

Global Peace Operations Initiative

The Alaska District is assisting with this initiative by managing construction projects that provide infrastructure to support the training of host-nation peacekeeping forces in Mongolia and Bangladesh.

Humanitarian Assistance

Humanitarian assistance projects executed on behalf of the Pacific Command and State Department include design and construction of schools, medical clinics and emergency shelters for many countries across the Asian-Pacific region.

U.S. Agency for International Development

The Alaska District is assisting this agency by managing construction of multipurpose cyclone shelters in Bangladesh.

Services

Contracting

Contracting Division’s mission is to provide contracting services of the highest quality to the district’s customers on a timely and cost-effective basis, while maintaining the public’s trust and fulfilling public policy objectives. As an integral member of project delivery teams, the district serves as the catalyst in advancing effective acquisition planning, strategies, and innovative practices.

Small Business

The Alaska District fully supports the federal government’s policy to preserve the nation’s free competitive enterprise, and to ensure that a fair proportion of the purchases and contracts for property and services for the government be placed with small business enterprises. The Office of Small Business Program’s mission is to sustain the Corps of Engineers as a premier organization in developing small businesses and maximizing their opportunities to participate in our work, thereby ensuring a strong economic base for our nation.

Emergency Management

The Emergency Management Office provides quality and responsive disaster assistance in civil emergencies throughout the United States and support for military contingency response around the world.

Real Estate

The Real Estate Branch provides real estate services to the military in Alaska and provides real estate support to the nation in times of need, disaster and/or military contingencies. The district’s services to the military include appraisals, land acquisition for permanent or temporary use, lease acquisition for the military’s housing program, and management and disposal of property

under military control. The district serves as executive agent for the Department of Defense Recruiting Program. It also acquires the necessary interest for the Defense Environmental Restoration Program/Formerly Used Defense Sites (DERP/FUDS) program.

In addition to Real Estate’s service to the military, it performs all real estate activities for acquisition of property for Civil Works projects and acquisition of real property interests for other federal agencies. The Real Estate Division administers the Uniform Relocation Assistance Program and processes real estate claims under the Permanent Change of Station (PCS) program.

Regulatory

The Regulatory Division plays a large role in Alaska’s development. The district regulates the discharge of fill material in waters and wetlands under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act and all work in navigable waters under Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899. Wetlands cover nearly half of Alaska, more than 170 million acres.

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Overview

Mission

The Alaska District provides a full range of quality engineering, construction support, science and technical services in support of peacetime and contingency operations in Alaska, the Pacific Region and the world.

Since its establishment in 1946, more than a decade before statehood, the Alaska District has served as the nation's leader in arctic engineering and construction to forge an influential role in the development of the "Last Frontier."

Safety First

Safety is the core of the Alaska District's operations. The district conducts a comprehensive program for work force safety and to assist construction crews in exceeding Corps safety standards.

The Alaska District is a multi-year winner of the Chief of Engineers Safety Award and annually recognizes contractor achievements at its Celebrate Safety Award Ceremony.

ISO Certification

The Alaska District has been ISO 9001:2008 certified since 2004. All of the district's projects are designed and constructed to meet technical international industry standards set up by the International Organization for Standardization.

Full Capability

The Alaska District has four major programs consisting of military construction, civil works, environmental cleanup/restoration, and interagency and international services. The district also has significant programs in contracting, operations and maintenance, and real estate. Furthermore, the district regulates activities in waters and wetlands under authority of the Clean Water Act, and Rivers and Harbors Act.

The Alaska District programs are highly visible in the military and local communities and are deep-seated in Alaskan history. As the experts in arctic engineering, the district applies extensive cold regions expertise enhanced by a partnership with the Engineering Research Development Center's Cold Regions Research and Engineering Laboratory.

The district's professionals assist and collaborate with military, federal, state, local and native entities with planning, engineering studies, design, environmental science studies, construction, contracting, real estate, emergency operations, and regulatory projects and services. The district supports Overseas Contingency Operations and the nation's disaster response.

Programs

Military

Alaska District is the primary design and construction agent for the Army and the Air Force in Alaska. The facilities that the district builds support U.S. soldiers and airmen by improving their quality of life and furthering their mission readiness. Many of the district's projects are technically challenging as they incorporate the latest state-of-the-art features in materials, and electronic and utility systems.

The Alaska District's projects support an evolving military strategy. Alaska has the strategic advantage of being equidistant to all of the active areas in Europe, Asia and the Pacific Theater.

Civil Works

Civil Works program managers work with the state, boroughs, local communities, other federal agencies, tribal entities and non-government organizations across Alaska to design and build new harbors, expand existing harbors, provide flood risk management and erosion protection, and restore damaged environmental habitat.

The Alaska District also conducts maintenance dredging in support of Alaska's commerce. The district maintains navigation channels at several other communities. Engineers annually inspect flood and erosion mitigation projects, which were built by the federal government but are maintained by local governments. The district is constructing several environmental protection and restoration projects in partnership with city and borough governments. The district can help communities protect their public infrastructure with erosion mitigation and flood risk management projects.

The district's largest civil works project is the Chena River Lakes Flood Control Project, which protects Fairbanks and Fort Wainwright from devastating floods. The project is the Corps of Engineers' northernmost flood risk management dam and recreation facility in the nation.

The Tribal Partnership Program allows cost-shared studies to be performed for tribal entities. Initial funding under this authority is allowing the district to initiate a review of erosion and flood risk management needs, and to evaluate requirements and conduct the planning for potential relocation of native villages that are threatened by nature's forces.

The Planning Assistance to States Program allows the district to provide technical assistance to the state, tribes and communities with water resource-related planning at a cost-shared basis.

Using Interagency and International Services authorities, the district provides design and construction management support to other federal agencies in their quest to provide needed infrastructure.

Environmental

Army and Air Force

The district manages projects under the Army Environmental Program, the Air Force Environmental Program, and the Interagency and International Services cleanup programs.

Formerly Used Defense Sites

The Department of Defense is responsible for environmental restoration of properties that were formerly owned by, leased to or otherwise possessed by the United States and under the jurisdiction of the Secretary of Defense. This program performs environmental restoration of sites contaminated with hazardous, toxic or radioactive waste and/or ordnance from past military activities.

Native American Lands Environmental Mitigation Program

The district manages this program for the state. Under NA-LEMP, the district enters into cooperative agreements with federally-recognized tribes that have been impacted by military activity. Working with the tribes instead of contractors, the district helps the tribe take control of the impacts and complete the mitigation using tribal resources and federal funding.

Support for Others

With this program, the district has executed environmental projects throughout Alaska for the Bureau of Land Management, Coast Guard, Department of Energy, Department of Interior, Environmental Protection Agency and Federal Aviation Administration.

Interagency and International

Under this program, the district provides engineering, construction, environmental remediation and other technical services to non-Department of Defense federal agencies, state and local governments, international organizations and foreign governments.

Denali Commission

Studies, designs and construction projects executed collaboratively with the Denali Commission are focused on improving transportation infrastructure and quality of life in rural Alaska. Under this program, the district designed and installed mooring points at key coastal and riverine communities.

Foreign Military Sales

The Alaska District's current role in this program is in the design and construction of C-17 aircraft beddown infrastructure facilities for the Indian Air Force.