

Communication Principles

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers has proudly served the American people for more than 200 years. In war and in peace, the Corps provides essential services to the Army and the nation, working closely with a variety of valued constituencies. Accordingly, effective, two-way communication with these constituencies helps us build positive, mutually respectful relationships that are important to the successful accomplishment of our mission. To build and maintain these relationships by fostering a climate of effective, two-way communication, the Corps dedicates itself to the following communication principles. The Corps will:

- Listen to all constituencies both inside and outside USACE regarding issues of importance to them, respecting their viewpoints. Seek opportunities for synergy.**
- Communicate early, clearly, completely, honestly, accurately, and often with all constituencies on issues of importance.**
- Incorporate communication as an integral part of the project management business process.**
- Be accessible to all constituencies and respond promptly without censorship or misinformation.**
- Proactively inform the public and other constituencies of the Corps' vital role in areas where we have special expertise.**
- Do what we say we will do.**

The policy of the Corps is to communicate in an open, factual, and timely way with the Corps team, the American people, the Administration, Congress, the international community, tribes and the news media. We will make relevant information fully and readily available to these constituencies consistent with law and national security interests.