

General Investigations Program

The traditional and a common way for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to help a community solve a water resource problem is through the General Investigations or "G.I. Program." In this program, the Corps jointly conducts a study with a non-federal sponsor and, if shown by the study to be feasible, constructs the project. This approach requires that Congress provide the Corps with authority and funds to first accomplish a feasibility study and secondly, to construct the project. Local sponsors share the study and construction costs with the Corps, and usually pay for all operation and maintenance costs. This approach may be used to address any one of a variety of water resource problems, including navigation, flood damage reduction, and ecosystem restoration. For more information contact: Linda Smith at (206) 764-6721. (Linda.S.Smith@usace.army.mil)

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