project development and regulatory activities.
- Restoring Formerly Used Defense Sites for public health and safety.



San Francisco Bay Wetlands Restoration

## Corps Transformation

- Independent review for controversial projects without unacceptable delays.
- Streamline or eliminate bureaucratic processes that have evolved over time and are no longer justified by problems avoided.
- Share data and expertise with State and local governments more readily, saving money for all concerned.
- Facilitate closer coordination between federal, state and local agencies when reviewing project permits and other actions.
- Leverage research and development to improve economic models and methodologies.
- Transform Corps projects into true partnerships with the Corps and local sponsors.



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# South Pacific Division

**Respected, Responsive, Reliable  
Ready When You Need Us**



South Pacific Division encompasses one-fifth of the contiguous 48 states. Established in 1888, it is one of the Corps' eight Regional Business Centers nationwide. Operating Districts are headquartered in Albuquerque, Los Angeles, Sacramento, and San Francisco.

We support economically viable and environmentally sustainable watershed management and water resources development in California, Arizona, Nevada, Utah and New Mexico. We are also responsible for parts of Oregon, Idaho, Wyoming, Colorado and Texas. The Sacramento, Los Angeles and Albuquerque Districts provide engineering solutions; real estate and construction support to the Army and Air Force throughout the region.

We balance the needs of security, economic development, and the environment to insure tax dollars are well spent. Our structured analysis of costs and benefits ensure that taxpayers and local project sponsors get a sound, environmentally sustainable return on investment.

We have re-doubled our efforts to engage Federal, State and local agencies, stakeholders, and the public in meaningful dialogue. We have the major resource agencies at the table with us helping us make decisions.

We evaluate permit applications for essentially all construction activities that occur in the nation's waters, including wetlands under the Clean Water Act. The mission of the Corps of Engineers Regulatory Program is to protect the nation's aquatic resources, while allowing reasonable development through fair, flexible and balanced decision making for the regulated public.

Environmental programs encompass clean up of hazardous, toxic, and radioactive waste (HTRW) for the military as well as environmental mitigation and restoration for civil works projects and programs.



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