

WRDA 2016



**Deauthorizations
& Backlog
Prevention**

**Water Supply and
Reservoirs**



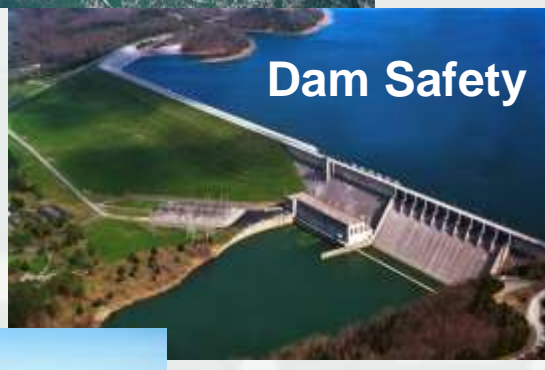
**Ecosystem
Restoration**



**Project
Development and
Delivery**



Dam Safety



Levee Safety

Navigation



CONTRACT
**Non-Federal
Implementation**



Credits



Water Resources Development Act, 2016

Highlights from Title I

- Return to a biennial cycle.
- 30 Chief's Reports for new authorizations and 8 Post Authorization Changes
- The first time that some projects and proposals will be authorized using Section 7001 of WRRDA 14.
- Modifications to Section 203, 204 of WRDA 1986 regarding the Corps' support to non-federal study efforts



Water Resources Development Act, 2016

Navigation

Provisions related to the Harbor Maintenance Trust Fund:

- Emerging harbors;
- Trust Fund authorization levels;
- Harbors of refuge;
- Donor ports and energy transfer ports;
- Cost sharing changes;
- Dredging by non-federal interests.



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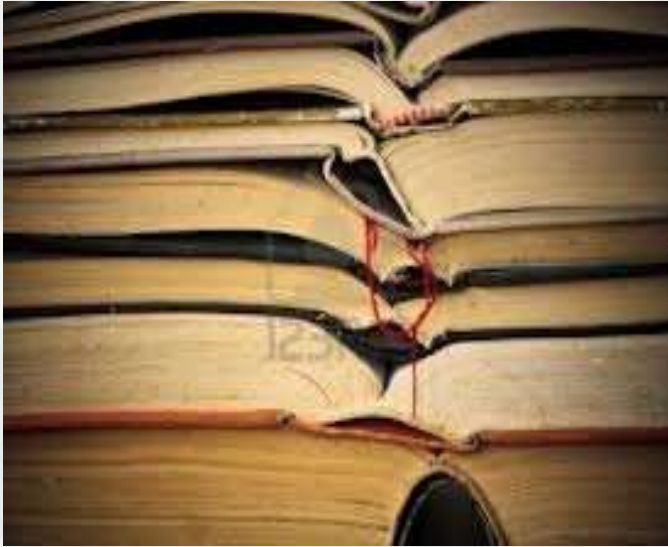
Navigation

Other navigation-related provisions:

- No Wake Zones provisions;
- Requirements on dredging, data transparency and beneficial use;
- Changes to remote and subsistence harbors;
- Variety of changes to regulatory and permitting requirements and processes.



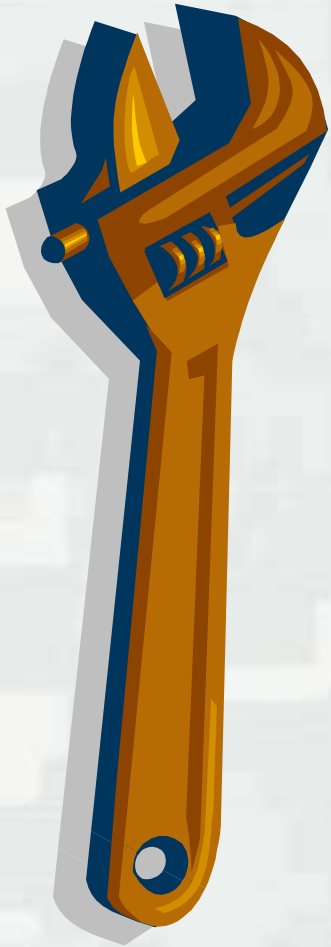
WRDA Implementation Guidance



- WRDA implementation guidance directs how the Corps will proceed under new law in light of current policies and procedures;
 - The guidance provides new policies and procedures where needed to implement the law.
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- Intent is to ensure nationally consistent application
 - Guidance is issued in the form of memoranda, EC's or ER's
 - As a matter of policy, not all provisions in law may be funded or implemented



WRDA Implementation Process



- The Planning and Policy Division at Headquarters USACE has the overall management lead and general policy oversight;
- Priorities are established for implementation, with unfunded provisions typically being considered lower priority;
- SME's identified for drafting implementation guidance. SME's, in coordination with appropriate functional elements, identify policy issues to be addressed by senior leadership before guidance can be finalized.



Considerations in Development of WRDA Guidance

- Internal and external feedback;
- Existing Civil Works policies and procedures;
- Past HQUSACE and/or ASA(CW) guidance;
- What the legislation says and what it does not say;
- Project purpose, history (including funding) and policy issues for project-specific provisions;

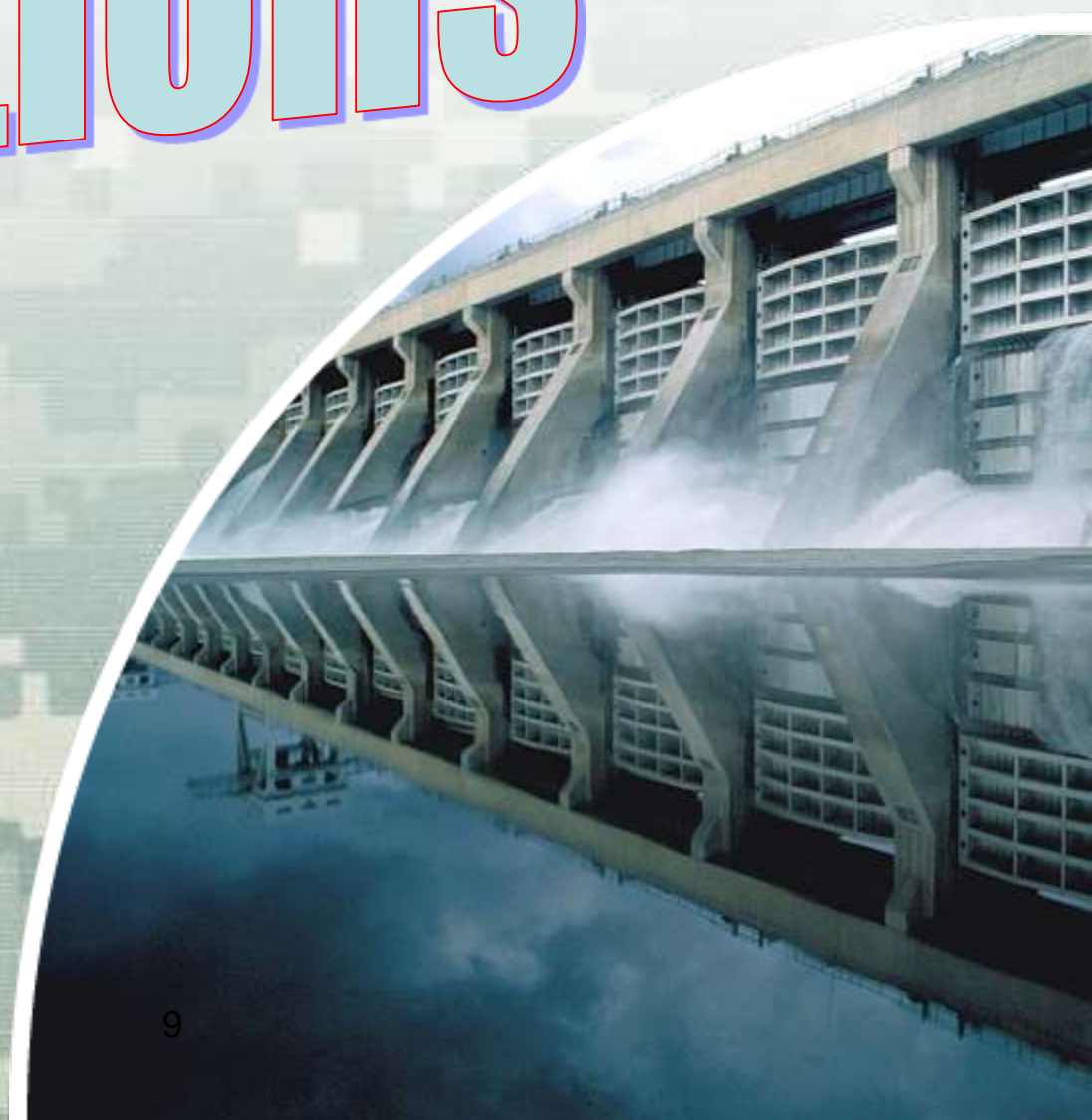


WRDA Implementation Process

- Implementation guidance is developed in coordination with the OASA(CW) as needed;
- Implementation guidance undergoes HQ policy and legal review to ensure appropriateness and consistency before it is provided to the ASA(CW) for concurrence;
- Implementation guidance is not final until approved by the ASA(CW);
- Final implementation guidance is made publicly available



Questions



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