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USACE CIVIL WORKS PROCESS
17 Steps to a Civil Works Project
1. PROBLEM IDENTIFICATION

- Articulate the need.
- Document existing conditions.
- Identify the relevant Hazard Mitigation Activity.
- Consider the solution.
- Construction vs. Study.
- Cost-share capability.
- Submit Letter of Intent.
2. CONGRESSIONAL AUTHORITY

- Study (Programmatic)
  - Flood Plain Management Services Section
  - Planning Assistance to States
  - Silver Jackets

- Construction
  - Continuing Authorities Program
  - General Investigations

- No additional study authority needed.
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- Congressional authority needed.
3. CONGRESSIONAL APPROPRIATION AND FCSA

- Starts the project clock.
- Allows in-kind work.
- Consider local capability.
- Federal partners with guidelines.
- Planning Community Toolbox
4. CONDUCT FEASIBILITY STUDY

PLANNING

what people think it looks like
what it really looks like

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DATA

- Building
- Type
- Foundation Type
- First Floor Elevations
- Value
- Square footage
- Digital Elevation Model
- Repetitive and Severe Repetitive Loss polygons and Structures
- High Water Marks from past flood events
- Flooded roads
- Traffic delays
CONCLUSION

- Identify the problem and visualize the solution.
- Provide data and background to tell the story.
- Update Letter of Intent annually until study begins.
- Actively participate but be prepared for fluidity.
- There will be things we cannot do.
- The Recommended Plan may not be the Locally Preferred Plan.
- Engage local staff from multiple departments to support.
- We are partners and not contractors.
- Become familiar with your capability – opportunity for work in-kind.

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