



US Army Corps  
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## Surveillance of Northern Boundary Waters New York, Ohio, and Pennsylvania

### Project Features

- Support to the International Joint Commission (IJC) Boards and Committees, including, but not limited to, the:
  - International Lake Ontario – St. Lawrence River Board and its gauging committee
  - International Niagara Board of Control and its working committee
  - International Niagara Committee
  - Coordinating Committee on Great Lakes Basic Hydraulic & Hydrologic Data
- Essential international tasks of monitoring and regulating water levels and flows within the entire lower Great Lakes Basin and its connecting channels, including Lakes Erie and Ontario and the Niagara and St. Lawrence Rivers. These tasks include:
  - Weekly, monthly, semiannual, or annual reports on Lake Ontario and the Niagara River operations; reports of the Lake Ontario – St. Lawrence River and Niagara Boards; reports on the Lake Erie-Niagara River Ice Boom and Niagara River Diversions; and reports on the St. Lawrence Committee on River Gauging, Hydropower/Diversion Inspection, Lake Erie-Niagara River Ice Boom oversight, Lake Ontario regulation operations, board forecasts, and St. Lawrence River Bulletin internet publication, attendance, and participation at IJC hearings, board meetings, and public meetings.
- Data collection and analysis using a Data Collection Platform network within the Genesee River Basin. This is critical for flood risk management operations at Mt. Morris Dam. It supports the National Weather Service (NWS) Northeast River Forecast Center's forecasting mission.

- Project customers are the IJC and its Boards, the U.S. Geological Survey, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, and Canadian agencies. Other customers include navigation, recreational boating, riparian, hydropower, and environmental interests; state and local governments; the U.S. Congress; and the public at large.



Moses-Saunders Dam in Massena, NY; Cornwall, Ontario

### Project Requirements

- Funds help meet U.S. obligations under provisions of the International Boundary Waters Treaties and other international agreements between the United States and Canada, providing engineering technical support to IJC Boards and Committees.

### Consequences of Not Maintaining the Project

- Jeopardize meeting U.S. obligations under provisions of the International Boundary Waters Treaty of 1909 and the 1950 Niagara Treaty
- Suspension of operational tasks performed in support of the IJC and other vital interests
- Suspension or delay of data collection activities related to flood control operations/flood risk management and implementation/operational utilization of the District Corps Water Management System

**Project Importance**

➤ Funds provide direct support to the District Commander’s role as U.S. Chair of the International Niagara Working Committee, the U.S. Regulation Representative to the International Lake Ontario – St. Lawrence River Board, the U.S. Chair of the St. Lawrence Committee on River Gauging, and

the U.S. On-Site Representative of the International Niagara Committee.

➤ Funds provide direct support to the Division Commander’s role as Chairman of the International Lake Ontario – St. Lawrence River Board, Chairman of the International Niagara Board of Control, and Chairman of the International Niagara Committee.

**U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Fiscal Year (FY) 2017, 2018, and 2019  
Surveillance of Northern Boundary Waters (SNBW) — New York, Ohio, and Pennsylvania  
Project Requirements and President’s Budget (\$1,000)**

<b>Work Package</b>	<b>FY17 Requirement</b>	<b>FY17 Appropriation</b>	<b>FY18 Requirement</b>	<b>FY18 President’s Budget</b>	<b>FY19 Requirement</b>	<b>FY19 President’s Budget</b>
Surveillance of Northern Boundary Waters, NY	610	610	610	610	610	610
Surveillance of Northern Boundary Waters, OH	255	255	255	255	255	255
Surveillance of Northern Boundary Waters, PA	105	105	105	105	105	105
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>970</b>	<b>970</b>	<b>970</b>	<b>970</b>	<b>970</b>	<b>970</b>

**Congressional Interests**

- Representative Elise Stefanik R NY-21
- Representative Claudia Tenney R NY-22
- Representative Thomas Reed R NY-23
- Representative John Katko R NY-24
- Representative NY-25 (*vacant*)
- Representative Brian Higgins D NY-26
- Representative Chris Collins R NY-27
- Senator Kirsten E. Gillibrand D NY
- Senator Charles E. Schumer D NY
  
- Representative Mike Kelly R PA-3
- Senator Patrick J. Toomey R PA
- Senator Robert P. Casey D PA
  
- Representative Jim Jordan R OH-4
- Representative Robert E. Latta R OH-5
- Representative Marcy Kaptur D OH-9
- Representative Marcia L. Fudge D OH-11
- Representative David Joyce R OH-14
- Senator Rob Portman R OH
- Senator Sherrod Brown D OH