REGULATORY PROGRAM BRIEF

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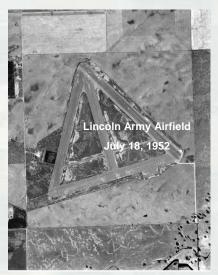




US Army Corps of Engineers
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Introduction to the Corps



- Navigation
- Flood Control
- Military/Civil Construction
- Disaster/Emergency Response
- Recreation
- Research and Development
- Regulatory













Regulatory Mission

To <u>protect</u> the Nation's aquatic resources, while <u>allowing reasonable development</u> through <u>fair</u>, <u>flexible and balanced permit decisions</u>.





"No Net Loss of Wetlands"



National Regulatory Program Facts

- ~\$220 billion in economic development is affected by the Program
- ~70,000 written authorizations (permits) affecting waters of the U.S., including wetlands
 - 75% on private property
 - 25% on government and tribal lands
- ~63,000 jurisdictional determinations (map waters & their jurisdiction)
- ~2,000 enforcement cases (non-compliance and unauthorized activities)
- ~60 appeals (of permit denials, proffered permits, jurisdictional determinations)





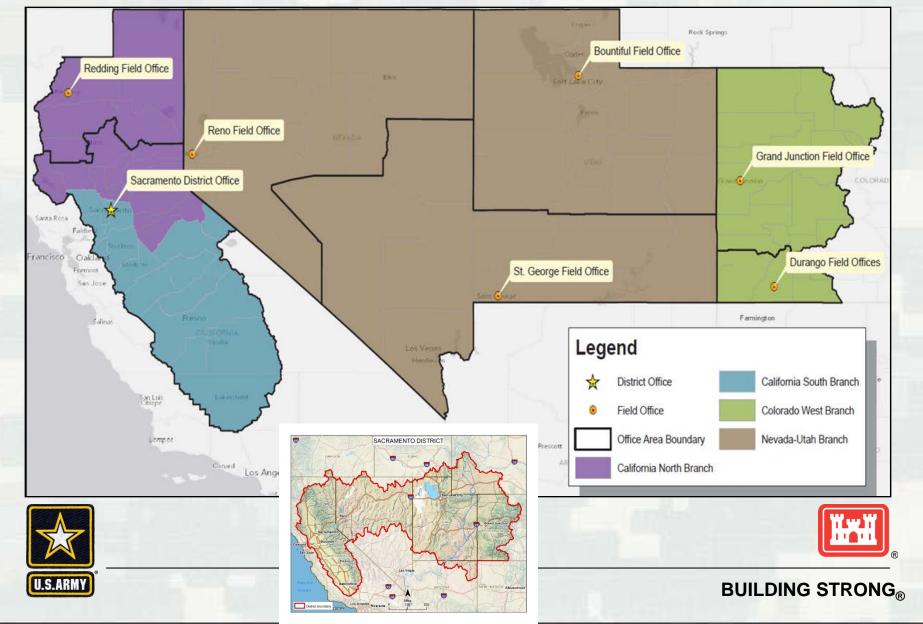
Key Principles & Concepts

- Corps is neither a proponent nor an opponent of proposed activities
- Corps works with applicants to avoid and minimize impacts to aquatic resources, and compensate for unavoidable impacts
- Our application review process varies based on the amount of impacts proposed.
 - Nationwide and Regional General Permits for small impacts 80% or more processed within 60 days of a complete application
 - Standard permits and Letters of Permission for larger impacts 50% or more processed within 120 days of a complete application
- Not all waters are subject to Corps jurisdiction
- Not all activities in waters of the US require Corps permits





Regulatory Offices



Sacramento District Regulatory

- 58 staff in 7 offices for the Sacramento District
 - > 10 staff in 3 offices for the Nevada-Utah Branch
 - > Enforcement Unit
 - > Tribal Liaison
 - Wetlands Specialist
 - Cultural Resources Specialist
 - Regulatory Permit Specialist
 - Mitigation Banking Specialist





Sacramento District Regulatory

- Development of Permit Strategies aligned with proposed Habitat Conservation Plans (under section 10 of ESA)
- Development of Programmatic Permitting Processes for Master-Planned Developments
- Heavily engaged in permitting actions regarding drought response and water reliability projects
- Major transportation projects including CA High Speed Train
- Developing programmatic agreements with CA SHPO (hope others to follow)
- National leader in approving mitigation banks





Questions?

