

Input Submittal for the Ohio River Basin Comprehensive Study -
Deadline: September 30th

I would like to thank all of you that have submitted comments to us on the Ohio River Basin Comprehensive Study. We have some new information out on our web site at www.orboutreach.com. There have been some new items on this site, for example: the top ten issues that have been noted from comments we have received from you (our customers/stakeholders). As you meet with the variety of groups we hope you will share this website with them in order for us to receive as many diverse comments we can. What we want to know are what are the most pressing water resource concerns and priorities in the Cumberland and Tennessee River basins that will be facing us in the next 10-20 years from your perspective.

Public comment can be provided to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers at www.orboutreach.com. Deadline for submitting input is September 30, 2009.

The Corps is conducting a study of the Ohio River Basin which includes territory in Kentucky, Indiana, Illinois Missouri, Tennessee, Alabama, Georgia, South Carolina, North Carolina, Virginia, Maryland, Pennsylvania, Ohio and New York. It encompasses waterways overseen by Corps offices in Nashville, Louisville, Pittsburgh and Huntington, W. Va.

Flood damage reduction, environmental degradation, ecosystem restoration, fish and wildlife habitat, water supply and quality, hydropower and navigation will be included in the study.

The results of the study will be used to create a management plan and reinvestment strategy for the Ohio River Basin. It also might be used to create a multi-state collaborative partnership to accomplish the objectives highlighted in the study

More information about the project can be obtained by contacting Patty Coffey, 615-736-7865, or Mitch Laird, 615-736-5223.

Thank you so much

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