

WELCOME



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Welcome to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, St. Paul District, providing service to the nation since 1866.

We provide responsive and reliable professional engineering to address seven basic functions:

- ▶ Commercial and Recreational Navigation of Waterways
- ▶ Environmental Restoration and Protection
- ▶ Flood Damage Risk Reduction
- ▶ Wetlands Regulation
- ▶ Operation and Maintenance of Recreation Sites
- ▶ Disaster Response
- ▶ Support to the Army and Other Federal Agencies

St. Paul District Map



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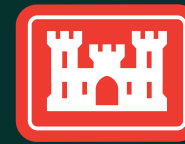
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BUILDING STRONG®

The St. Paul District is where the “Mighty Mississippi River” starts its long journey through the middle of the United States of America to the Gulf of Mexico. The district borders follow the edges of four river basins—the Mississippi River, the Red River of the North, the Souris River and the Rainy River – and covers an area of approximately 139,000 square miles.



The district is responsible for supporting inland navigation by operating 13 locks and dams and by maintaining the 9-foot navigation channel on the Mississippi River, Minnesota River, St. Croix River and Black River. The district helps communities reduce damages caused by flooding by building flood risk management projects and operating 16 reservoirs for flood risk reduction, recreation, fish and wildlife habitat and water supply. It can also assist communities by responding to floods and other natural disasters.

The St. Paul District provides engineering services to the Department of Defense and other federal agencies to include the Federal Emergency Management Agency. It issues permits for work in wetlands and navigable rivers and is responsible for an environmental restoration program to improve fish and wildlife habitat. In addition, the district maintains 49 recreation areas open to the public.

Highlights

- ▶ Around 650 district employees
- ▶ 41 sites in five states
- ▶ 139,000-square-mile area
- ▶ 16 reservoirs
- ▶ 280-mile-long, 9-foot-deep commercial navigation channel in the Mississippi River
- ▶ 13 of the Corps' 29 locks and dams on the Mississippi River
- ▶ 19 recreation locations
- ▶ Engineering expertise in planning, flood damage reduction, environmental restoration and navigation



St. Paul District “Firsts”

- 1883** Planned and developed the road network in the first U.S. national park - Yellowstone
- 1910** First federal dam with a hydroelectric plant, Lock and Dam 1, Minneapolis
- 1912** First major reservoir system - Gull, Leech, Winnibigoshish, Pokegama, Big Sandy, Pine all in Minnesota
- 1970** First major non-structural flood damage risk reduction system, Prairie du Chien, Wis.



Award-Winning Teams

Chief of Engineers' Awards

- 2012** Fargo, N.D./Moorhead, Minn., Metropolitan Area Flood Risk Management Feasibility Study
- 2008** Grand Forks, N.D./East Grand Forks, Minn. flood damage risk reduction system
- 2008** Pool 5, Upper Mississippi River, Water Level Management for Ecosystem Restoration
- 2004** Pool 8 Islands Habitat Project
- 1998** St. Paul, Minn., Flood Control
- 1996** Rochester, Minn., Flood Control
- 1989** Weaver Bottoms Environmental Rehabilitation
- 1983** Lock and Dam 1 Major Rehabilitation

