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Planning Ahead Newsletter (2010)

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Purpose: The "Planning Ahead" newsletter is a monthly publication designed to improve the communication and dissemination of information among Corps planners, other individuals within the Corps, and those persons outside the Corps who have an interest in Corps planning related activities.

Objective: The "Planning Ahead" newsletter covers topics of interest to the members of the Corps Planning Community of Practice.

Articles from contributors are sent to the editor of the newsletter where they are reviewed for editorial content. The newsletter is then composed in Microsoft publishing software, reviewed by headquarters staff, and then distributed electronically via a list serve.

Benefits: The outcome of the publication of the "Planning Ahead" newsletter is an improved level of awareness of current Corps planning activities, dissemination of planning guidance and articles of interest to the Corps planning community of practice including reports of the activities of the participants in the Planning Associates program, announcement of employment opportunities within the Corps planning organization, announcement of PROSPECT training courses, conferences, and recent publications of interest to the Corps planning community.

Progress: The Planning Ahead newsletter project has been ongoing since 1998. To date over 100 issues have been published to the benefit of the members of the Planning Community of Practice. The readership of the newsletter extends beyond the members of the Corps of Engineers to include individuals from other Federal agencies, as well as state and local agencies and the private sector. Readership of the newsletter now numbers over 1001 recipients. The readership of the newsletter continues to grow on the order of 10-15% per year. The newsletter is well received by the members of the Planning Community of Practice.

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