ENVIRONMENTAL CHALLENGES IN THE SAVANNAH HARBOR EXPANSION PROJECT

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The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Savannah District is working with the State of Georgia to deepen Savannah Harbor. The project was approved in 2012 and construction began in 2015. The project includes several project features which will be constructed over a number of years. As plans and specifications were developed for those features, the designs were refined, sometimes requiring new environmental approvals. This paper describes the changes sought in two major project features – the raw water impoundment and the dredging and placement of cadmium-laden sediments.

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