Inland Marine Transportation System Capital Investment Strategy USACE Overview

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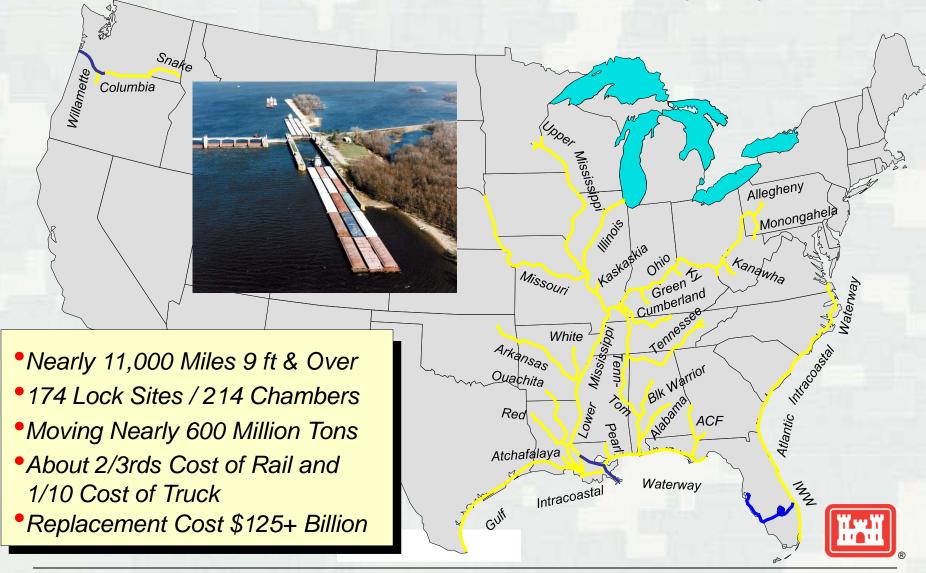


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Fuel-Taxed Inland Waterway System



Background

- Water Resources Development Act '86: Authorized Use of Inland Waterways Trust Fund (IWTF)
- Funds New Construction and Major Rehabilitations
- Fuel Tax: \$0.20 per gal used on Inland Waterways
- 50/50 IWTF and General Treasury funds
- Created the Inland Waterways Users Board (IWUB)
 - ► Inland Navigation Stakeholders
 - ► 11 members, meet 3 times per year
 - ► Advisory capacity to the Secretary of the Army / Congress
 - ► Annual Report issued with recommendations on IWTF

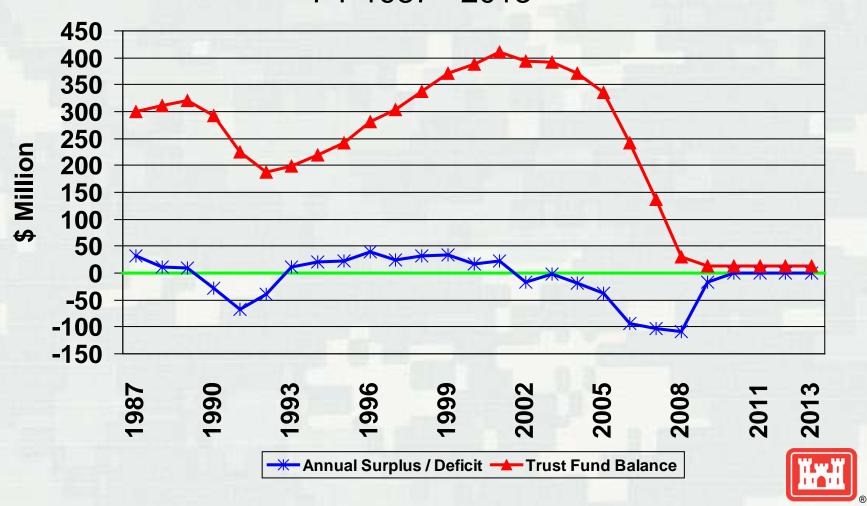


Challenge: Declining Revenues

- Trust Fund revenues have been flat or declining since 2001
 - ► Industry consolidation
 - ► Less long-haul grain traffic
 - ▶ More efficient technology
 - ► Fewer empty moves, deeper-draft barges
- Trust Fund "purchasing power" declining since tax peaked at 20 cents in 1995
 - ► Revenues tied only to fuel consumption
 - ▶ Buying power goes down over time with inflation
 - ► To have 1995 purchasing power today would be a tax around 29-31 cents.

Background

IWTF History / Projection FY 1987 - 2013



Status of Inland Waterways Trust Fund

• FY10 Cash Flow:	(\$ Million)	(Peak Year)
Begin Balance:	\$57.7	2003: \$412.6
Fuel Tax Revenue:	\$73.9	2001: \$112.7
➤ Interest:	\$0.129	1990: \$ 26.2
Transfers to Corps:	\$73.3	2006: \$175.1
➤ End Balance 30 Sep 2010:	\$58.5	

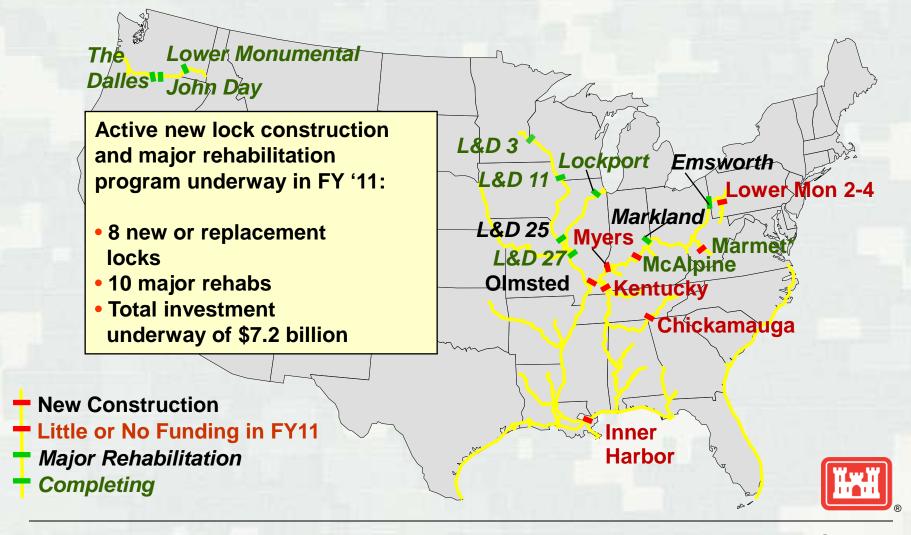
❖ Of which \$20.3 million is set aside as Transfer Authority for current obligations, leaving \$38.2 million as effective unobligated balance.

USACE IWTF Projections for Budget Planning:

- > Based on Historical data and assessment of inland traffic
 - Unilateral Treasury adjustment in Sep 2009
- > FY10 revenues lower than FY09, which were lower than FY08
- > FY11 Estimate \$65M Conservative
 - Low balance in the Trust Fund
 - Reflect downward trend of deposits

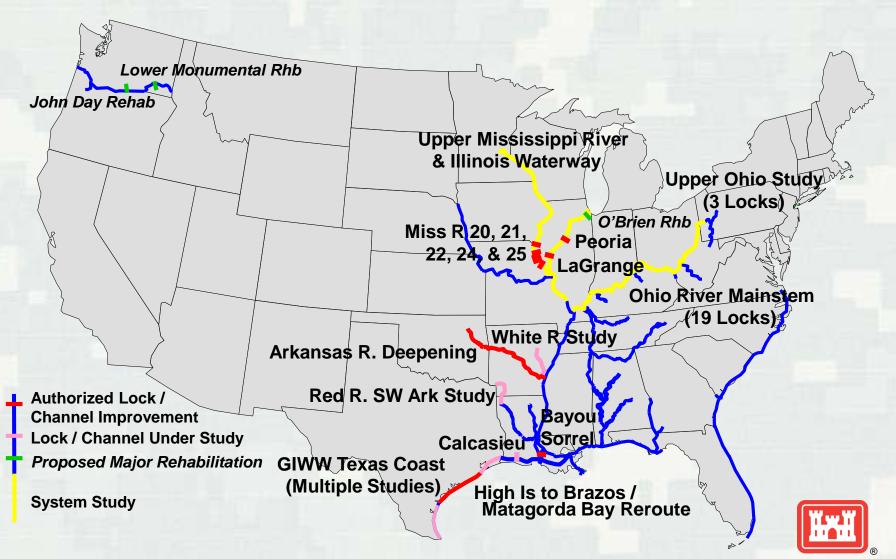


The Challenge: Major Navigation Projects Underway, as of 2011



Major Future Inland Navigation Projects

Authorized or Under Study, to be Cost-Shared from IWTF

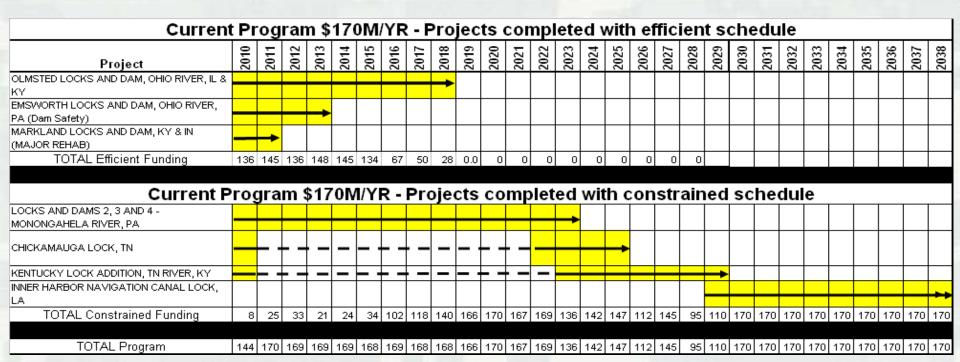


Short-Term Options

- Can't change tax without legislation
- Continue funding most urgent major rehabilitations (High-Risk, High-Consequence)
- Focus on locks nearing completion
- Stop most major construction projects
- Seek long-term strategy for lock modernization
- Form a Team: Joint government and industry:
 IMTS Capital Investment Strategy Team



Example IMTS Capital Investment Strategy Future Program with Current Revenues



NO NEW STARTS!!



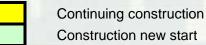
IMTS Capital Investment Strategy Program Development

- Collaborative Team US Army Corps of Engineers and Waterways Industry (recommendations reflect those of the team, not necessarily those of the Inland Waterways Users Board, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers or the Administration)
- Premise
 - Projects are funded efficiently
 - Emphasis on finishing projects
 - System evaluation
- Prioritized list used to establish program
- Total IMTS Capital Investment Program Target -\$380M/year
 - ▶ New construction \$320M/year
 - ▶ Major rehab \$60M/year
 - ▶ \$380M Program includes management reserve of \$30M
 - Additional out-year capacity available



IMTS Capital Investment Strategy New Construction Program

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IMTS Capital Investment Strategy Major Rehabilitation Program

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Construction new start

Cost Sharing and Revenue Plan

- Cost share recommendation
 - ► Lock New Construction and Major Rehab above \$100M: 50% Federal / 50% IWTF
 - ► Lock Major Rehab less than \$100M and Dams: 100% Federal
 - ▶ \$270M/Year Federal
 - ▶ \$110M/Year IWTF
 - Requires 30% 45% increase in fuel tax (\$0.06 \$0.09 per gal)
- Cost sharing cap
- Revenue Plan increase in current industry funding mechanism

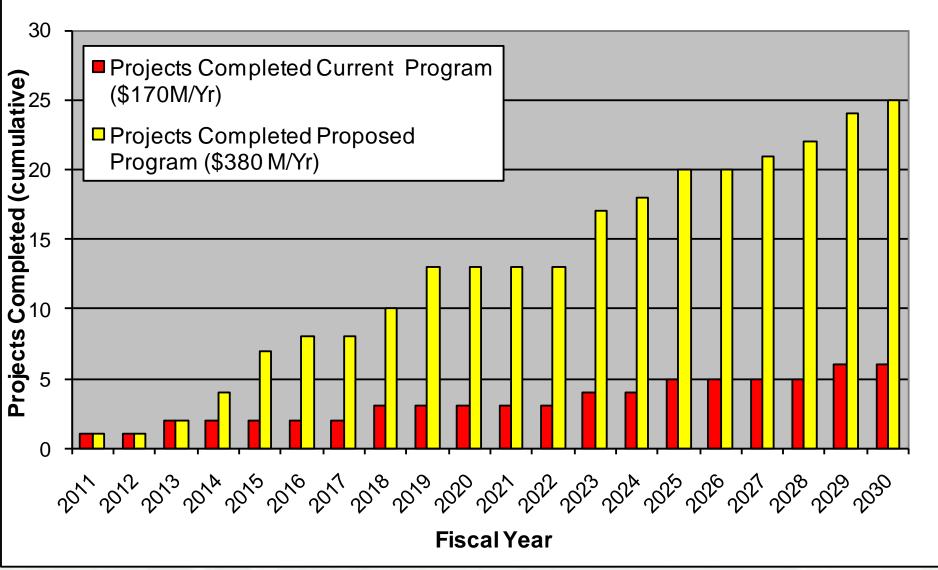


IMTS Capital Investment Strategy Project Delivery Process Recommendations

- Implemented Recommendations
 - Risk-based cost estimates
 - Independent External Peer Reviews
 - Project Management Certification
- Proposed Improvements
 - ► IMTS Capital Investment Program Regulation
 - ► IWUB representative PDT members
 - ▶ Project Management Plan IWUB Chairman and representative as signatories
 - ► Adopt applicable concepts of Milcon Model
 - Acquisition Early Contractor Involvement
 - IWUB concurrence on new starts
 - ► IWUB status briefings
 - ► Measure and monitor results of recommended process improvements
- Recommendations forwarded for consideration
 - ▶ Design/Review Center(s) of Expertise
 - Standardized Designs
 - Continuing Contracts Clause
 - Emphasis on reduced O&M expenditures



Comparison of Completed Projects



Benefits of Proposed IMTS Capital Investment Program

- Cost efficiencies \$0.5 \$2.1B in avoided cost growth on navigation projects
- Avoiding more than \$2.8B additional benefits foregone
 - ► Looking only at projects that could be completed under the current scenario (reference slide 3)
 - ▶ Benefits foregone to date at Olmsted and Lower Mon alone are \$5.2B
- Improved reliability and efficiency of IMTS
 - ▶ 5 DSAC 1 dams
 - ▶ 3 DSAC 2 dams
 - ▶ 1 lock rated as an F condition
 - ▶ 6 locks rated as a D condition
- Additional benefits of achieving IMTS improvements over shorter timeframe
 - ▶ Environmental
 - Societal benefits
 - Safety
 - Energy



Status

- ► Report approved by the IWUB 15 April 2010
- Congress requested Administration position on the proposal July 2010
- ► Assistant Secretary of the Army (Civil Works) replied December 2010
- ► The Administration did not support the overall proposals
- ► Continue discussion with new Congress and Waterway Users



What Is Underway: Improving Project Delivery Process

- Develop Risk Based Cost Estimates
- Capital Projects for External Peer Reviews
- Apply Lessons Learned to new Capital Projects
- Evaluate use of Early Contractor Involvement in upcoming capital projects
- Implement applicable principles of Military Construction program to Capital Projects
- Create Design/Review Centers of Expertise
- Develop a portfolio of standardized designs
- Develop reliability data



Questions

