MEMORANDUM FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL OF THE U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS

SUBJECT: Implementation Guidance for Section 1122(j) of the Water Resources Development Act of 2016 (WRDA 2016), Beneficial use of Dredged Material, Clarification

1. Section 1122(j) of the Water Resources Development Act (WRDA) of 2016 further amends Section 156 of the Water Resources Development Act of 1976 (42 U.S.C. 1962-5f(e)) by striking “3” and inserting “6” in Section 156(e). As a result, the special rule at 42 U.S.C. 1962-5f(e) now is as follows: "(e) Special Rule.—Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, for any existing authorized water resources development project for which the maximum period for nourishment described in subsection (a) will expire within the 5 year-period beginning on June 10, 2014, that project shall remain eligible for nourishment for an additional 6 years after the expiration of such period." Section 1122(j) is enclosed.

2. Reference is also made to CECW-P Memorandum, subject: Implementation Guidance for Section 1037(a)(2) of the Water Resources Reform and Development Act of 2014 (WRRDA 14), Hurricane and Storm Damage Reduction, dated 17 July 2014.

3. The implementation guidance for Section 1037(a)(2) is accordingly revised so that the first sentence in paragraph two states: For any hurricane and storm damage reduction project whose authorized period of nourishment expires between 10 June 2014 and 10 June 2019, that project shall remain eligible for nourishment(s) based on the approved nourishment cycle for an additional 6 years after the expiration of its current authorized nourishment period.

4. The implementation guidance applies to projects now referred to as coastal storm risk management projects and previously referred to as coastal storm damage reduction, hurricane and storm damage reduction, and shore protection projects.
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5. Questions regarding this implementation guidance should be directed to Ada Benavides, Senior Policy Advisor and Program Manager, at (202) 761-0415 or Ada.Benavides@usace.army.mil.

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SEC. 1122. BENEFICIAL USE OF DREDGED MATERIAL.
(j) CLARIFICATION.—Section 156(e) of the Water Resources Development Act of 1976 (42 U.S.C. 1962d–5f(e)) is amended by striking “3” and inserting “6”.