Program Fact Sheet Support to 81st Readiness Division

PROJECT DESCRIPTION AND LOCATION

The Headquarters of the 81st Readiness Division (RD) is in Columbia, SC on Fort Jackson. The 81st RD provides essential customer care and facility services to Soldiers, Civilians and their Families in the Southeast Region of the United States and Puerto Rico. This enables their supported Commanders and leaders to maximize resources and meet global requirements. The 81st RD has a need for recurring Preventive Maintenance/Facility Investment and Municipal services for their facilities at over 300 sites (totaling over 700 building structures) located in 9 Southeastern states and Puerto Rico.

STATUS

In FY23, Charleston District awarded 323 contracts, contract options, and contract task orders in support of the 81st RD's annual facility maintenance program at a total cost of \$43M.

Future 81st RD program years are expected to stay consistent at \$40M to \$45M with recurring services and repairs. The higher estimate includes potential emergency hurricane, tornado, and other disaster response repairs to 81st RD facilities which are hurricane prone throughout the southeastern U.S. and Puerto Rico.

FUTURE ACTIVITIES

Charleston District will continue to provide support to 81st RD on an annual basis as workload and funding is provided from the customer.

Anticipated FY24 Execution: \$40M+

Anticipated FY25 Execution: \$40M+

SPONSOR

81st Readiness Division (RD)

PROGRAM MANAGER

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US Army Corps of Engineers • Charleston District Project Fact Sheet Atlantic Intracoastal Waterway (AIWW), SC Entire East Coast of SC P2#: 476894

Congressional District(s): Nancy Mace (SC-01), Russell Fry (SC-07)

Appropriation:	Operations & Maintenance
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Phase: N/A for O&M

Business Line: Navigation (NAV)

AUTHORITY

Multiple River and Harbors Acts (RHA) beginning in 1890. Latest RHA of 1945 (P.L. 14)

LOCATION

The AIWW is a protected navigation route that generally parallels the Atlantic coast between Norfolk, VA, and the St. John's River in Florida.

DESCRIPTION

The AIWW was constructed in the 1940's. South Carolina's portion runs 210 miles at an authorized depth of 12 feet and includes approximately 90 dredged material disposal areas adjacent the waterway. Funding constraints has deferred maintenance on disposal areas and reduced dredging capability, limiting channel depth in some segments. Current disposal maintenance backlog is \$14M. Presuming all disposal areas are again capable of receiving dredged spoils, annual maintenance dredging costs are about \$6M and annual disposal facility costs are about \$3M.

STATUS

As of April 2025 – The Charleston District is projected to receive \$8.6M in the FY25 President's Budget. This funding is scheduled for hot spot dredging in high shoaling areas and dredge placement area maintenance work to increase capacity for future dredging needs. A placement area maintenance contract awarded in March 2024 is currently placing beneficial-use sand on the Isle of Palms and Sullivan's Island.

SPONSOR

N/A

PROJECT MANAGER

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Project Fact Sheet Charleston Harbor, SC Charleston County, SC P2#: 476887

Congressional District(s): Nancy Mace (SC-01)

Appropriation: Operations & Maintenance

Business Line: Navigation (NAV)

AUTHORITY

Multiple River & Harbor Acts, beginning in 1878, latest Sec 101 WRDA 96 (P.L. 104-303)

LOCATION

Charleston Harbor is a deep-water ocean port adjacent to the Charleston peninsula and the City of Charleston. Charleston Harbor supports a vital mission in the defense of our nation and is one of the nation's 17 strategic ports. It is the 4th busiest container port on the East Coast.

DESCRIPTION

The project consists of operating and maintaining 38.6 miles of channel, three turning basins, one anchorage basin and 4 dredged spoils placement areas. The lower harbor requires dredging every year, the entrance channel every other year, and the upper harbor approximately every 15 - 18 months. Disposal placement site maintenance is perpetual and rotates from site to site based on conditions and required capacity.

STATUS

As of April 2025 – The Charleston District is projected to receive \$32M in the FY25 President's Budget. Funds are scheduled to dredge the upper and lower harbor and provide maintenance work at a disposal area.

SPONSOR

N/A

PROJECT MANAGER

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Project Fact Sheet Charleston Harbor, SC – Post-45 Charleston County, SC P2#: 137921

Congressional District(s): Nancy Mace (SC-01)

Phase: Construction

Business Line: Navigation (NAV)

AUTHORITY

Section 1401, Water Resource Development Act of 2016 (P.L. 114-322)

LOCATION

Charleston Harbor is located about midway along South Carolina's Atlantic coastline and supports a vital mission in the defense of our nation as one of the nation's 17 strategic ports for national defense. Commercial tonnage as reported by the Waterborne Commerce Statistics Center for Fiscal Year 2020 was 1.8 million Twenty-foot Equivalent container Units (TEUs) of cargo, which ranks the South Carolina Ports Authority as eighth in the nation for container traffic. BMW, Mercedes-Benz, Volvo, International Paper, Sonoco, Purdue, Fujifilm, Husqvarna, Honda, Samsung, Bosch, Dollar Tree, GE, Michelin, Continental Tire, Bridgestone, and Giti Tire are among the best-known businesses calling on South Carolina ports terminals in Charleston Harbor. Port operations facilitate 260,000 jobs across South Carolina and \$87 billion in economic activity each year.

DESCRIPTION

The non-federal sponsor, the South Carolina Ports Authority (SCPA), requested a locally preferred plan (LPP) with a project depth of -52 feet MLLW, along with associated channel widening and turning basins. The plan authorized by Congress is the LPP. The authorized project cost of the fully funded General Navigation Features is \$548,892,000, with average annual benefits from the latest approved evaluation of \$169,627,000 and average annual costs of \$26,460,000. The benefit-to-cost ratio is 6.4 at 2.875%. The Federal share of the authorized project cost is approximately \$345,430,000 and the non-federal share is approximately \$203,462,000. The authorized project: (1) deepens the existing entrance channel from a project depth of -47 feet to -54 feet MLLW and extends it approximately three miles seaward; (2) deepens the inner lower harbor from an existing project depth of -45 feet to -52 feet MLLW from the entrance channel to the confluence of the Wando and Cooper Rivers, and about two miles up the Wando River to the Wando Welch Terminal and about three miles up to the Cooper River to the Hugh K. Leatherman, Sr. Terminal; 3) deepens the inner upper harbor to a project depth of -48 feet MLLW over the five mile reach leading from the Hugh K. Leatherman, Sr. Terminal to the North Charleston Terminal; (4) enlarges the existing turning basins at the Wando Welch, Hugh K. Leatherman, Sr. and North Charleston Terminals; and (5) widens selected channel reaches.

STATUS

As of March 2025 - The Project was authorized for construction in December 2016. The Project Partnership Agreement (PPA) was executed in July 2017 and included provisions for the SCPA to advance the federal share, in addition to the non-federal share, for the purpose of constructing the Project. An amendment to the PPA was signed in February of 2020 stating that

funds received in the FY20 Appropriations Bill will be used to fully fund the project to completion. The USACE Charleston District received \$17,500,000 in the FY17 work plan for a new start construction project, \$49,000,000 in the FY18 work plan, and \$41,415,000 in the FY19 work plan. In FY20, Charleston District received \$138,040,000 in the FY20 Appropriations Bill, funding the project to completion. In FY23 and FY24, Charleston District received \$10,440,000 and \$25,000,000, respectively, in Congressionally Directed Spending for partial reimbursement to the SCPA for their advanced funding towards the federal cost share.

Dredging construction began March 2018 and was completed December 2022. Five contracts were executed with three dredging companies for \$514M of construction. \$26M of upland placement maintenance and improvement contracts were also awarded and completed. Five-years of post-construction environmental monitoring began in 2023, concluding in 2028. Fiscal closeout of the project is expected in 2029.

SPONSOR

South Carolina Ports Authority

PROJECT MANAGER

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Project Fact Sheet Charleston Peninsula Charleston County, SC P2#: 474899

Congressional District(s): Nancy Mace (SC-01), James Clyburn (SC-06)

Appropriation:	Investigations
Phase:	Preconstruction, Engineering, and Design
Business Line:	Coastal Storm Risk Management (CSRM)

AUTHORITY

Section 8401, Water Resources Development Act of 2022 (P.L. 117-263)

LOCATION

The project is within the City of Charleston, Charleston County, South Carolina, specifically the Peninsula area that is surrounded by the Ashley and Cooper Rivers.

DESCRIPTION

The Charleston Peninsula CSRM project purpose is to address potential structural and nonstructural solution sets in terms of coastal storm risk management. Coastal storm risk management seeks to address coastal storm and flood risk to vulnerable populations, property, ecosystems, and infrastructure along the coast. The Charleston Peninsula, South Carolina has high levels of risk and vulnerability to coastal storms which will be exacerbated by a combination of sea level rise and climate change over the period of analysis. The PED phase will address detailed engineering, technical studies, and design to include aspects such as continued study of the barrier alignment, prospects for additional natural and nature-based features, specifics of cultural/historic and aesthetic mitigation, refinement of operation and maintenance procedures, advisability of higher nonstructural measure design elevations, opportunities to incorporate additional climate change resilience and other aspects of the plan.

STATUS

As of March 2025 – FY23 Omnibus Appropriations Bill appropriated \$13,225,000 for the PED phase of the project. The Charleston District has drafted a Design Agreement and provided to the City of Charleston. The City of Charleston requested changes that will require USACE Division and Headquarter review and approval. The Charleston District continues to coordinate with the City of Charleston regarding incorporation of non-coastal storm related flooding measures under the Tidal- & Inland- Flood Risk Management study that was initiated in FY24.

SPONSOR

City of Charleston

PROJECT MANAGER



Congressional District: Nancy Mace (SC-01), James Clyburn (SC-06)

Appropriation:	Investigations
Phase:	Feasibility

Business Line: Flood Risk Management (FRM)

AUTHORITY

Section 201(a)(22) of the Water Resources Development Act of 2020, Public Law 116-260.

LOCATION

City of Charleston, South Carolina

DESCRIPTION

Identify and evaluate alternatives and the preparation of a decision document that, as appropriate, recommends a coordinated and implementable solution for flood risk management in the City of Charleston, South Carolina.

STATUS

As of March 2025 – Feasibility Cost Sharing Agreement signed March 5, 2024. The Alternative Milestone Meeting was held on August 23, 2024. The Assistant Secretary of the Army of Civil Works approved the vertical team alignment memo on January 15, 2025, that allowed the study to complete the Chiefs Report in 67 months and budget \$12,250,000. The Tentatively Selected Plan milestone is scheduled for January 2028 and Chiefs Report for September 2029. In FY24, the FY24 Appropriations Bill funded the study \$600,000 from Congressional Directed Spending. The study was not funded in the FY25 President's Budget. The City of Charleston has requested the inclusion of Section 8106(a) of WRDA 2022 that requires the study to maximize net benefits from the reduction of comprehensive flood risks. The study is currently modeling the future without project conditions for the Peninsula, James Island and West Ashley.

SPONSOR

City of Charleston

PROJECT MANAGER



Congressional District: Nancy Mace (SC-01), James Clyburn (SC-06)

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SPONSOR

City of Charleston

PROJECT MANAGER



US Army Corps of Engineers® Charleston District **Project Fact Sheet** Cooper River, Charleston Harbor, SC Berkeley and Charleston Counties, SC P2#: 476967

Congressional District(s): Nancy Mace (SC-01), James Clyburn (SC-06)

Appropriation: Operations & Maintenance

Business Line: Navigation (NAV)

AUTHORITY

Section 101, River and Harbor Act of 1968 (P.L. 90-483), modified by Title I Energy and Water Development Act, 1992 (P.L. 102-104) and further modified by Section 353 (a), Water Resource Development Act of 1999 (P.L. 106-53)

LOCATION

The project is in Charleston and Berkeley Counties. All operations and maintenance are in Berkeley County (St. Stephen, SC) about 45 miles north of Charleston, SC.

DESCRIPTION

The Cooper River Rediversion Project includes operation and maintenance of the St. Stephen Power Plant in accordance with an agreement with the South Carolina Public Service Authority (Santee Cooper). The project diverts most of the Santee River waters above Pinopolis Dam back into the lower Santee River producing 160,000 MWh of electricity annually. The project includes operation and maintenance of a fish lift, which since its opening in 1987 has passed over 10 million herring, 7 million shad, and tens of thousands of other fish. The project was authorized to reduce sedimentation in Charleston Harbor, and successfully lowers sediment flow within the Cooper River from 10M cubic yards to 2M cubic yards annually. Prior to this rediversion, Charleston Harbor dredging costs threatened the continued viability of the port, but annual savings of about \$36 million recognized by this project have negated that concern.

STATUS

As of March 2025 – Funds are being used to operate the power plant, perform power plant maintenance, and perform maintenance of non-recreational buildings, grounds, utilities, and the fish lift. Routine operation and maintenance: \$4.805M in FY25 appropriations to maintain and operate the power plant and fish lift, to manage natural resources, to perform condition and operational studies/activities and to comply with water quality, State and Federal environmental and reliability regulations. FY25 Work Plan funding, if received, would be used to perform needed, non-routine maintenance. Impacts of not funding: Increased shoaling in Charleston Harbor which is downstream of the Project and impacts to effectively passing fish through the fish lift for the upcoming spawning season.

SPONSOR

N/A

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SPONSOR

N/A

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US Army Corps of Engineers® Charleston District **Program Fact Sheet** Support to Defense Logistics Agency (DLA), Pacific Air Force (PACAF), and other DoD

PROJECT DESCRIPTION AND LOCATION

Charleston District provides support to control corrosion generally through the use of Cathodic Protection (CP) for DLA-Energy capitalized facilities at Army installations (worldwide), Air Force installations (PACAF AOR), Navy and Marine Corps installations (in South Korea), and other non-capitalized sites for other DOD customers (worldwide).

DLA Energy has 80 Army, 14 Air Force, and 2 Navy/USMC sites that have annual requirements for surveys, and repairs as necessary on fuel storage and distribution systems. Additionally, PACAF AOR has 15 sites that have annual requirements on non-DLA capitalized facilities. Other customers are also serviced on a case-by-case basis. The USMC has an additional 15 sites that we plan to support starting in FY-26.

CONUS and OCONUS sites are equally divided. Overseas locations include Hawaii, Alaska, Puerto Rico, Guam, Wake Island, South Korea, Japan, Germany, Belgium, Italy, Honduras, and Romania. New sites expected in Australia, Bulgaria, and the Philippines within the 2-3 years.

Goods and services provided by Charleston District include project management, contract award and administration, design (both in-house and A/E), technical support and construction management, in-house execution for assessment/compliance surveys and minor repairs.

STATUS

FY 24 had a total of 115 projects with 45 projects executed in-house, and 70 projects via contract. Total of all actions in FY-24 was \$ 4.9 million.

FUTURE ACTIVITIES

In FY 25, the Charleston District will continue to provide support to the same customers at the same number of sites (more or less) at slightly more cost due to inflationary factors. Out years, this value will grow by 15 USMC sites (estimated \$2.5 million per year).

SPONSOR

Defense Logistics Agency – Energy Command

PROJECT MANAGER

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Program Fact Sheet Support to Defense Logistics Agency (DLA)

PROJECT DESCRIPTION AND LOCATION

Charleston District provides support to 3 DLA Installation Management activities - Distribution, Disposition, and Energy.

DLA Distribution has 22 CONUS (including Pearl Harbor, HI) and 5 OCONUS distribution centers located worldwide. Their facilities footprint includes 60M square feet in 11,000 buildings. DLA Distribution is the leading provider of global distribution support to America's military. including receiving, storing, and issuing supplies, as well as other tailored services to increase Warfighter readiness. DLA Installation Management for Distribution, located in New Cumberland, PA, provides environmental protection, equipment management, facilities engineering, industrial engineering, and public safety support functions in an effective, efficient and timely manner within regulatory guidelines to DLA Distribution. In 2009, DLA Installation Management for Distribution reached out to Charleston District to provide single-door access to USACE for support of their SRM (Sustainment, Repair, and Maintenance) work, including overhaul of fire suppression systems throughout their CONUS footprint. DLA Disposition serves the military in 16 foreign countries, 2 U.S. territories (Guam and Puerto Rico), and 41 states and disposes of excess property received from military services, first offered for reutilization within the Department of Defense (DoD), transfer to other federal agencies, or donation to state and local governments and other qualified organizations. DLA Installation Management for Disposition, located in Battle Creek, MI, coordinated with Charleston District in 2017 through DLA Installation Management for Distribution to provide Facility Investment Services (FIS) support at installations where Distribution and Disposition were co-located. More recently, DLA Installation Management for Disposition has tasked Charleston District to provide SRM support at specific Disposition facilities.

DLA Energy is located worldwide and provides the Department of Defense and other government agencies with comprehensive energy solutions and support for fuel and energy related operations. DLA Installation Management for Energy is located at Fort Belvoir, VA. Since 2011, Charleston District has provided Cathodic Protection (CP) support at multiple Army sites (CONUS and OCONUS) where DLA fuel tanks and systems are located. Charleston District provides in-house and contracted survey and repair support for installed CP equipment and systems.

Goods and services provided by Charleston District include project management, contract award and administration, design (both in-house and A/E), technical support and construction management.

STATUS

As of March 2025 - Charleston District is currently executing work for DLA Installation Management for Distribution, Disposition and Energy at assigned CONUS and OCONUS (CP only) locations. Program execution includes planning, design services, and construction and service contract awards on a national and international level. The scope of supported work includes SRM, Fire Protection, Facility Investment Services (FIS), Cathodic Protection (CP) improvements, maintenance and repairs consistent with the respective missions. FIS support includes regularly scheduled preventative maintenance, services calls, and task order responses for small repairs.

Current execution forecast for FY25 is \$90M.

FUTURE ACTIVITIES

Charleston District will continue to provide support to DLA Installation Management for Distribution, Disposition, and Energy on an annual basis. Projected workload in FY26 and outyears is \$50M annually for SRM, Fire Protection, Cathodic Protection, and Facilities Investment Services (FIS) support.

SPONSOR

Defense Logistics Agency

PROJECT MANAGER

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US Army Corps of Engineers. Charleston District Project Fact Sheet Eagle and Chandler Creeks (Section 205 CAP) Dorchester County, SC P2#: 473391

Congressional District:	James Clyburn (SC-06)
Appropriation:	Continuation Authorities Program
Phase:	Feasibility
Business Line:	Flood Damage Reduction (CAP Section 205)

AUTHORITY

Section 205, 1948 Flood Control Act, as amended

LOCATION

The study area is in Dorchester County near its intersection with Berkeley County and Charleston County, South Carolina, between Wallace Ackerman Road and the confluence of Eagle Creek with Chandler Creek. The study area is within the Spencer Branch Watershed. Eagle Creek is about one mile long before being joined by Chandler Creek. Eagle Creek eventually flows into the Ashley River.

DESCRIPTION

Over the course of its one-mile stretch, Eagle Creek flows along several neighborhoods, such as Tranquil Acres, Tranquil Estates, Grand Oaks Preserve, and Summerwood. These neighborhoods have experienced flooding from Eagle Creek due to storm events and the flood risk mitigation of these neighborhoods was a major focus of the study. Eagle Creek experiences channel capacity issues during intense storm events, causing recurrent flooding within residential areas surrounding Eagle Creek.

Channel capacity issues are further exacerbated by (1) the inability for Eagle Creek to drain properly when the Ashley River, the receiving body, is high due to tides and storm surge; (2) the elevated berm adjacent to Eagle Creek acts as a barrier and obstructs wetland connectivity; (3) sedimentation and diminished hydrologic capacity; and (4) downstream Eagle Creek is narrower than upstream creating a hydrologic pinch-point. As a result of these issues, over twenty residential homes in the study area have experienced recurrent flooding damages. The PDT's objective is to identify a recommended plan to reduce flooding damages in the affected neighborhoods while avoiding, minimizing, or mitigating significant environmental impacts. In cooperation with the County, the study team evaluated numerous alternatives, including both structural and non-structural measures. The plan that provides the greatest benefits is the upstream benching alternative. This plan removes an old berm along the southern streambank for approximately 1,352 ft, effectively reconnecting the stream to the floodplain and reducing flood risk to the surrounding communities.

STATUS

As of March 2025 - On 18 December 2023, Charleston District and Dorchester County executed a Feasibility Cost Share Agreement (FCSA). On 4 January 2024, the Project Delivery Team (PDT), initiated the study. On 27 February 2025, the study team held an In-Progress Review with the South Atlantic Division (SAD) policy review team and determined that was not in the

Federal interest to continue the study through implementation due to negative net economic benefits. The County has been notified and is prepared to continue the project through completion. The PDT is preparing a public meeting to notify the public of the path forward.

SPONSOR

Dorchester County

PROJECT MANAGER

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Congressional District(s): Nancy Mace (SC-01)

Construction

Phase: Construction

Business Line: Coastal Storm Risk Management (CSRM)

AUTHORITY

Section 1401, Water Resource Development Act of 2016 (P.L. 114-322)

LOCATION

Edisto Beach is a barrier island approximately 20 miles southwest of Charleston, South Carolina.

DESCRIPTION

Erosion from coastal storms of all types, but especially named tropical storms and hurricanes, is eroding the land around homes, businesses, and infrastructure, many of which are perilously close to structural failure. State Highway 174 is the only evacuation route island and is routinely subject to over wash and flooding. If not corrected, erosion will continue to threaten other infrastructure such as water and electrical systems. A Chief's Report was signed on 5 September 2014 and includes construction of new dune and berm features and lengthens existing groins along 4.1 miles of beach. The plan provides for coastal storm damage reduction of buildings and other infrastructure; protects the only evacuation route; protects sea turtle and shorebird habitat; preserves existing recreational opportunities; and has the full support of the local sponsor and stakeholder agencies.

STATUS

As of March 2025 - The Bipartisan Budget Act of 2018 (BBA18) funded initial construction of the federal project. In May 2022, a Validation Report was signed, reaffirming the federal interest in the project. A project revision reduces the project length to 3.3 miles by removing two inlet reaches while still delivering storm protection and damage reduction. The sponsor secured their cost share and signed the Project Partnership Agreement in February 2023. The sponsor received in kind credit for their 2017 lengthening of groins consistent with the federal project. The team is reviewing the 95% design, while the sponsor is working to acquire necessary real estate. Pending successful real estate acquisition, construction is targeted to begin winter 2025.

SPONSOR

Town of Edisto Beach

PROJECT MANAGER

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Congressional District(s): Nancy Mace (SC-01)

Phase: Construction

Business Line: Coastal Storm Risk Management (CSRM)

AUTHORITY

Section 501 (a), Water Resources Development Act of 1986 (P.L. 99-662)

LOCATION

Folly Beach is located about 12 miles south of Charleston, South Carolina on Folly Island. Folly Island is 6.1 miles in length, of which 5.34 miles are included in the federal project.

DESCRIPTION

The plan of improvement provides for protection from a 5-year storm event over a total project reach of 5.34 miles. Periodic nourishment will be required approximately every eight years. A Corps Section 111 study established that 57% of the erosion/damage at Folly Beach resulted from the Federal navigation improvements at the Charleston Harbor jetties, therefore, it is classified as a navigation mitigation project. This resulted in cost sharing of 85% federal and 15% non-Federal instead of the usual 65% federal and 35% non-federal. The initial nourishment was completed in 1993. The first periodic nourishment was completed in 2005. The third periodic nourishment was completed in March 2019.

STATUS

As of March 2025 – The Charleston District awarded a construction contract in December 2023 for emergency renourishment of the project due to impact from Hurricane Ian. This effort was funded by the Disaster Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act of 2023. Construction, completed October 1, 2024, placed 1 million cubic yards of beach-compatible material to restore the beach to the full project profile, at a total cost of \$25M. The project also includes rehabilitation of a critical Bird Sanctuary and the dredging of the Folly River Federal Navigation channel.

FY23 Omnibus Appropriations Bill appropriated \$500,00 for the PED phase of the successor project. The Design Agreement was signed September 11, 2024. The initial design activities include monitoring the borrow area recharge rate for material required to construct the new beach template.

SPONSOR

City of Folly Beach

PROJECT MANAGER



Congressional District(s): Nancy Mace (SC-01)

Appropriation: Operations & Maintenance

Business Line: Navigation (NAV)

AUTHORITY

Section 107, River and Harbor Act of 1960 (P.L. 86-645)

LOCATION

The project begins in Folly River and Folly Creek north of the Town of Folly Beach and follows a southwesterly course through Stono Inlet into the Atlantic Ocean.

DESCRIPTION

This project is for maintenance of 7.0 miles of channel. This channel provides access to the open ocean for commercial shrimp vessels that operate out of the area. The estimated annual appropriations needed is approximately \$500,000 except every other year when the inside channel needs to be dredged the requirement is approximately \$1,500,000. Because of meandering sandbars and no jetties this is a project that requires dredging annually in the entrance channel.

STATUS

As of March 2025 – The Charleston District completed an environmental assessment to support nearshore placement projects from Folly River O&M project that will indirectly support the Folly Beach CSRM federal project. The next nearshore placement project is scheduled for Fall 2025.

SPONSOR

City of Folly Beach

PROJECT MANAGER



US Army Corps of Engineers. Charleston District

Congressional District(s): Nancy Mace (SC-01), Joe Wilson (SC-02), Sheri Biggs (SC-03), William Timmons (SC-04), Ralph Norman (SC-05), James Clyburn (SC-06), Russell Fry (SC-07)

Appropriation: Investigations

AUTHORITY

Section 206, River and Harbor Act of 1960 (P.L. 86-645)

DESCRIPTION

This program permits us to use our technical expertise in flood plain management to help others outside the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. Upon request, we will furnish states, counties, cities, tribes, and certain federal agencies with flood hazard information, technical services, and planning guidance without charge. The Program conducts special studies to improve methods and procedures for flood damage prevention and abatement and provides guides and pamphlets on topics such as flood proofing, flood plain regulations and other flood plain management topics. Assistance includes flood hazard evaluations, discharge and flood information.

The purposes are to foster public understanding of the options available to address flood hazards and promote prudent use and management of the Nation's floodplains. The FPMS program addresses the needs of people who live in floodplains by helping them understand flood hazards and actions they can take to reduce property damage and prevent the loss of life.

STATUS

As of March 2025 – This program is listed in the Army Recommended budget only by total program needs and is not broken down by state. Funds are utilized to provide a broad range of information, technical assistance and planning guidance related to floodplain management for federal, state, local, private, non-profit interests. FPMS funds are also used to coordinate with customers for other studies, such as Hurricane evacuation studies.

SPONSOR

N/A

PROJECT MANAGER

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PROJECT DESCRIPTION AND LOCATION

Fort Jackson is in Columbia, SC and represented by Congressman Joe Wilson (SC-2). It is the largest and most active Initial Entry Training Center in the U.S. Army, training 50 percent of all Soldiers and 80 percent of the women entering the Army each year. Fort Jackson is home to the U.S. Army Soldier Support Institute, the U.S. Army Chaplains Center and School and the National Center for Credibility Assessment (NCCA).

The fort includes more than 52,000 acres, including more than 100 ranges and field training sites and 1,160 buildings. The fort continues to grow as a result of the Base Realignment and Closure Commission's decision to make Fort Jackson the home of the Army's only Drill Sergeant School, the Armed Forces Chaplain Center and the 81st Regional Reserve Command. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Charleston District took over as the Design Construction agent in June 2008.

STATUS

As of 26 March 2024 - Currently, Fort Jackson's Program includes 1 Military Construction Army (MCA) Project with programmed amount of \$154M, 2 AE Task Orders estimated at \$800k, 3 Operation and Maintenance, Army (OMA) projects estimated at \$8M and 2 service contracts estimated at \$9M. Funding for these projects may be questionable due to fiscal uncertainty. Typical facilities at Fort Jackson include barracks, dining facilities, battalion headquarters, classrooms administrative buildings and ranges. Fort Jackson currently has approximately \$178M under construction.

FY24 MCA Reception Battalion Phase 2, \$154M

OMA 2-13th Barracks Upgrades - \$5M Motor Control Center Upgrade - \$1M Range Ops Control - \$2M

Service Contracts Preventive Maintenance Contract - \$8M Relocatable Preventive Maintenance Contract - \$800k

Total - \$170M

FUTURE ACTIVITIES

Charleston District will continue to provide support to Fort Jackson on an annual basis as workload and funding is provided from the customer. SRM budgets are estimated to be lower than previous FY budgets or close to \$8M. FY24 program is expected to be higher than the FY23 Program or close to \$170M in MCA, OMA and Preventive Maintenance projects.

SPONSOR

Fort Jackson

PROJECT MANAGER

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Project Fact Sheet Georgetown Harbor, SC Georgetown County, SC P2#:520502

Congressional District: Russell Fry (SC-07)

Appropriation: Operations & Maintenance

Business Line: Navigation (NAV)

AUTHORITY

Multiple River and Harbor Acts. Beginning 1886, Latest RHA of 1948 (P.L. 858)

LOCATION

The project is located on the coast of South Carolina at the entrance of Winyah Bay.

DESCRIPTION

The Georgetown Harbor Federal Navigation Channel includes maintenance of approximately 19 miles of channel, one turning basin, and three disposal areas for a total of 550 acres. The Port of Georgetown was transferred from the South Carolina Ports Authority to Georgetown County on June 30, 2023. The inside channel was last dredged in August 2008. The entrance channel was last dredged in February 2006.

STATUS

As of March 2025 – USACE received \$6.5M in FY24 for operations and maintenance dredging of Georgetown Harbor. Governor McMaster wrote a letter dated June 21, 2024, designating Georgetown County as the nonfederal sponsor (NFS) for this project. The County executed a County Resolution on November 12, 2024, assuming the responsibility for conditions of local cooperation with the Federal Government pertaining to their role as the NFS.

USACE and the County are collaborating on the extent of the dredging work. Currently the team is at 65% design and is preparing to release a draft Environmental Assessment (EA) after reviewing and compiling sediment testing results.

The County is preparing a contributed funds agreement with the intent of providing additional non-federal funds to dredge a larger portion of the existing federal channel and to increase the longevity of the channel conditions. A contract award is estimated by 2026.

SPONSOR

Georgetown County, South Carolina.

PROJECT MANAGER

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Charleston District

Project Fact Sheet Inspection of Completed Works, SC

P2#:476739

Congressional Districts: Nancy Mace (SC-01), Joe Wilson (SC-02), Sheri Biggs (SC-03), William Timmons (SC-04), Ralph Norman (SC-05), James Clyburn (SC-06), Russell Fry (SC-07)

Business Line: Flood Risk Management (FRM)

AUTHORITY

Section 221, River and Harbor Act of 1970 (P.L. 91-611)

DESCRIPTION

The Inspection of Completed Works (ICW) Program is an Operations and Maintenance (O&M) Program that provides for Corps of Engineers inspections of Flood Risk Management (FRM) and Coastal Storm Risk Management (CSRM) projects constructed by the federal government and turned over to the local public sponsor after construction. Inspections are conducted jointly by engineers or technical representatives of the Charleston District and the local public sponsors to verify compliance with O&M as directed in project manuals. During inspections, observable deficiencies that need to be addressed for the project to maintain structural integrity and design capabilities and/or provide flood protection to the community are documented. A written report on the project condition is sent to the local sponsor with recommendations for corrective action if needed. Inspections are necessary to determine if local interests are maintaining projects in accordance with existing agreements, ensure project benefits are retained, that the project is eligible for repair under PL 84-99, and to maintain strong relationships with sponsors and partners.

STATUS

As of March 2025 – Inspection of projects are ongoing and scheduled periodically throughout the year. The project is unfunded since FY23, most remaining funds have been expended, and continued project inspection is expected to end in Q4/FY25.

SPONSOR

Various

PROJECT MANAGER

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Program Fact Sheet Support to Joint Base Charleston

PROJECT DESCRIPTION AND LOCATION

The Joint Base Charleston (JBC) community encompasses more than 20,000 active-duty, reserve, and civilian personnel, located on the Air Base and the Weapons Station which together makeup 20,400 acres. Personnel at the Air Base, Weapons Station, the local community, and the Department of Defense believe Joint Basing is the steppingstone to making Charleston a Joint Logistics, Transportation and Engineering Hub and the worldwide leader in moving people, vehicles, munitions, and supplies via air, land, sea, and rail.

Joint Base Charleston is unique with over 53 tenants. Joint Base Charleston is comprised of Air Force, Navy, Army, Marine Corps, Coast Guard, Homeland Security, and other DoD missions - all working together to support the national defense.

STATUS

In FY24 we awarded 3 contract actions amounting to \$1.2M.

Significant ongoing projects include the following:

\$873k Install Emergency Generator, SDDC TC Dock
\$302k Replace Emergency Generators, SDDC B3304, B3310, B3196
\$744k NPTU Repair VESDA Smoke Control System
\$215k Design – AFSBn LAMS Electrical System Repairs and Restrooms
\$186k Design – SDDC TC Dock B3852 Structural Repairs
\$258k Design – Brig Gates Repairs and Showers Upgrades
\$600k Design (TSC In-house) - SDDC F-Track Wye Rail Curve and Pier Bravo Rail Extension

We are continuing to work toward developing other construction contracts for JBC customers for FY25, with one new design effort and several current design efforts scheduled for FY25 construction awards estimated at \$3.2M.

FUTURE ACTIVITIES

Charleston District will continue to provide support to JBC on an annual basis as workload and funding is provided from the customer. SRM budgets have declined and are anticipated to remain below average for FY25. As a result, the FY25 program is expected to be below the typical FY program average.

SPONSOR

Joint Base Charleston

PROJECT MANAGER

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9 May 2025



Project Fact Sheet Lakes Marion and Moultrie, SC Various Counties, SC P2#: 113262 and 520882

Congressional District(s): James Clyburn (SC-06)

Construction

Phase: Construction

Business Line: Environmental Infrastructure (Water Supply)

AUTHORITY

The project is authorized by Section 219 (Environmental Infrastructure) of the Water Resources Development Act (WRDA) of 1992, Public Law (P.L) 102-580, as amended. Section 219 authorizes the Secretary of the Army to provide assistance to non-Federal interests for carrying out water-related environmental infrastructure and resource protection and development projects including wastewater treatment and related facilities and water supply, storage, treatment, and distribution facilities. Most recently, the Project's authorization limit was increased from \$165,000,000 to \$235,000,000 in Section 219(f)(25) WRDA 2024, P.L. 118-227.

LOCATION

Using Lake Marion as a source, this environmental infrastructure project provides potable water to satisfy immediate and future water supply and sewer needs for a large portion of four counties and seven municipalities located in central South Carolina.

DESCRIPTION

The project, which utilizes the storage capacity of Lake Marion as the centralized water source for a regional water system, includes construction of an 8 million gallon per day (MGD) drinking water treatment plant (expandable to 12 MGD) and the installation of water transmission pipelines to the various municipalities and counties that are part of the system. The pipelines primarily follow existing power line, railroad, and highway rights-of-way. The completed and planned reaches serve the counties of Berkeley, Calhoun, Dorchester, Orangeburg, Clarendon, including the towns of St. George, Elloree, Santee, Holly Hill, Bowman, Harleyville and Ridgeville with potential for future expansion into additional areas. The water treatment plant is located on a 26-acre site adjacent to the Bluffs Subdivision near the town of Santee.

Environmental infrastructure projects are not funded in the annual President's Budget, and this project is instead funded in the annual Work Plan or via Congressionally Directed Spending.

STATUS

As of March 2025 – There are currently 5 ongoing construction projects, including Winding Woods Reach, Winding Woods Tank, Providence Reach, and Orangeburg-Berkeley Phases 1 and 2. Winding Woods Reach and Tank as well as Providence Reach are substantially complete and the Contractor is completing punch list items prior to financial closeout. Orangeburg-Berkeley Phase 1 was awarded in December 2024, with completion expected late 2025. Orangeburg Berkeley Phase 2 was awarded in September 2024, with completion expected late contract award expected in Summer 2026. Design continues for the Cameron Reaches, with construction contract award expected in Summer 2025, with contract award expected in Summer 2025, with contract award expected in late FY26.

SPONSOR

Lake Marion Regional Water Agency

PROJECT MANAGER

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Congressional District: Russell Fry (SC-07)

Appropriation: Operations & Maintenance

Business Line: Navigation (NAV)

AUTHORITY

Section 201 of the 1965 Flood Control Act (P.L. 89-298)

LOCATION

Little River Inlet just south of the SC/NC state line. Today, the principal economic activity is recreational use and commercial fishing.

DESCRIPTION

The project provides an entrance channel 12 feet deep to the Atlantic Intracoastal Waterway, with ocean jetties 3284 feet long on the north and 3830 feet long on the south. Sand dikes tie the jetties to the shore.

STATUS

As of March 2025 – The Charleston District received \$3.5M in the FY24 workplan. Environmental Assessment (EA) update is pending concurrent with plans and specs for jetty maintenance. Contract for jetty maintenance is expected to award summer 2026 with completion the following spring.

SPONSOR

Horry County, SC

PROJECT MANAGER

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PROJECT DESCRIPTION AND LOCATION

Marine Forces Reserve, located in New Orleans, LA, is the Headquarters command for all Marine Reservists and Reserve units located throughout the US. The MARFORRES staff provides policy, guidance, direction, and support to 104,000 Reserve Marines. MARFORRES has engaged USACE Charleston District to provide the services below at approximately 120 Marine Corps Reserve Centers (MCRCs).

FACILITIES PROGRAM

Preventive Maintenance and Facilities Services (PM/FX)

Charleston District provides PM/FX services at 22 sites through four regional contracts. PM services maintain building systems, provide routine maintenance, and execute large-scale repairs as required (boilers, chillers, etc.). FX services include custodial, waste removal, grounds maintenance, pest control, and snow removal.

Intrusion Detection Systems (IDS)

Charleston District contracts IDS services to immediately warn of any unauthorized entry or attempted penetration of MCRC armories or secure data spaces. Alarm system integrity is also monitored. IDS services include installation, monitoring, inspection, repair, and testing of systems at 121 sites. IDS monitoring is performed around the clock.

ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAM

Vehicle Wash System

Charleston District provides contract support for the installation, maintenance, and repair of vehicle wash systems at MCRCs.

FACILITIES SUSTAINMENT, RESTORATION, AND MODERNIZATION (SRM)

Charleston District provides renovation and repairs to MCRCs throughout CONUS to include roofing, floor plan changes, HVAC systems, electrical, plumbing, flooring, finishes, etc.

STATUS

Contract awards for the FY24 program totaled \$42M.

The FY25 workload is consistent with prior years, with a slight increase and an emphasis on future planning. This additional planning will help MARFORRES better manage future workload. Anticipated contract awards for FY25 will total approximately \$45-50M.

FUTURE ACTIVITIES

Charleston District will continue to provide support to the MARFORRES Program on an annual basis, the scope of which will adjust as MARFORRES continues to transition additional tenant facilities to owned facilities, thus increasing the inventory of MCRCs and other facilities that are directly inspected, maintained, and repaired through established program initiatives. USACE Charleston District is preparing to advertise and award two new PM/FX contracts to support MFR HQ and NOSC sites in the northeast in FY25.

SPONSOR

Marine Forces Reserve

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Congressional District: Russell Fry (SC-07)

Appropriation: Operations & Maintenance

Business Line: Navigation (NAV)

AUTHORITY

River and Harbor Act of 1965 (P.L. 89-298)

LOCATION

The project is on the coast of South Carolina, in Georgetown County, about 13 miles southwest of the City of Myrtle Beach, SC.

DESCRIPTION

The project maintains 0.6 miles of entrance channel, 3 miles of inner channel, one turning basin, one deposition basin, and two stone jetties. In 2017, non-federal funding and a contributed funds agreement were used to place dredged sand from the channel on portions of Garden City Beach.

STATUS

As of March 2025 – Partial dredging of the Federal channel, funded with IIJA and DRSAA23, was completed in summer 2024. This work included beneficial use placement at Garden City Beach for coastal storm damage reduction and Huntington Beach State Park to protect the Murrells Inlet south jetty structure. The channel is not at design specification, and funds were requested in the FY25 workplan to complete further dredging.

SPONSOR

Georgetown County and the State of South Carolina (Parks, Recreation, and Tourism)

PROJECT MANAGER

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Project Fact Sheet Myrtle Beach, SC Horry and Georgetown Counties, SC P2#: 113069

Congressional District: Russell Fry (SC-07)

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Phase: Construction

Business Line: Coastal Storm Risk Management (CSRM)

AUTHORITY

Section 101 (a), Water Resources Development Act of 1990 (P.L. 101-640)

LOCATION

The project is along the coast of Horry County, South Carolina, and a small portion of adjacent Georgetown County, South Carolina.

DESCRIPTION

The project reduces the risk of coastal storm-induced damages to people and property along the Grand Strand. Project is cost-shared 65% federal and 35% non-federal and encompasses three separable reaches with different non-federal sponsors. During the 50-year period of analysis, there are five 8-year or 10-year periodic nourishments depending on the reach. The timing and amount of material depend on the performance of the project versus the frequency and severity of the storms impacting the area. The initial nourishment, constructed from 1996 to 1998, placed 6.4 million cubic yards of material at a cost of \$51.3 million over a total project reach of 25.4 miles. Due to coastal storms, the second periodic nourishment was predominately funded from Flood Control & Coastal Emergencies (FCCE) supplemental funding which did not require a cost share with the local sponsors. This work was accomplished from June 2017 to July 2019 and placed 3.6 million cubic yards of material at a cost of \$77M.

STATUS

As of March 2025 - In January 2023, the project received Flood Control and Coastal Emergency (FCCE) supplemental funding from the Disaster Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act of 2023 for emergency renourishment of the beaches damaged by Hurricane Ian. The construction contract was awarded December 12, 2024, and the Notice Proceed was issued February 28, 2025. Construction is expected to begin in June 2025 and be completed by September 2026, and will place 2 million cubic yards of beach-compatible material along 26 miles of coastline to restore the project to the full project profile, at a cost of \$72M.

SPONSORS

City of North Myrtle Beach, City of Myrtle Beach, and Horry County, SC

PROJECT MANAGER



of Engineers. Charleston District Program Fact Sheet National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA)

PROJECT DESCRIPTION AND LOCATION

The Headquarters of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) is in Washington, DC. The mission of NASA is to be America's civil space program and the global leader in space exploration. The agency's organization comprises a diverse workforce of just under 18,000 civil servants, and works with many more U.S. contractors, academia, and international and commercial partners to explore, discover, and expand knowledge for the benefit of humanity. Currently, USACE Charleston District is working with NASA partners at both Michoud Assembly Facility (MAF), NOLA (a facility that is a part of Marshall Space Flight Center in Huntsville, AL) and Stennis Space Center (SSC), Stennis, MS to repair a variety of storm damaged roofs.

STATUS

In FY23, Charleston District awarded 2 contracts (with mods) for Michoud Assembly Facility (MAF) Ancillary Support Building 220, 320 and 420 Roofs at a total cost of \$9.29M.

In FY-24, Charleston District awarded 1 contract (with mods) for Stennis Space Center (SSC) for 10 Misc. Roofs at a total cost of over \$8.82M.

FUTURE ACTIVITIES

Charleston District will continue to provide support NASA as requested; however, the workload beyond current contract awards is uncertain.

SPONSOR

National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA)

PROJECT MANAGER

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Charleston District

Congressional District(s): Nancy Mace (SC-01), Joe Wilson (SC-02), Sheri Biggs (SC-03), William Timmons (SC-04), Ralph Norman (SC-05), James Clyburn (SC-06), Russell Fry (SC-07)

Appropriation: Investigations

AUTHORITY

Section 22, Water Resources Act of 1974 (P.L. 93-251), as amended.

DESCRIPTION

This program permits us to use our technical planning expertise to supplement and support state and Indian tribe efforts to undertake broad, statewide, comprehensive water resources planning. PAS studies are cost shared 50% Federal and 50% local. The non-federal share may be provided as cash or a mix of cash and in-kind services or 100% work in-kind. Typical problems and opportunities studies under this program are related to flood damage reduction, water supply, water conservation, water quality, hydropower, erosion, navigation, and related environmental resources.

STATUS

As of March 2025 – Coordination efforts are ongoing to manage the program.

SPONSOR

N/A

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Congressional District: Russell Fry (SC-07)

Construction

Phase: Construction

Business Line: Coastal Storm Risk Management (CSRM)

AUTHORITY

Section 1001, Water Resource Development Act of 2007 (P.L. 110-114)

LOCATION

This Coastal Storm Risk Management (CSRM) project is located on Pawleys Island, which is a 3.5-mile-long barrier island located approximately 22 miles southwest of Myrtle Beach and 13 miles northeast of Georgetown, South Carolina.

DESCRIPTION

The authorized federal project consists of a 6,800-foot-long protective sand berm, with two 350foot tapers (7,500 feet total) along 1.4 miles of the southern reach of the island to reduce storm damages. The project calls for periodic nourishment over 50-years, accomplished via four 9year renourishment intervals and one 5-year renourishment interval, will optimize net benefits over the 50-year period of analysis. The federal project also includes installation of sand fencing and dune vegetation. The Chief's Report was approved in December 2006.

With declared disaster events from 2014-2017, the Pawleys Island CSRM Project was selected for Bipartisan Budget Act of 2018 (BBA18) funding to construct the federal project. The Town of Pawleys Island signed a Memorandum of Understanding with the USACE Charleston District in August 2019 and executed a Project Partnership Agreement in January 2020 to construct a portion of the federal project. In June 2022, USACE determined the Town's project fulfilled the requirements for initial construction of the federal project and the federal Pawleys Island CSRM Project was transferred to the NFS in August 2022. A construction contract for the sand fencing and dune vegetation was completed April 2023 with BBA18 funding.

STATUS

As of March 2025 – In late September 2022, Hurricane Ian impacted Pawleys Island. The NFS submitted a request for federal assistance to rehabilitate the Pawleys Island CSRM Project under P.L. 84-99, Flood Control and Coastal Emergencies (FCCE). Rehabilitation assistance was approved, and ~\$8.4M in Disaster Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act of 2023 funding was allocated in May 2023. Engineering and design activities are currently underway. Award of a construction contract for beach rehabilitation is not expected until FY2026, once the sponsor obtains all real estate easements. Three property owners have refused to sign easements, which are required for project construction.

SPONSORS

Town of Pawleys Island

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Project Fact Sheet Polk Swamp (Section 206 CAP) Dorchester County, SC P2#: 402953

Congressional District: James Clyburn (SC-06)

Appropriation:	Construction
Phase:	Design and Implementation
Business Line:	Aquatic Ecosystem Restoration (CAP Section 206)

AUTHORITY

Section 206, Water Resources Development Act of 1996, as amended

LOCATION

Polk Swamp is located west of the Town of St. George, Dorchester County, SC. St. George is located approximately 50 miles northwest of Charleston, SC.

DESCRIPTION

The project is in Dorchester County. The purpose of the project is Aquatic Ecosystem Restoration and is intended to restore the historical channel and flow regimes to restore the natural aquatic ecosystem. Degradation of the natural aquatic ecosystem in Polk Swamp is characterized by loss of bottomland hardwood trees, defined stream channels, tree canopy (which provide shade and contribute to diversity of habitat types), an explosion of invasive aquatic species, persistent flooding of areas that were only occasionally inundated in the past, and a significant increase in stagnant water during non-flood periods.

STATUS

As of March 2025 – The Sponsor has submitted all real estate documentation for USACE review and approval and real estate easements are anticipated to complete in mid-2025. Construction is anticipated to begin in late 2025 and complete in 2027.

SPONSOR

Dorchester County

PROJECT MANAGER

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US Army Corps of Engineers Charleston District

Congressional District(s): Nancy Mace (SC-01)

Appropriation: Investigations

Business Line: Navigation (NAV)

AUTHORITY

Section 216 of Flood Control Act of 1970 (Review of Completed Works)

LOCATION

Port Royal Island is located south of Beaufort Island and north of Parris Island, about five miles north of Hilton Head, SC.

DESCRIPTION

Authorized in 1954, the Port Royal Harbor Navigation Project provided a 27-foot-deep channel at mean low water, 500 feet wide across the ocean bar and into Port Royal Sound for approximately 13.2 miles and then 24 feet deep and 300 feet wide in Beaufort River and Battery Creek, extending an additional 7.5 miles, to include a turning basin 27 feet deep and 600 feet wide opposite the wharf of the former South Carolina Ports Authority complex. The inner channel and turning basin were completed in 1956 and the entrance channel was completed in 1959, providing access for break bulk commodities including cement, clay, slurry, feldspar and aggregate, estimated at 517,000 tons annually.

STATUS

As of March 2025 – The Charleston District has coordinated with military and civilian stakeholders to assess current use and economic benefits. The draft report recommended deauthorization. The final report is currently at ASA(CW) for review. Deauthorization requires Congressional action.

SPONSOR

N/A

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Program Fact Sheet Support to Veterans Affairs (VA)

PROJECT DESCRIPTION AND LOCATION

In September 2007, USACE and the VA executed an MOA to provide support to the VA for workload in 3 primary VHA Program areas: Emergency Supplemental (ES) Program, Non-Recurring Maintenance (NRM) Program, and Minor Construction Program. Charleston District provides support to the VA within their Veterans Integrated Support Network (VISN) 7 region, to execute assigned design, vertical construction, and renovation projects in each of the 3 Program areas. Projects supported are located at 4 VA Medical Centers: Charleston, SC; Columbia, SC; Augusta, GA; and Dublin, GA. Charleston District's support to VISN 7 is coordinated through the Capital Asset Management Support office at their VISN 7 office located in Tuscaloosa, AL. In March 2011, a new IAA was executed between the VA and USACE, restructuring the program support requirements and establishing an extendable working relationship through March 2016. In July 2015, USACE and the VA executed an updated IAA, establishing an additional extendable working relationship through June 2020 which was again modified extending the relationship through June 2028, principally for support to the VA's Major Construction Program, with continued support to the Minor Construction and Non-Recurring Maintenance (NRM) Programs and other assigned support areas.

In 2014, USACE and the National Cemetery Administration (NCA) executed an IAA, effective through 2018, to procure architectural and engineering management, construction management services, acquisition services, and related work. Through this IAA, Charleston District was assigned the Phase 2 Cemetery Expansion project at the Fort Jackson National Cemetery, for which design, acquisition, and construction services were provided to expand the existing cemetery capacity into the Phase 2 site layout areas depicted in the approved 2009 Cemetery Master Plan. In Feb 2019, a new IAA was executed between USACE and the NCA that extended USACE support until Feb 2024.

STATUS

As of 1 March 2024: Charleston District has completed 34 projects for the VA, totaling \$66.3M, 26 of which involved vertical construction of new facilities, renovation of existing facilities and installation of system upgrades at each of the 4 VA Medical Centers (VAMC) supported by the District. The remaining 8 projects supported development of design packages that were used by the VA to support future facility improvements or system upgrades

Currently, Charleston District is working with VA Charleston to award a \$13.5M DB contract to construct a VA Clinic and on agreements to build a \$25M Dental Clinic in Myrtle Beach on the site of a closed clinic as well as a \$20M Pump Station on the downtown site. Charleston district is also completing a \$13M Parking Deck and \$14M Rehab Clinic at VA Columbia

FUTURE ACTIVITIES

In FY25 and out years, Charleston District will continue to routinely coordinate with the VISN 7 CAM on the projects listed above that are underway as well as for projected work within the Non- Recurring Maintenance (NRM) and Minor Construction Programs that may be assigned to the District to execute as well as Major Construction projects pending approval for Charleston and Columbia. Charleston District Contracting successfully awarded the Service-Disabled Veteran Owned Small Business (SDVOSB) DB Multiple Award Task Order Contract (MATOC)

in Jul 23 to provide the VA with a responsive tool that will be able to rapidly award DB contracts. In addition, Charleston District Contracting is working on a Architectural Engineer (AE) Indefinite Delivery Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) contract that will include at least one SDVOSB AE to provide another responsive tool that will be able to rapidly award design contracts. Charleston District has access to a full range of engineering, procurement, construction, administrative, and advisory staff that are available and strategically positioned to support the VA in their efforts to execute their respective programs. Charleston District also has the capability and experience to provide support to other VA VISNs and other VA programs as needed for VA design and construction workload.

A March 2022 Department of Veteran Affairs Asset and Infrastructure Review Commission Report indicates significant growth in veteran population by 2029 driving a large construction program for the VISN including 3 possible Major construction projects in South Carolina.

SPONSOR

Department of Veterans Affairs

PROJECT MANAGER

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Congressional District(s): Russell Fry (SC-07)

Appropriation:	Investigations
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Phase: Feasibility

Business Line: Flood Risk Management (FRM)

AUTHORITY

Section 445 of WRDA 1999 (P.L. 106-53) and Section 216 of the Flood Control Act of 1970 (P.L. 91-611)

LOCATION

The Waccamaw River Basin is in the northeast corner of South Carolina and the southeast corner of North Carolina. The Waccamaw River begins in Columbus County, NC, and flows 140 miles southwest through South Carolina, roughly paralleling the coast of the Atlantic Ocean. It is joined by the AIWW and the Great Pee Dee in Horry County, SC before reaching the tidal Winyah Bay in Georgetown County, SC. Portions of the river and its tributaries in Horry County are aligned by dense population, while others are surrounded by vast protected and agricultural lands.

DESCRIPTION

Horry County has experienced several flood events of the Waccamaw River since 2015, including those from Hurricanes Joaquin (2015), Matthew (2016), and Florence (2018). The tidal influence, relatively flat topography, and low elevation result in slow draining when flood events occur. Flooding in the Waccamaw River also occurs from the Pee Dee River backflowing into the Waccamaw River and its tributaries. This Flood Risk Management feasibility study evaluates the cost and benefits of alternatives to reduce risks of riverine flooding and potential storm surge impacts to communities and transportation routes within Horry County. A 1981 Corps reconnaissance report did not identify a solution that was in the federal interest. Since then, the population of the area has grown, along with the potential for increased rainfall from significant storm events. The current study considers a range of options including structural and non-structural management measures, and nature-based features. Due to the large study area and complex hydrology of the basin, the study will cost \$3,900,000, which is being cost shared 50/50 with Horry County, the Non-Federal Sponsor (NFS). The study began in August 2022, and will take four years to complete.

STATUS

As of March 2025 – The study team has identified the communities of Bucksport, Conway, Socastee, and Longs/Red Bluff as primary focus areas of the study, based on past flood events. The team developed a new hydrological model of the Waccamaw River Basin to better understand the nature of flooding and identify flood reduction alternatives. A Tentatively Selected Plan to reduce flood risk was identified for the Conway and Socastee focus areas, and was summarized in a Draft Feasibility Report and Environmental Assessment in July 2024. The plan is currently being refined and will be the Recommended Plan submitted to the USACE Chief of Engineers in 2026 for approval. The Chief's Report, which identifies the viability, cost, and economic benefit of a flood reduction project for the study area, is projected for August 2026 and upon review by Congress, would be eligible for congressional authorization in the next Water Resources Development Act (WRDA) or other authorizing legislation.

To date, the study has received \$1,400,000 in federal appropriations from FY22-FY24, matched by the NFS for a total of \$2,800,000. An additional \$550,000 of federal funding is expected in FY25 appropriations which combined with the NFS share will reach a cumulative total of \$3.9M and complete the study.

SPONSOR

Horry County, SC

PROJECT MANAGER

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