



U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS and the NATIONAL SOCIETY OF PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS PARTNERING AGREEMENT

Mission Statement

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) and the National Society of Professional Engineers (NSPE) seek through this agreement to promote our mutual engineering interests. We are committed to working together toward the following goals.

Goals

- 1. Promote the ethical and competent practice of engineering in the public interest.
- 2. Promote engineering quality through open communication, teamwork, and continuous improvement.
- 3. Advance the engineering profession through support of education and continuing professional development.
- 4. Promote the participation of diverse populations in the engineering profession.
- 5. Enhance the public's image of engineers and engineering.

This update to the original agreement, which was developed at a USACE/NSPE Partnering Meeting in Alexandria, Virginia on March 4-5, 1993, was completed and ratified November 5, 2002.

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Action Plan to Implement the USACE/NSPE Partnering Agreement

- 1.1 NSPE will develop a corporate proposal for the membership of Corps employees and the negotiation of a site license for the MGI PE Review Course.
- 2.1 NSPE reconstituted its agency advisory group in 2002 and the USACE will continue to be a leading participant among federal engineering executives.
- 2.2 NSPE and USACE will promote state society participation in meetings with Corps districts and Corps P.E. participation in state society activities (e.g. MATHCOUNTS, National Engineers Week, etc.).
- 2.3 NSPE will encourage Corps participation and involvement in the programs of NSPE Regional meetings.
- 2.4 NSPE and USACE will explore joint initiatives on the promotion of quality programs and the continuing value of standards for quality (e.g. ISO standards).
- 3.1 USACE and NSPE will seek to participate in each other's national meetings to provide professional development in areas of each groups' expertise and pursue issues of mutual interest to participants.
- 3.2 NSPE will seek with USACE opportunities to endorse enhancement of Math and Science Education policies.
- 3.3 USACE will endorse NSPE efforts to improve the compensation of federal engineers and promote recognition of achievement of P.E. licenses by federal agencies.
- 4.1 Share experiences of promoting the advancement of minorities and women in engineering to the end of developing joint programs (e.g., Glass Ceiling, MATHCOUNTS, etc.).
- 5.1 USACE will provide projects (including graphics and text) for the NSPE Sightseer's Guide to Engineering.
- 5.2 NSPE and USACE will work together for opportunities to promote the image of engineers through the NSPE American Engineering Campaign and USACE participation in National Engineers Week.