



Dear Valued Partner,

I want to thank you for your support as we continue to work to 'Revolutionize' the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Civil Works Program (USACE CW). For the past few years we have been working to make big improvements to the Corps Civil Works Program. Below is a brief summary of some recent actions:

- 1) December Partner Webinar: The Revolutionize USACE Civil Works Team will be hosting the second of two webinars on December 19 to discuss current activities, incorporation of your feedback, and recent accomplishments of the initiative. This session will also provide an opportunity for discussion and input from our partners. Information on how to join the webinar is available on our website at: <https://www.usace.army.mil/Missions/Civil-Works/Infrastructure/revolutionize/>.
- 2) Continuing Authorities Program (CAP) and Project Partnership Agreements (PPA): We have heard your comments about the improvements needed for CAP and PPAs and our team is refining recommendations to streamline both these areas. The recommendations will be implemented early next year.
- 3) USACE CW Public Private Partnership (P3) Pilot Program: The P3 Pilot Program will be sending out a request for information (RFI) in the Federal Register for conceptual P3 pilot projects in early 2020. Information on the status of current pilot projects and the RFI can be found on the P3 website at: https://www.usace.army.mil/Missions/Civil-Works/Infrastructure/Infra_P3_program/.
- 4) Waters of the U.S. (WOTUS): The Environmental Protection Agency and Department of the Army have published a rule to repeal the 2015 Clean Water Rule and re-codify the regulatory text defining "waters of the United States" that existed prior to 2015. The rule is available on the Federal Register at <https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2019/10/22/2019-20550/definition-of-waters-of-the-united-states-recodification-of-pre-existing-rules>. The rule will become effective on December 23, 2019. More information can be found at <https://www.epa.gov/wotus-rule>.

As some of you may already know, I will be retiring at the end of the month. While my replacement has yet to be named, MG Scott Spellmon, Deputy Commanding General, Civil and Emergency Operations will continue advancing the Revolutionize USACE CW initiative. MG Spellmon continues to be actively engaged in the activities supported by this effort and focused on its success going forward. I thank you for your overwhelming support during my time as Director of Civil Works and during this time of transition.

We value your partnership and input. We have posted an anonymous feedback form on our website to provide another opportunity for feedback. Please feel free to reach out to our Revolutionize USACE CW Team if you would like additional information or to have a team member participate in an upcoming meeting. If you want to add additional staff or to be removed from this email distribution list, please send an email to the Revolutionize USACE CW Team at cw.infrastructure.team@usace.army.mil. If you have any feedback or questions, please contact the Team via email or call Ms. Lauren Leuck, Revolutionize USACE CW Strategic Communication Lead, at 303-963-4522.

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