Inland Waterways - Developing a Long-Term Capital Investment Strategy

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- The Corps is still working on the capital investment strategy
- Want to ensure that it will be useful going forward as a framework for evaluating investments and setting priorities.
- The goal is to produce a strategy that is grounded in criteria and assumptions that will lead to the development of a portfolio of investments (and their sequencing and timing) that will, together, produce the best overall return to the Nation from available funds over time.
General Summary of Comments

Examples of questions under consideration include:

- From a performance perspective, what are the main challenges facing the inland waterways?
- How much emphasis should we place on improving the reliability of those inland waterways with a high level of commercial traffic, using risk-informed analysis?
- How should we address major work that is likely to be a priority in the future, but is now still in the project planning stage or not yet authorized?
- How should we address the difficulty of forecasting the potential work over a 20-year planning horizon?
- How much funding should we assume will be available to finance future capital investments?
Questions?