## Mississippi Valley Division Navigation Challenges & Successes

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# Upper Mississippi River & Illinois Waterway



#### 3 Districts

- St. Paul
- Rock Island
- St. Louis

37 Navigation Lock Sites

1,200 Miles of Navigable Channel





### **Challenges**



#### **Aging Infrastructure**

- Aging & deteriorated structures, concrete, gates, mechanical & electrical systems
- Causes: Freeze/thaw cycles; ice exposure; corrosion; fatigue/use; barge impacts/abrasion

#### **Miter Gates**

- Major Cracking
- Causes: Ice exposure; corrosion; fatigue/loading; barge impacts/abrasion

#### **Major Rehabilitation & Maintenance**

Needed rehabilitation includes: Miter gates; lockwall/guidewall; machinery & electrical systems; steel corrosion; concrete repairs

#### **Stoplogs**

- Existing MVD Poiree dams and most stoplogs are not fit for service for lock dewatering
- Lock bulkhead slots are needed at UMR locks 4-25 (except 5, 19 & 24) and IWW LaGrange and Peoria
- Set of lock bulkheads needed in St. Paul District



## **Navigation Successes**



- Systems Approach to addressing challenges
- Strong Industry & Stakeholder Relationships
- Shared resources across Regions
- Regional focus within MVD







