



USACE: Value to the Nation Through Flood Risk Reduction And Commercial Navigation

The President's Budget for Fiscal Year 2020 (FY20) provides \$4.827 billion in gross discretionary funding for the Civil Works program of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE). These funds support water resources infrastructure projects that produce high economic and environmental returns to the Nation and address significant risks to public safety.

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) Civil Works program is focused on the operation, maintenance, repair and replacement of major commercial navigation and flood risk management infrastructure, as well as on the restoration of aquatic ecosystems and the stewardship of the land and related water resources of USACE projects. Maintaining the key features of USACE infrastructure is becoming more costly as the Federal portfolio grows, assets age, and construction costs rise. USACE is working to reduce risks while addressing the current and future water resources challenges of the Nation.

Investing in Projects that have the Greatest Return on Investment

USACE prioritizes activities using purpose-based criteria in order to make the best use of Federal funds. This allows the Civil Works program to target key investments with the greatest impact on economic growth, public safety, and environmental benefits. The prioritization of investment decisions uses a risk management approach, which entails establishing priorities and focusing the available funding on the highest priority construction, operation, maintenance, and investigation activities.

Key Messages	Facts & Figures
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The FY20 Civil Works Budget focuses on the highest priority work within the agency's three main mission areas: flood and storm damage risk reduction, commercial navigation, and aquatic ecosystem restoration.• The Budget prioritizes projects that produce high economic and environmental returns to the Nation or address a significant risk to public safety.• Constructing, maintaining and operating key infrastructure projects contribute to the Nation's economy and quality of life, now and in the future. This Budget enables USACE to work in a shared effort by all levels of government and the private sector to be responsible stewards of the Nation's water resources.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• USACE flood and storm damage infrastructure includes 715 dams and 4,100 miles of levees, which help reduce the risk of flood damage. USACE is also the administrator of the National Levee Database, which inventories approximately 14,600 miles of federal and non-federal levees nationwide.• More than 2 billion tons of commercial cargo moves on 25,000 miles of USACE inland and coastal channels annually.• For more information visit http://www.usace.army.mil/.