### Lesson 4

## Appropriations

### **Appropriations**

- Appropriation Titles and Structure
- Budget Authority and Outlays
- Continuing Resolutions
- Supplemental Appropriations

### General Investigations

- Studies and PED
  - Preauthorization, Basin, and Special Studies
  - Preconstruction Engineering and Design (PED)
  - Review Studies
- Cooperation with Others
- Collection and Study of Basic Data
  - Includes FPMS
- Research and Development
- FY08 Appropriations: \$168 million
- FY09 Budget: \$91 million

### Construction, General

- For Specifically Authorized Projects
  - Engineering and Design
  - Land Acquisition
  - Construction
  - Dam Safety Assurance
  - Major Rehabilitation
- Continuing Authorities Construction Programs
- Project Modifications for Improvement of Environment
- Aquatic Plant Control
- Employee Compensation
- **► FY 08 Appropriation: \$2.3 billion**
- FY09 Budget: \$1.4 billion (CG/OM difference)

### Operation and Maintenance, General

- Project Operation and Maintenance
- Special Recreation Use Fees
- Protection of Navigation
  - Clearing and Straightening of Channels
  - Removal of Obstructions to Navigation
  - Surveillance of Northern Boundary Waters
- National Emergency Preparedness Program
- Recreation Facilities at Completed Projects
- Waterborne Commerce Statistics
- **▶ FY 08 Appropriation: \$2.2 billion**
- FY09 Budget: \$2.5 billion (CG/OM difference)

## Flood Control, Mississippi River & Tributaries

- General Investigations
  - Studies
  - PED
  - Collection & Study of Basic Data
- Construction
- Dam Safety Assurance
- Major Rehabilitation
- Maintenance
- **▶ FY 08 Appropriation: \$387 million**
- **▶ FY09 Budget: 240 million**

### General Expenses

- Executive Direction and Management
  - HQUSACE
  - Division Offices
- Coastal Engineering Research Board
- Humphreys Engineering Center Support Activity (Civil Works Portion)
- Institute for Water Resources
- FY08 Appropriation: \$175 million
- **▶ FY09 Budget: \$177 million**

### Flood Control and Coastal Emergencies

(Work Authorized by PL 84-99)

- Disaster Preparedness
- Emergency Operations
- Repair of Flood Control and Federal Hurricane or Shore Protection Works
- Emergency Drinking Water Supply
  - Where Contaminated or in Drought Areas

### Revolving Fund

- Plant Replacement and Improvement Program (PRIP) for Acquisition of Non-Project-Specific Equipment
  - Structures at WES and Other Corps Labs
  - Office Buildings
  - Dredges and Other Floating Plant
  - Automated Information Systems (AIS)
- Financial Clearing House
  - Initially, Finance All C.E. Civil Works Payrolls,
    Overhead, and Other Transactions
  - Used Similar to Checking Account

# Formerly Utilized Sites Remedial Action Program (FUSRAP)

- Transferred from Department of Energy in FY 98 Energy and
  Water Development Appropriations Act
- Created in 1970's to address radiological contamination at sites used for atomic energy research and development
- Cleanup work by Corps at sites in Northeast and Midwest
- **► FY 08 Appropriation: \$140 million**
- FY 09 Budget: \$130 million

### **Permanent Appropriations**

### Appropriations are Based on Fee or Tax Revenues Derived and Applied as Follows:

- Hydraulic Mining in California
  - Funds Used to Administrator Program for Debris Basin Maintenance
- Maintenance and Operation of Dams
  - FERC License Fees used for O&M of Federal
    Dams
- Payments to States
  - 75% of Revenues From Leases of Project Lands Returned to State

#### Trust Funds

- Inland Waterways Trust Fund (IWTF)
- **Harbor Maintenance Trust Fund (HMTF)** 
  - Appropriated by Congress
  - Retained at Treasury
  - Treasury Reimburses Corps for Outlays

Coastal Wetlands Restoration Trust Fund (also a Permanent Appropriation)

Oil Spill Liability Trust Fund

# Budget Authority, Budget Outlays, and Appropriations

- Budget Authority is Authority to Obligate
- Budget Outlays are Payments Made
- Appropriations Confer Budget Authority

### **Budget Authority**

### Read Act Language Carefully

This language confers budget authority:

"...That the following sums are appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated..."

This language does not:

"...There is authorized to be appropriated..."

### **Continuing Appropriations**

- Joint Resolution from Both House and Senate
- Must be Approved by the President
- Provide Temporary New Obligation Authority at the Beginning of the Fiscal Year Prior to Passage of the Appropriations Act
- No Apportionment of Funds from OMB Required Unless Limitation Intended by OMB
- No Activities that were not Funded in Prior Year
- May Be Limited to More Restrictive of President's Budget, or House or Senate Amount

### **Supplemental Appropriations**

### For Unexpected, Urgent National Requirements

- Emergencies, e.g., Disasters, Wars, Shortfalls
- Employment, e.g., a "Jobs Bill" to Combat Nationwide Unemployment (Economic Stimulus)
- Changes in Law, e.g., Pay Raises, Reorganizations
- Timing
  - Usually After Mid-Point of Current Year
  - May Be Proposed at any Time