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“USACE & SILVER JACKETS”

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ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE



Assistant Secretary of the
Army (Civil Works)
Washington, DC

Headquarters
Washington, DC

Division
9 Regional Offices

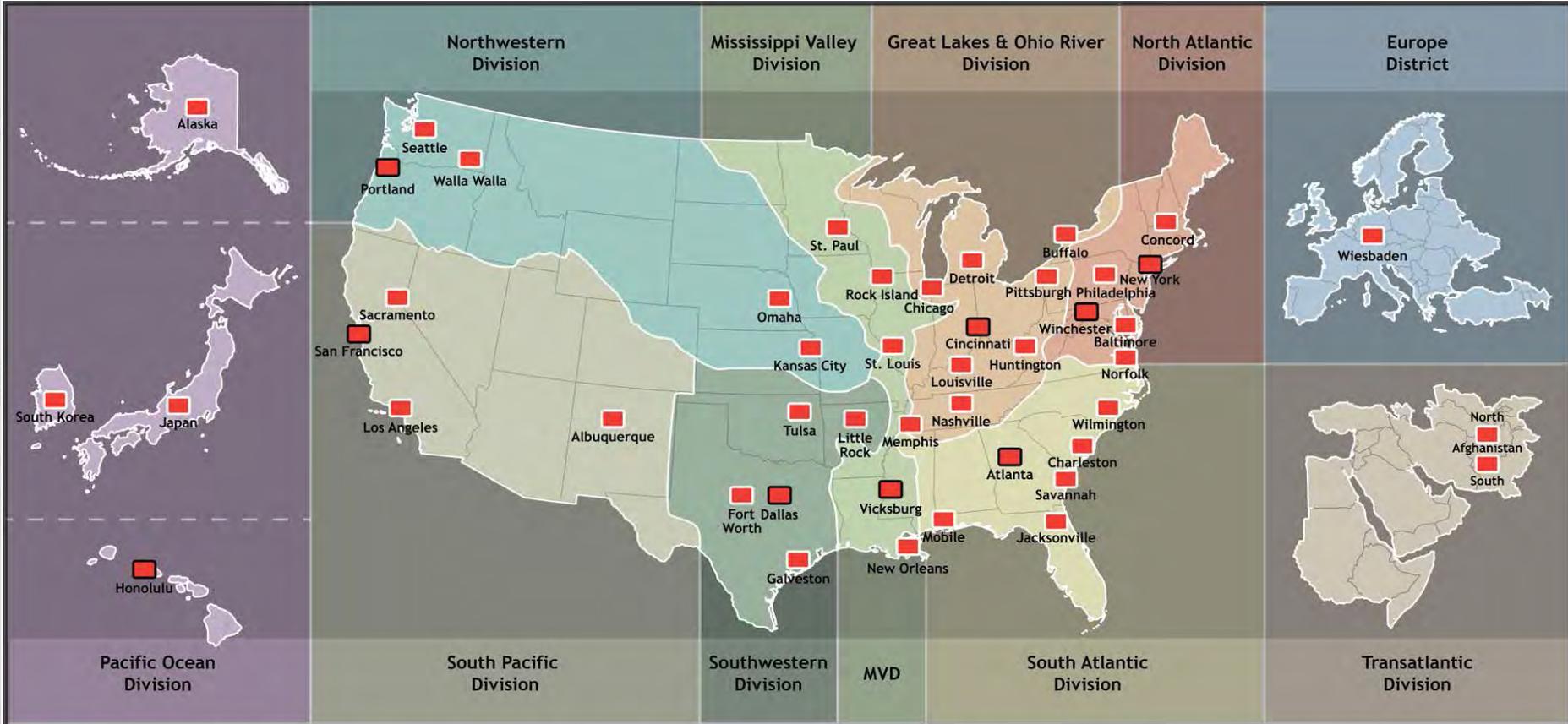
District
43 Local Offices



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CIVIL WORKS BOUNDARY




 State/Country Boundaries
  Division Boundaries
  Division Headquarters
  District Headquarters

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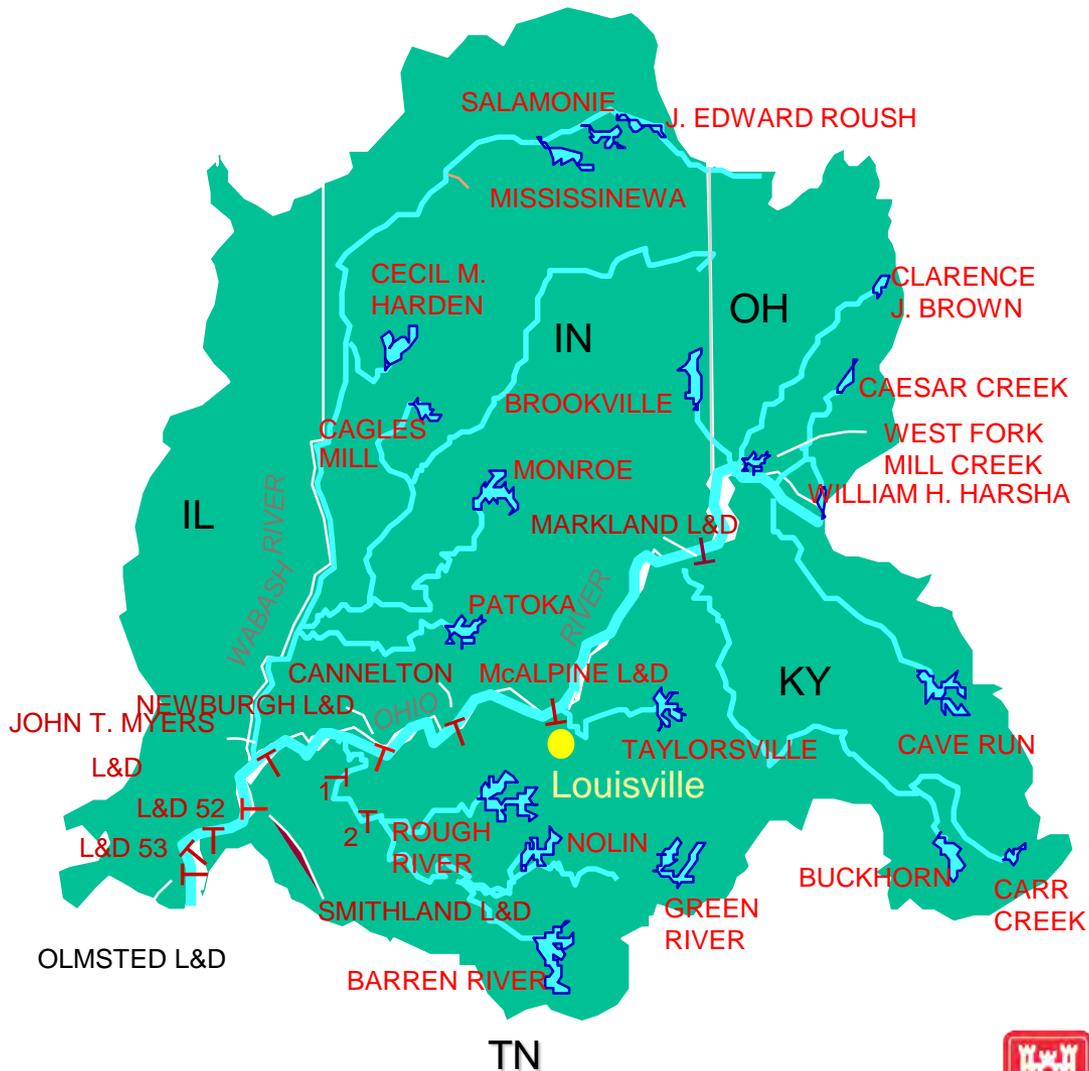
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CIVIL WORKS BUSINESS LINES

- **Navigation**
- **Flood and Storm Risk Management**
- **Aquatic Ecosystem Restoration**
- **Watershed Planning**
- **Emergency Management**
- **Regulatory Program**
- *Hydropower*
- *Recreation*
- *Water Supply*



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It Takes Two to Tango

Authorization

- Permission for Study, program, or project
- Water Resources Development Act (WRDA)
- Committee resolution

Appropriation

- Approval to obligate and expend funds for an authorized study, program, or project
- Annual Energy & Water Development Appropriation Act (EWDA)



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KEY POLICY AND LAWS

Flood Control & WRDA

- 1936 FCA – benefits exceed costs (benefit cost ratios)
- 1986 WRDA – cost sharing required for most projects

Laws, Statutes and Executive Orders

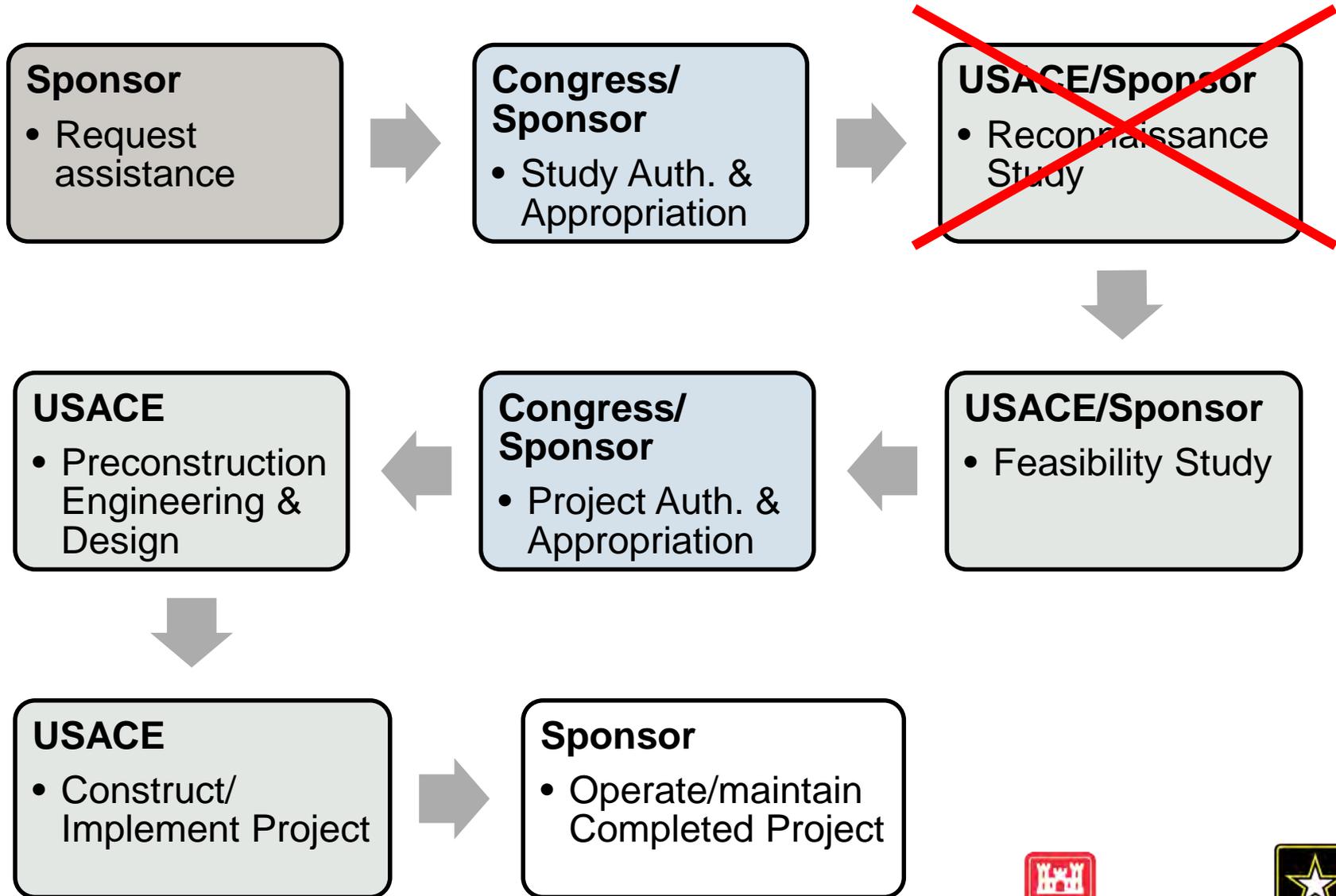
- National Environmental Policy Act
- Clean Water Act
- National Historic Preservation Act
- EO 11988 – Flood Plain Management



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Specifically Authorized Project Process



OLMSTED PROJECT AERIAL

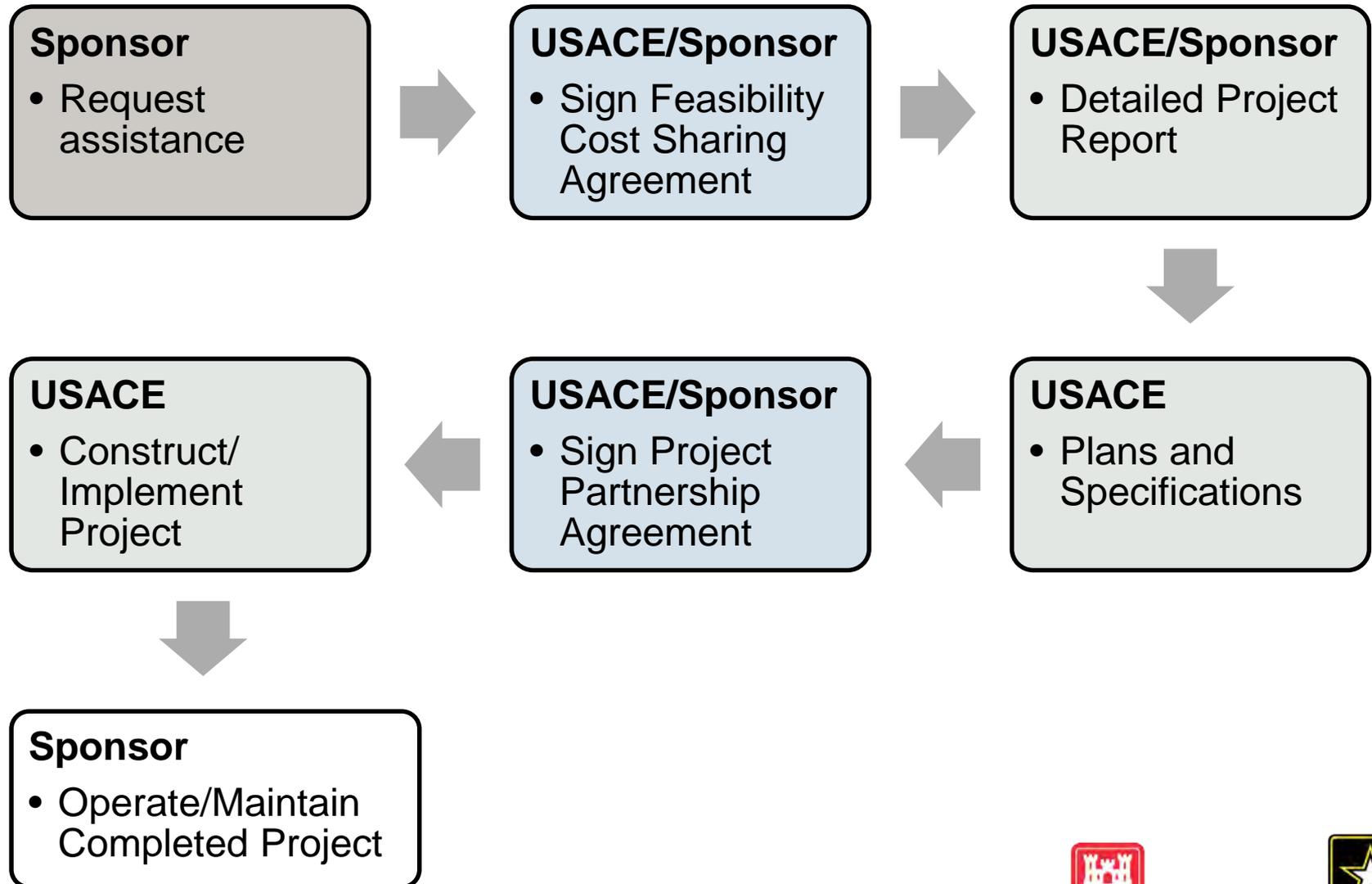


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Continuing Authorities Project Process



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CONTINUING AUTHORITIES OVERVIEW

Authority	Description	Per Project Cost Limit (\$M)	Per Program Cost Limit (\$M)
Section 14	Emergency Streambank Stabilization	5	20
Section 107	Navigation	10	50
Section 205	Flood Risk Management	10	55
Section 208	Flood Snagging/Clearing	0.5	7.5
Section 206	Aquatic Ecosystem Restoration	10	40
Section 1135	Ecosystem Restoration	10	25



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Feather Creek Clinton, IN Section 205



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OTHER PROGRAMS & AUTHORITIES

- Environmental Infrastructure (Section 219, 594, 531)
- Planning Assistance to States (Section 22)
- Flood Plain Management Services Program
- Emergency Management (PL 84-99)
- Silver Jackets



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WHAT IS/ARE SILVER JACKETS?



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WHAT IS/ARE SILVER JACKETS?

Partners

- State-Led (Voice of our ~~Customers~~)
 - States set priorities for Interagency Federal support
- Interagency Method of Delivery (MOD)
 - Collaboration across agencies / levels of government
 - Leverage resources: talent, data, funding
- Continuous, not project-specific
- Life-Cycle Risk Management
- Watershed Perspective
 - State teams facilitate regional, state-to-state flood risk management



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Federal and National Partners



FEMA



Many Agencies



One Solution



State, Local, and Educational Partners



Silver Jackets Successes

Inundation Maps

- Created a model that paired up technologies not normally used together to identify flood areas and when those areas would be impacted through the use of real time river gage data.
- Model successfully calibrated against actual river flow data.
- Outputs can be integrated with HAZUS damage model, GIS, and local Property Valuation Administration (PVA) databases.
- Real time access for citizens
- Cost typically less than \$20K per stream mile



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Silver Jackets Successes

- Statewide LiDAR
- Louisville Levee System EAP
- North Branch Elkhart River Report
- Orange County Indiana H&H
- Fluvial Erosion Hazards Program in Indiana



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Silver Jackets Successes

- Orange County Indiana H&H
- 1913 Flood Outreach
 - Website
 - Signage
 - Museum Exhibit
 - Regional Emmy award Winning Documentary
- Non Levee Embankment ID
- Low Head Dams Initiatives
 - #DamDangerous
 - “Over, Under, & Gone” Documentary
 - Signage



**"STAY AFLOAT"
FLOOD AWARENESS CAMPAIGN
CHILDREN'S ACTIVITY BOOK**



**INDIANA DEPARTMENT
OF HOMELAND SECURITY**

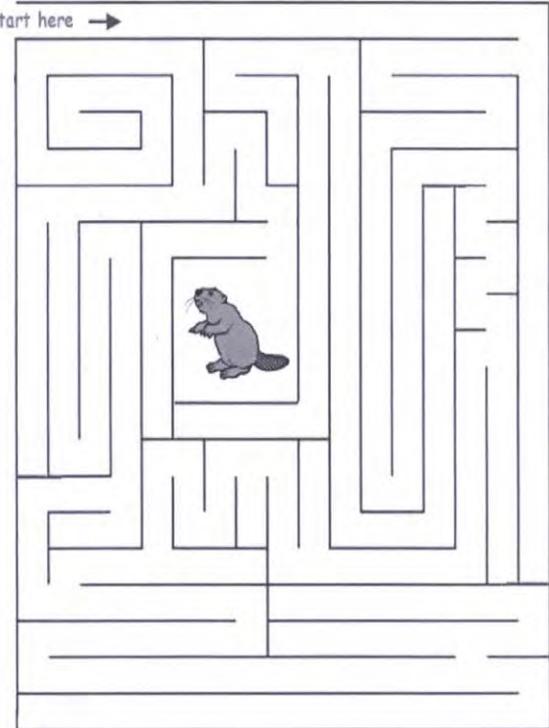
Activity Books



Help!!! The state animal has run off!

You can help... draw a path through the maze to help me find it.

Start here →



Use your mouse to trace the route or print this page and mark with a pencil.

Can't find it either?

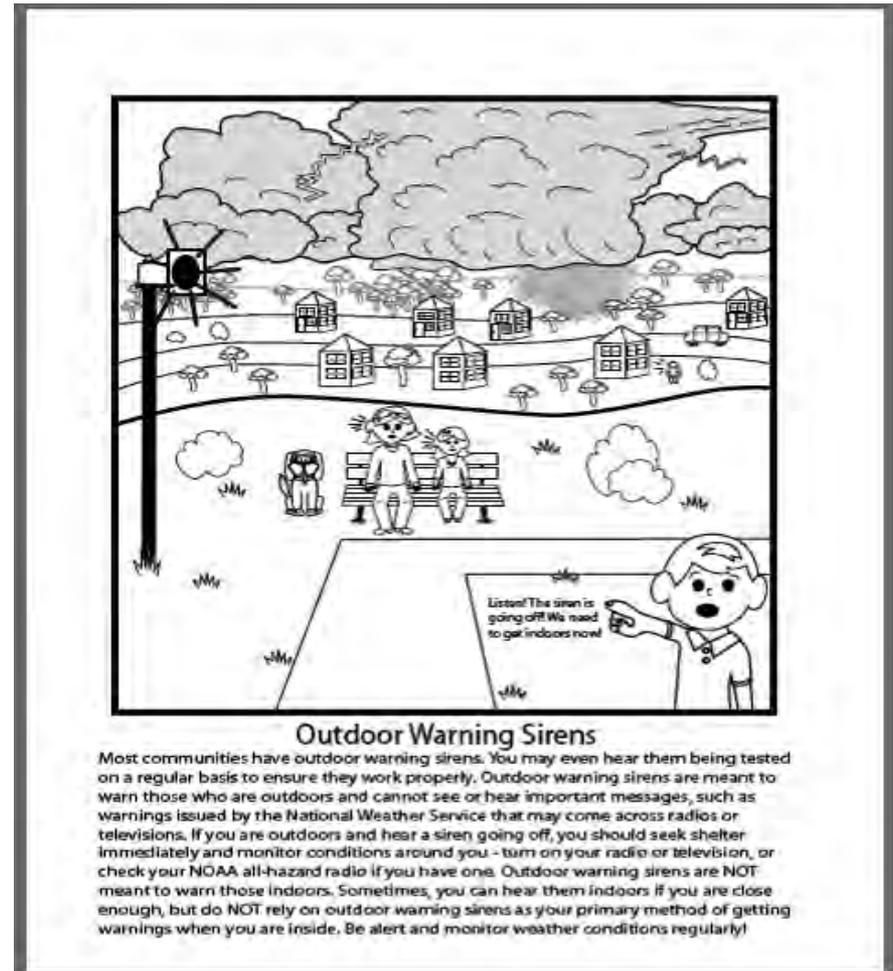
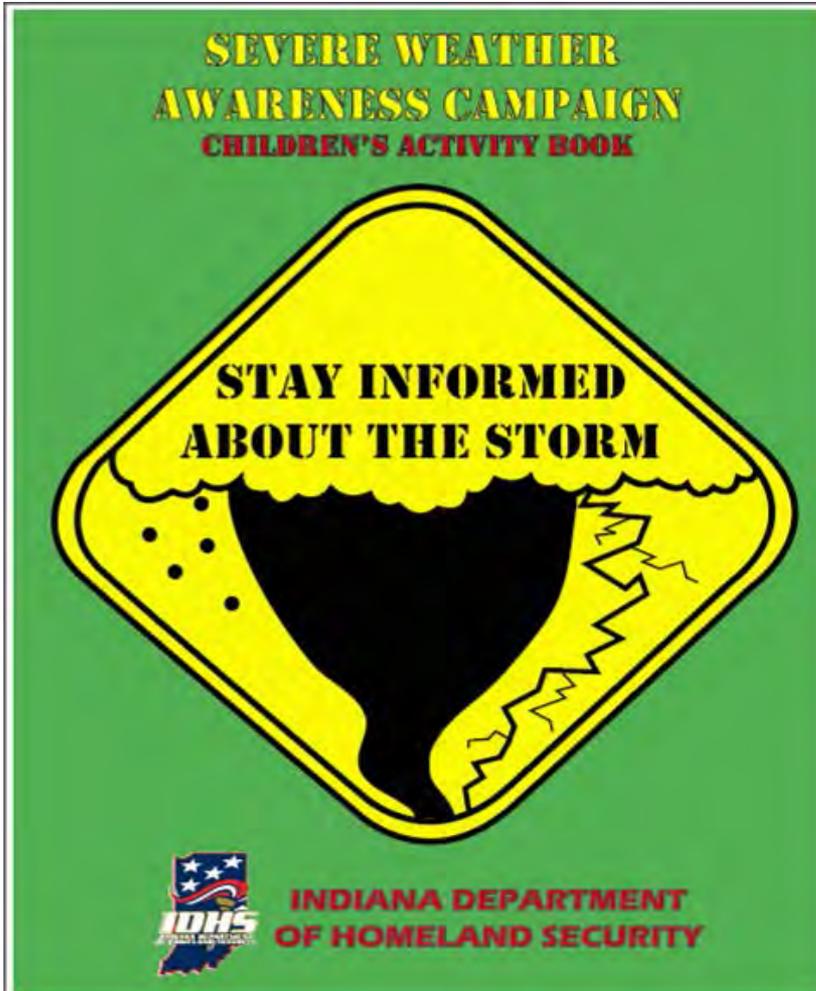
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Activity Books



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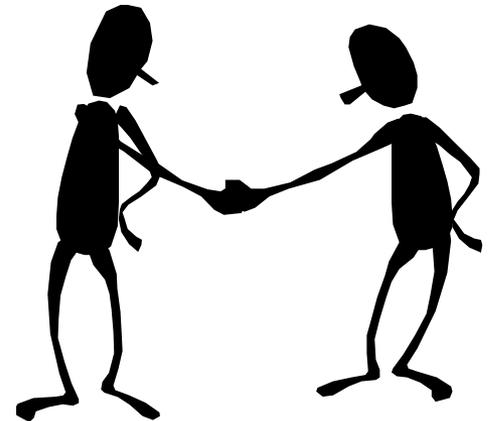
Silver Jackets Successes

Update to the State Hazard Mitigation Plans

- Participation on State Hazard Mitigation Teams

Enhanced *relationships* between federal and state agencies

- Better responses from agencies
- Improved Cooperation
- Better overall agency image
- Unified voice



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Future Silver Jackets Successes

- Southeastern KY Loss Avoidance Study
- Liberty, KY Flood Risk Study
- Hazard, KY Flood Inundation Map
- Indiana Flood Risk Data Platform/Portal
- KY TADD Campaign
- Louisville Catastrophic Urban Flood Plan



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