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Corps of Engineers receives additional \$2.5M in federal funding for Savannah Harbor Expansion

SAVANNAH, Ga. – The [U.S. Army Corps of Engineers \(USACE\) Savannah District](#) received an additional \$2.5 million in federal funding to continue work on the [Savannah Harbor Expansion Project](#) (SHEP), following the Feb. 8 release of the USACE Headquarters' work plan for fiscal year 2012 (FY12) appropriations to the Army Civil Works program.

USACE Headquarters announced its plan to allocate an additional \$507 million in funding for various Civil Works projects across the nation in four categories: 1) Investigations, \$35 million; 2) Construction, \$253 million; 3) Operation and Maintenance, \$173 million; and 4) Mississippi River and Tributaries, \$46 million.

The additional \$2.5 million for the Savannah Harbor Expansion Project will be used to develop more detailed engineering information for the various project features, such as channel dredging and design of mitigation components. The mitigation aspects include the oxygen injection systems, the fish passage at the new Savannah Bluff Lock and Dam, and upstream channel diversion structures that will increase the flow of freshwater into critical ecosystems.

Additional details on the harbor expansion project will be released to the public this spring, following completion of the final General Re-evaluation Report and Environmental Impact Statement. For additional information on SHEP, visit the Savannah District website at: <http://www.sas.usace.army.mil/shexpan/Home.html>.

For more information on the USACE work plan for FY12 Civil Works appropriations, visit: <http://www.usace.army.mil/media/NewsReleaseArticleView/tabid/231/Article/253/us-army-corps-of-engineers-releases-work-plans-for-fiscal-year-2012-civil-works.aspx>

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The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' [Savannah District](#) manages [three lakes and hydroelectric dams](#) along the Savannah River. It also oversees a multi-billion dollar [military construction](#) program at 11 Army and Air Force installations in Georgia and North Carolina. Corps' projects range from barracks, hospitals and clinics to maintenance facilities, headquarters buildings and aircraft hangars. The Savannah District also has oversight and maintains additional civil works projects – from the Savannah and Brunswick harbors to the Atlantic Intracoastal Waterway.