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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Delegation of Authority – Continuing Authorities Program (CAP) Approval Level for Locally Preferred Plans

1. Reference SACW memorandum (Request for Delegation of Authority – Approval Levels for Section 14, 103, 107, 204, 205, 206, 208 and 1135 Decision Documents; Locally Preferred Plan; and Costs in Excess of Federal Project Limit), 29 May 2024.
2. Background. The referenced memorandum delegates to me the authority to waive the requirement to recommend the National Economic Development (NED) or National Ecosystem Restoration (NER) Plan in favor of a Locally Preferred Plan (LPP). It also allows me to further delegate the approval of LPP policy waivers to Division Commanders.
3. Policy. To enable more timely decisions and realize anticipated benefits, this memorandum delegates to Division Commanders the authority to approve LPP policy waivers. Consistent with current policy, when the LPP has costs in excess of the NED or NER Plan, the decision document shall describe and compare the NED or NER Plan and the LPP, highlighting all differences. Your authority is further limited to cases where the non-federal sponsor has agreed to pay all costs over the federal share of the NED or NER Plan, and the LPP must have outputs similar in kind, and equal to or greater than the outputs of the federal plan.
4. Applicability. This memorandum applies to all CAP authorities where the recommended plan is the LPP but does not otherwise deviate from other policies outlined in reference 1. Approval of any decision document that deviates from policy will be retained by the Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Army for Civil Works. The Major Subordinate Command (MSC) will provide the Headquarters CAP Program Manager a copy of the policy waivers under this memorandum authority within 14 days of approval.
5. Quality Assurance and Oversight. This delegation is a component in the MSC Quality Assurance and Oversight audit responsibilities that will be addressed in forthcoming guidance.
6. Effective Period. This delegation will remain in effect until 1 June 2027 unless rescinded, cancelled, or reissued in writing before then.

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7. My point of contact for this action is Ms. Amy Babey, e-mail at amy.s.babey@usace.army.mil or 502-645-7199.



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