



# US Army Corps of Engineers

Institute for Water Resources

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## Products of Watershed Studies and Assessments (2011)

**Status:** Completed

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**Purpose:** To identify a sample of CW Program funded watershed studies and assessments of different scopes and scales across the Nation and describe the products produced by or anticipated from these efforts.

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**Objective:** The Corps has undertaken a number of watershed planning and assessment initiatives through different authorizations. Corps policy and guidance identifying the priorities and emphasis for these studies has evolved over the last few years. Information about products from completed and ongoing watershed studies and assessments will be useful in assessing CW program experiences to date, as well as provide information for strategic program development, performance reporting, and guidance development. Information about the breadth of assistance stakeholders are seeking from the Corps through watershed studies and assessments is also useful in shaping program direction and priorities.

Coordination with the HQUSACE proponents and staff will help identify appropriate forums and venues for sharing the findings of the analysis of this project.

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**Benefits:** The product of this effort will inform both HQUSACE and field staff about watershed studies to inform future studies, plans, guidance and policy and program development.

The product will be made available on the IWR website, with links to the Planning CoP and Gateway websites for availability to HQUSACE and the field.

The study team will also seek input from the field on improved ways for communicating watershed experiences and lessons.

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**Progress:** Through conference calls with NAB, NWK, and POH we have tested and revised our approach and format for developing and presenting information on watershed study products. Draft products developed for each. Based on these discussions, our population of sample projects was expanded beyond Sec 729 studies to include watershed assessments and studies undertaken through other authorities and funding mechanisms. Have contacted HQUSACE to discuss approach; have been unable to set a date. Based on discussions on March CW Environmental chiefs call, no similar effort has been undertaken, helping to assure our effort is not duplicative.

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