



**US Army Corps
of Engineers**
Philadelphia District

PROJECT FACTSHEET

**Wilmington Harbor
New Castle County, DE**

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CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS: Rep. Castle (DE-AL)

APPROPRIATION / PHASE:
Operation & Maintenance, General

BUSINESS PROGRAM:
Navigation

LOCATION: The project extends from the confluence of the Delaware River and the Christina River upstream, a length of about 9.9 miles. It is located 65 miles from the Atlantic Ocean.

DESCRIPTION: The existing project, adopted as HD 54-66 in 1896 and 1899, and modified by HD 67-114 in 1922, by HD 71-20 in 1930, by HD 73-32 in 1935, by HD 76-658 in 1940, by SD 86-88 in 1960, and further modified pursuant to the authority of Section 107 of the River and Harbor Act of 1960 (PL 86-645) provides for a channel with depths of 38, 35, 21, 10, and 7 feet from the Delaware River to Newport, DE, a turning basin 2050 feet long, 640 feet wide and 38 feet deep opposite the Wilmington Marine Terminal, and jetties at the mouths of Christina and Brandywine Rivers.

STATUS: A \$1,449,090 maintenance dredging contract was accomplished by Norfolk Dredging Company during August/September 2008 to remove 414,387 cubic yards of shoaling from within the 35-foot and 38-foot project channels. FY 09 funding will be utilized to continue annual maintenance dredging operations and conduct monthly channel examination surveys. Project funding capabilities are construction of a new cross dike at the Killcohook Disposal Area and performance of a much needed aggressive disposal area management plan supported by both hired labor and leased equipment.

BUDGET

DATA (\$000) Comments

FY 06	3,426	
FY 07	3,561	
FY 08	4,319	
FY 09	2,813	

COMMENTS: A final Environmental Impact Statement addressing the impact of Corps of Engineers' maintenance activities for this project was completed on 7 November 1975.

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