



DISTRICT NEWS

Sediment tests underway for Craney Island Eastward Expansion project

The Virginia Port Authority and Norfolk District are partnering to construct the Craney Island Eastward Expansion project, which will effectively extend the life of Craney Island as a dredged material placement area, as well as, provide land for the construction of a new marine terminal. Environmental Services Firm of S&ME Inc., and subcontractor Boart Longyear, recently collected sediment core samples for the project in Portsmouth, Va. ([more](#))

Corps continues oyster restoration efforts in the Lynnhaven River

Norfolk District, along with federal, state and scientific partners, is working diligently to reverse years of damage to the oyster population caused by such factors as over-harvesting, loss of habitat, disease and, most importantly, water quality issues. The Corps has begun construction of 22 acres of new sanctuary oyster reefs in Broad Bay and Linkhorn Bay. ([more](#))

The Hatch Act and what it means for you

Passed in 1939, the Hatch Act restricts certain political activities of Federal employees both on and off duty. Violations of the Hatch Act may result in disciplinary action, up to and including removal. ([more](#))

PUBLIC NOTICES

Proposal to establish, design, construct, and operate a wetland/stream compensatory mitigation bank on approximately 48 acres of agricultural land with an adjacent riparian woodland. ([more](#))

Proposal to establish Phase 2 of the Glenthorne Farm Stream Mitigation Bank ("Bank") in Nelson County, Virginia, commonly known as Glen Rhue. ([more](#))

Proposal to clear, grub and deposit and maintain fill material in waters of the U.S. including wetlands for the purpose of further developing "The Green at the Village of Midlothian." ([more](#))



USACE IN IRAQ NEWS

Civilians in a war zone

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Transatlantic Programs Center provides top-notch engineering to deployed forces and other government agencies on the front lines. They also operate the Corps' Deployment Center that gets people ready for the challenge. ([more](#))

Corps guides Iraq infrastructure progress

Engineers with the Gulf Region Division are teaching and mentoring their Iraqi counterparts on every aspect of reconstruction project development, preparing them to continue building and managing Iraq's infrastructure after the coalition leaves. ([more](#))

Al-Rashid Electrical Substation

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers has completed construction of the Al-Rashid electrical substation in southwest Baghdad. The project to install state-of-the-art, gas-insulated switchgear began in the late 1990s under the U.N. Oil for Food Program and was completed in May 2008 with a final \$38 million push from USACE. The substation connects the area to a more reliable power grid and will result in more hours of daily electricity to residents. ([more](#))

