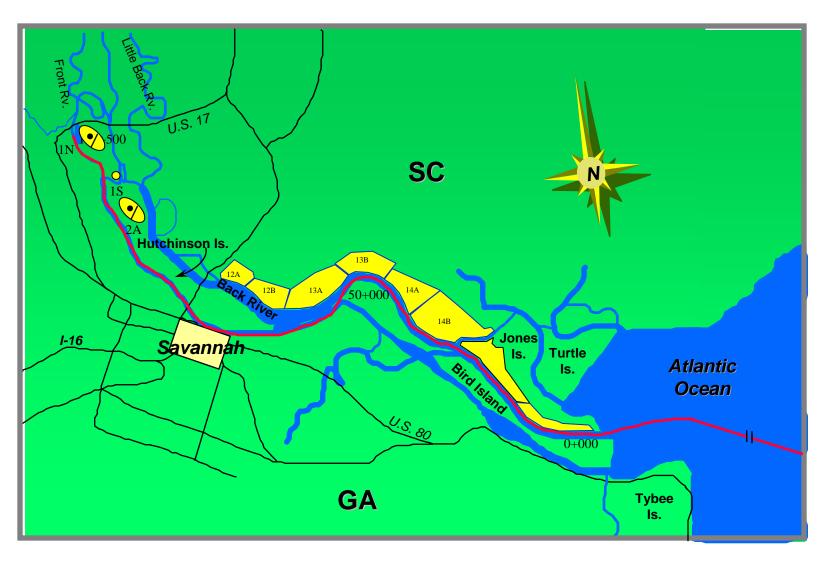
# Regional Perspective



- FY08 Omnibus Bill:
  - Provides for the continuation of studies and projects that have a high anticipated return on the investment such as:
    - Savannah Harbor Expansion GRR and Tier II EIS (GI)
    - Tybee Island Channel Impact Study (GI)
    - Brunswick Harbor Deepening (CG)

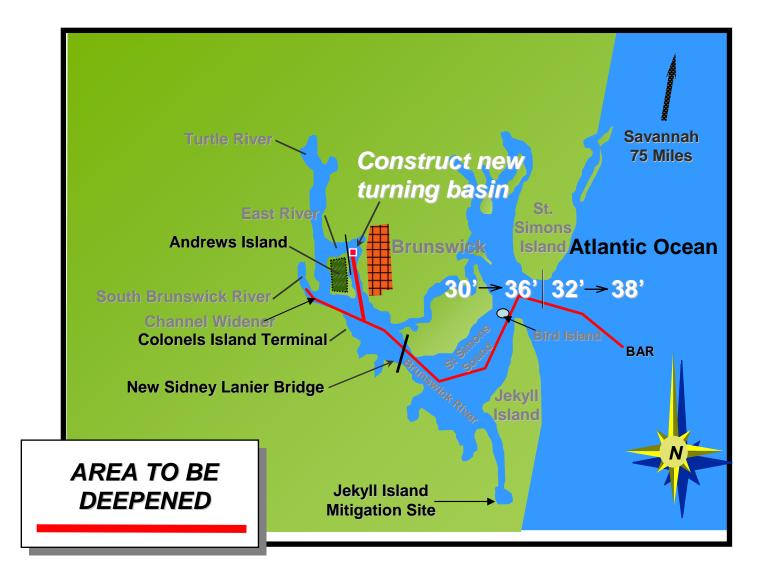


#### Savannah Harbor Expansion





#### Brunswick Harbor Deepening





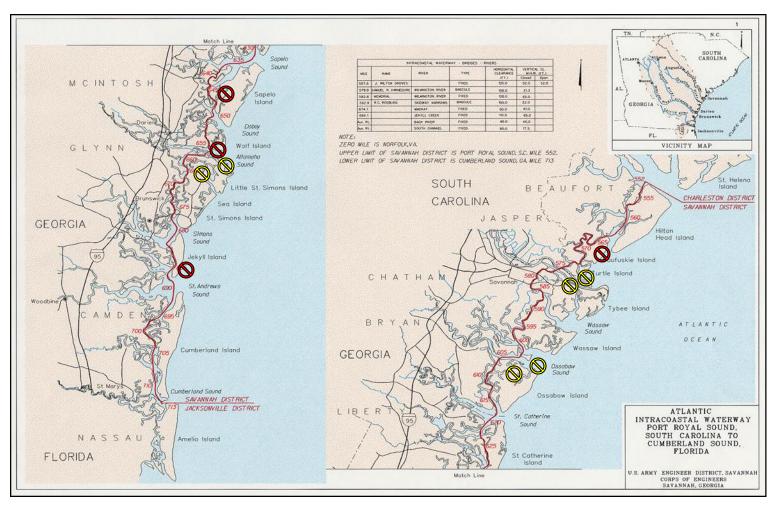
#### FY08 Omnibus Bill:

 However, the FY08 Budget for the O&M program calls for an 8% cut from the President's Budget Request, except for the low-use shallow draft Atlantic Intracoastal Water Way.

	President's Budget	FY08
<ul> <li>Savannah Harbor</li> </ul>	\$12,906k	\$11,939k
<ul> <li>Brunswick Harbor</li> </ul>	\$4,993k	\$4,619k
<ul><li>AIWW</li></ul>	\$257k	\$1,870k



# Atlantic Intracoastal Waterway



O Deficient areas w/o disposal placement site

Operation of the property o



- FY08 Omnibus Bill:
  - Also, the Disposal Area capacity funds were partially funded (not to Capability):

FY08 Capability

\$6,400k

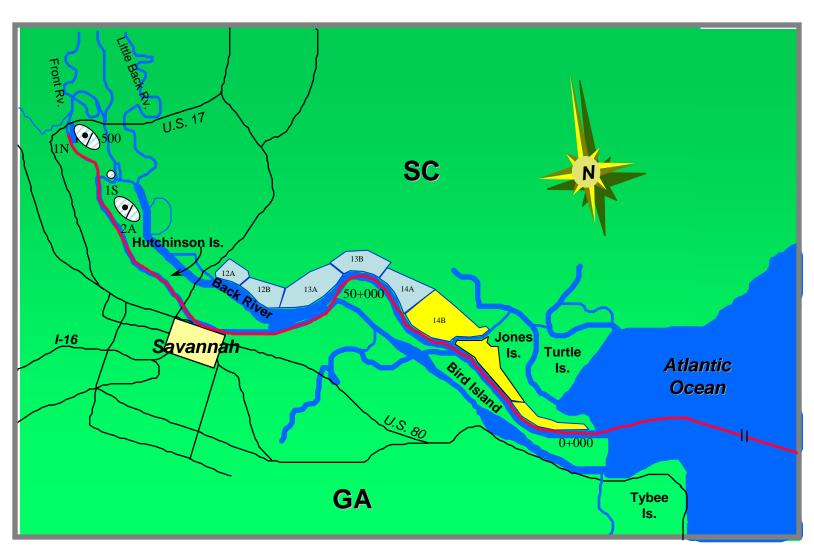
FY08 Funding

\$2,673k

 Three years of being partially funded for Dike Construction (CG/Cost-Shared) has led to an overall increase in O&M dredging costs.



#### Savannah Harbor Disposal Areas





- WRDA 96 Provisions:
  - The Cost-sharing of new Disposal Area Capacity
  - The adoption of the Operation and Maintenance responsibilities for areas that have been raised.
  - PCA executed 14 January 2005
  - As the disposal area is raised, the needs for O&M Navigation Funds also increases



- Coastal Zone Management Changes
  - State of Georgia received the approval for a "routine change" in NOAA's Coastal Zone Management Plan
  - The change calls for anyone who dredges in the coastal waters and removes the material from the littoral zone must replace that material either on-shore on near shore.
  - If the change in O&M practices cost more to perform, a local sponsor must be found to pay the difference.



#### Trends:

- Limited CW funds are going towards the completion of high priority studies and projects.
- No increases in the O&M program.
- Additional environmental requirements are driving up all costs
- Limited Dike Construction funds are driving up dredging costs.
- The desire for a new Jasper Terminal will also drive up costs. Who Pays?