JACKSONVILLE HARBOR (MILE POINT) NAVIGATION STUDY Duval County, Florida

Feasibility Report and Environmental Assessment

2012 Environmental Symposium August 17, 2012



EARLY MILE POINT HISTORY

1896

- Deepen harbor from 12.5 feet to 18 feet
- Improve shoaling conditions at Dames Point, Cedar Creek and Mile Point with training dikes and dredging (originally constructed by local interests)

1910

- Deepen harbor to 30 feet
- Augment existing Mile Point Training Wall

1931*

- Repair 5,990 feet of Mile Point Training Wall to original design elevation of 6 feet above MLW
- * Post-1931: repair of the landward end of the Mile Point Training Wall in 2001 (O&M)



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Study Purpose

- Eliminate or alleviate the crosscurrents occurring during the ebb flow at the confluence of the St. Johns River with the Intracoastal Waterway (IWW)
- Develop/evaluate alternative plans to reduce the effects of the crosscurrents on the Mile Point shoreline and restrictions to navigation for vessels transiting Jacksonville Harbor

 5000 feet of shoreline along the north shore of the St. Johns River, east of the IWW

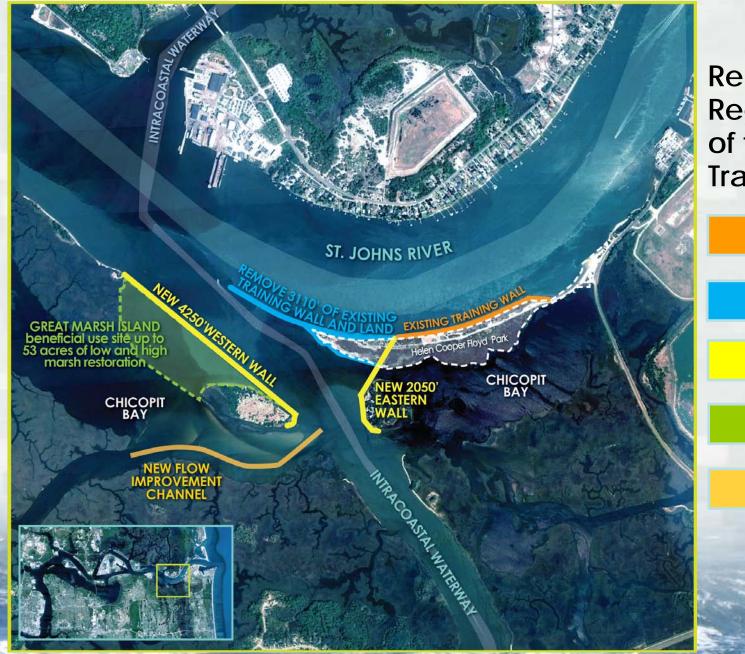


Mile Point Problems/Opportunities

- Difficult crosscurrents at the confluence of the IWW and the St. Johns River during the ebb tide result in:
- Navigation Restrictions during the ebb tide on vessels transiting with a draft >33 feet or 34 feet depending upon the vessel type
- Concerns about how the crosscurrents impact the Mile Point shoreline



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Relocation/ Reconfiguration of the Mile Point Training Wall

Existing Training Wall

Training Wall Removal

New Training Wall

Great Marsh Island Restoration

Flow Improvement Channel

Project Implementation

Key Dates:

- July 2011: Public Coordination of Draft Report
- > August 2011: Public Workshop
- October 2011: Division Engineer Transmittal Letter, Initiate Design
- April 2012: Chief of Engineer's Report
- 2013: Begin Construction Pending Authorization and Appropriations
- Construction Duration: 465 Days*
 - > 375 days: Construction of Relocated Training Wall (Phase I)
 - > 90 days: Great Marsh Island Final Grading (Phase II)

*Does not include 365 day material consolidation period between completion of Phase I and Phase II