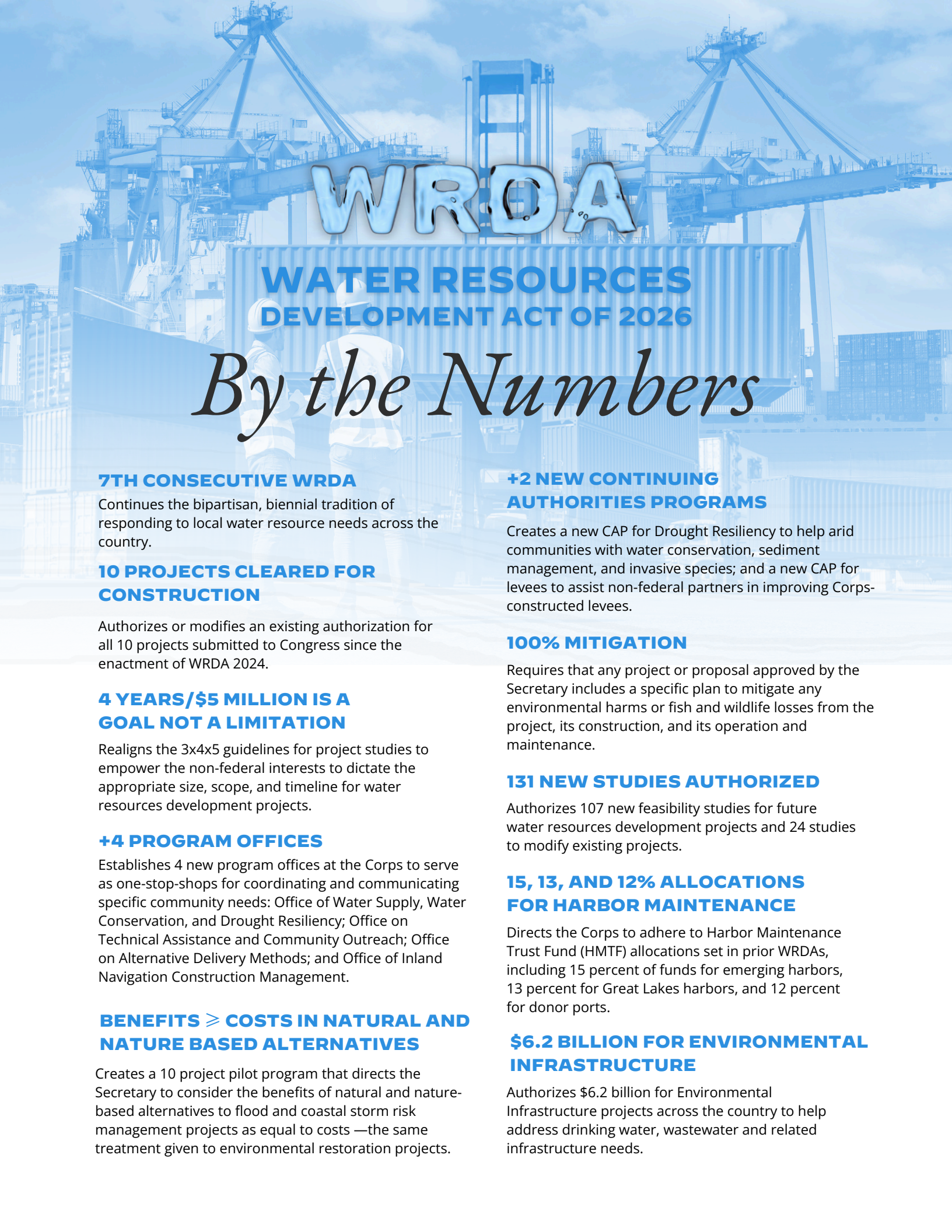




WRDA

WATER RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT ACT OF 2026

By the Numbers

7TH CONSECUTIVE WRDA

Continues the bipartisan, biennial tradition of responding to local water resource needs across the country.

10 PROJECTS CLEARED FOR CONSTRUCTION

Authorizes or modifies an existing authorization for all 10 projects submitted to Congress since the enactment of WRDA 2024.

4 YEARS/\$5 MILLION IS A GOAL NOT A LIMITATION

Realigns the 3x4x5 guidelines for project studies to empower the non-federal interests to dictate the appropriate size, scope, and timeline for water resources development projects.

+4 PROGRAM OFFICES

Establishes 4 new program offices at the Corps to serve as one-stop-shops for coordinating and communicating specific community needs: Office of Water Supply, Water Conservation, and Drought Resiliency; Office on Technical Assistance and Community Outreach; Office on Alternative Delivery Methods; and Office of Inland Navigation Construction Management.

BENEFITS ≥ COSTS IN NATURAL AND NATURE BASED ALTERNATIVES

Creates a 10 project pilot program that directs the Secretary to consider the benefits of natural and nature-based alternatives to flood and coastal storm risk management projects as equal to costs —the same treatment given to environmental restoration projects.

+2 NEW CONTINUING AUTHORITIES PROGRAMS

Creates a new CAP for Drought Resiliency to help arid communities with water conservation, sediment management, and invasive species; and a new CAP for levees to assist non-federal partners in improving Corps-constructed levees.

100% MITIGATION

Requires that any project or proposal approved by the Secretary includes a specific plan to mitigate any environmental harms or fish and wildlife losses from the project, its construction, and its operation and maintenance.

131 NEW STUDIES AUTHORIZED

Authorizes 107 new feasibility studies for future water resources development projects and 24 studies to modify existing projects.

15, 13, AND 12% ALLOCATIONS FOR HARBOR MAINTENANCE

Directs the Corps to adhere to Harbor Maintenance Trust Fund (HMTF) allocations set in prior WRDAs, including 15 percent of funds for emerging harbors, 13 percent for Great Lakes harbors, and 12 percent for donor ports.

\$6.2 BILLION FOR ENVIRONMENTAL INFRASTRUCTURE

Authorizes \$6.2 billion for Environmental Infrastructure projects across the country to help address drinking water, wastewater and related infrastructure needs.