WEDA Opening Remarks

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Navigation

Features

Ohio River System

- Year round navigation
- 56 active navigation projects, 88 chambers, average age is 58 yrs
- 2688 miles of channel
- 3 shallow draft harbors
- Operate & maintain 10 TVA locks
- \$103B commodities

Great Lakes System

- 10-12 month variable season
- 3 active navigation projects with 4 operating chambers, average age is 71 yrs.
- 734 miles of channels
- 66 deep draft harbors
- 80 shallow draft harbors
- 150 miles of breakwaters
- International commerce
- \$10.7B commodities



Ohio River Dredging



Ohio River Basin Dredging



- 74 locks and dams
- 78 USACE multipurpose reservoirs
- 31 TVA multipurpose reservoirs
- 97 local flood protection projects



Ohio River System Dredging



Great Lakes System Dredging Funding and Dredging Requirements



Great Lakes Dredging



$Backlog\,Growth\,Under\,Constrained\,Dredging\,Funding\,2013-2018$

Initiatives to optimize dredging efficiencies:

- Investigating the use of sediment traps
- Working with states on dredging windows flexibility
- ✓ Optimizing acquisition strategies
- Partnering with local sponsors to find beneficial use opportunities
- Reduce sediment load to harbors making use of 516 program developing land best management practices models
- Maximizing the efficiencies of regional dredging provisions – applying dredging dollars to highest needs in the year of execution



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Current Dredged Material Management Conditions



Current Dredged Material Placement Methods



Great Lakes System Dredging



Duluth-Superior Hbr 21st Ave. Pilot Project



Potential for three years placement of suitable dredged material

Pilot to demonstrate and monitor placement, dispersion, plant growth, etc.

Basis for pursuing similar sites of interest w/in the harbor



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Green Bay – Cat Islands



CHAIN RESTORATION PROJECT

FIGURE 10.1

OVERALL SITE PLAN

Funded by GLRI and E&W Provide for 2.35M cy of disposal capacity Provide significant reduction in M/D costs Restores over 1400 acres of habitat







Questions

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