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PROJECT FACTSHEET

**Cedar Creek
Sussex County, DE**

October 2008

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS: Rep. Castle (DE-AL)

APPROPRIATION / PHASE:
Operation & Maintenance, General

BUSINESS PROGRAM:
Navigation

LOCATION: The project is located north of Milford, Sussex County DE and adjacent to the Mispillion River.

DESCRIPTION: The existing project was adopted by the Chief of Engineers on 23 December 1981 under the authority of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1960, Section 107. The waterway provides a channel five feet deep, 80 feet wide and 3,730 feet long from the confluence of Cedar Creek with the Mispillion River to the state launching ramp, and five feet deep and 50 feet wide thereafter for a distance of 2,470 feet to a point 1,000 feet upstream of the State Route 36 Bridge.

STATUS: Project was last dredged in FY 2002. Controlling depth as of January 2008 survey is 0.2 feet. This waterway is home base for the only launch service that provides safe transport of personnel and supplies to Tanker Vessels anchored in Delaware Bay and the nearby Atlantic Ocean. Delays in service to the shipping industry are being reported. Several vessel groundings have occurred. U.S. Coast Guard has expressed concerns that the poor channel conditions will delay the response of oil spill emergency clean-up and containment contractors during lower tide stages. Should sufficient FY 09 funding be received a much needed maintenance-dredging project would be accomplished.

BUDGET

DATA (\$000) Comments

FY 06	0	
FY 07	0	
FY 08	0	
FY 09	0	

COMMENTS: Environmental Assessment of the channel is prepared with a negative declaration completed on 22 September 1981.

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