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## Corps addresses drought level 2 in latest *Balancing the Basin* e-newsletter

**SAVANNAH, GEORGIA** – The [U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Savannah District](#) has published and distributed a special edition of its e-newsletter, [Balancing the Basin](#), which specifically addresses drought trigger level two at the [Hartwell](#), [Richard B. Russell](#) and [J. Strom Thurmond](#) dam and reservoir projects.

In this edition, Savannah District Commander [Col. Jeff Hall](#) explains water needs throughout the Savannah River Basin and the Corps' role in balancing upstream and downstream requirements. The e-newsletter also includes "Q's and A's" on water levels at its three reservoirs and links to the U.S. Drought Monitor.

The Savannah District launched the e-newsletter in January to foster communication with stakeholders, community groups, congressional staffs, federal and state natural resource agencies, private citizens and news media on the Corps' water management actions. It also covers environmental concerns, recreation opportunities, and related issues at the reservoirs. Subscribers receive the free newsletter via e-mail. It is also available in an online format on the district's website.

The latest edition of *Balancing the Basin* is available at [http://www.sas.usace.army.mil/ENewsletter/ACOE\\_special\\_edition/CorpsNewsletter.html](http://www.sas.usace.army.mil/ENewsletter/ACOE_special_edition/CorpsNewsletter.html)

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