US Army Corps of Engineers

New England District

About Us

The North Atlantic Division

The North Atlantic Division, headquartered at Fort Hamilton in Brooklyn, New York, is one of eight supervisory field offices reporting to Corps headquarters in Washington, D.C.

It encompasses all or part of 14 states from Maine to Virginia, including the District of Columbia, totaling 180,000 square miles (about five percent of the land area of the United States) and spanning nine time zones. With six operational districts in New England, New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore, Norfolk and Wiesbaden, Germany, the division employs more than 3,900 civilian professionals and 40 military personnel worldwide.

As an engineering and project management organization, the organization plans, designs, builds, operates and maintains projects to support the military, protect America's water resources, and restore and enhance the environment. The work includes a variety of engineering and construction for international, federal, state, and local governments and agencies.

From constructing fortifications in the early days of the new nation, to playing a significant role in the development of the first atomic bomb during World War II and Cold War facilities such as ballistic missile systems, to building air bases in Israel as part of the Camp David accords, the North Atlantic Division has a long and distinguished record of service.

The division provides military program support, including real estate, engineering and construction management to 38 major Army and 14 major Air Force installations in the United States, as well as to military installations in Greenland and Europe. These projects improve living conditions and readiness for the Army and Air Force in the northeastern United States, Europe, Israel, Africa and Greenland. This includes 50 Army installations – 36 percent of all installations worldwide.

Its civil works mission includes navigation, hurricane protection, beach erosion control, flood control, environmental restoration and other water projects in numerous river basins, including, in addition to those in New England, the Hudson, Delaware, Susquehanna, Potomac and James. It manages four major canals, four major navigation locks and 12 major bridges. It is



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also responsible for supplying water to the nation's capitol through the Washington Aqueduct.

In the Regulatory arena, the division protects thousands of miles of coastal and inland shorelines and countless acres of wetlands, both small and large, processing nearly 15,000 applications each year.

Environmental restoration is also accomplished for both the military (through the Defense Environmental Restoration Program) and for the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (through the Superfund Program). The Division's environmental restoration program is \$300 million.

A major mission is the 2005 Base Realignment and Closure program—more than \$7 billion of construction to help prepare for future national security needs. Most of the work is at Fort Belvoir, Virginia.

Recovery from natural disasters is delegated to the Corps under a variety of laws, and work is also assigned by the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

The North Atlantic Division is the National Planning Center of Expertise for Coastal Storm Damage Reduction services, working to protect the public from flooding anywhere in the country.

