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US Army Corps of Engineers®

Value to the Nation Fast Facts

- The Army Corps of Engineers in perspective:**
The nation's investment in the Army Corps of Engineers produces a 26 percent annual rate of return and has contributed over \$30 billion in tax revenues and savings to the Treasury. The Corps provides these services:
- A sustainable approach to the planning, design, construction management and operation of water resources projects
 - A regulatory program for America's waters and wetlands that weighs and balances economic and environmental needs
 - Cost-effective design, construction management and real estate for the Army, Air Force and other Defense and Federal agencies
 - Environmental restoration at current and former military installations and other locations
 - Research and development for military and civil applications
 - Emergency response capability for natural and man-made disasters
 - The capability to transition and dedicate resources to a wartime setting quickly and effectively

- Recent Strategic Achievements:**
- Sent emergency task forces to Iraq to rehabilitate the oil infrastructure, restore electrical power production, destroy captured enemy ammunition, and repair other public utilities and services.
 - Contributed to America's national economy. Every \$1 billion invested in Civil Works has led to the creation of 40,000 jobs.
 - Enabled 2.4 billion tons of commerce to move on navigable waterways. U.S. Department of Transportation estimates that cargo movements have created jobs for 13 million people.
 - Protected lives and property by preventing \$22.8 billion in flood damages on an average annual basis.
 - Americans visit Corps lakes 400 million times each year for outdoor recreation. Their expenditures totaled \$15 billion and created 500,000 jobs.
 - Dedicated 15-20 percent of its resources to environmental protection and restoration, including the nation's largest-ever undertaking, the Everglades restoration.

- The Army Corps of Engineers manages:**
- 456 lake and river projects with recreation
 - 400 miles of coastal structures
 - 12 million acres of lands and waters
 - 900 harbors
 - 275 locks
 - 12,000 miles of inland waterways
 - 8,500 miles of levees
 - 600 dams
 - 8,800 stream or environmental gauging stations

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