DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20314-1000

REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF:

CECW-AA

MEMORANDUM FOR COMMANDERS, MAJOR SUBORDINATE COMMANDS

SUBJECT: Implementation Guidance for Section 216 of the Water Resources Development Act of 1999 (WRDA 99)

1. Section 216 of WRDA 99 amends Section 206 of the Flood Control Act of 1960 by inserting the following subsection: "(b) FLOOD PREVENTION COORDINATION.- The Secretary shall coordinate with the Director of the Federal Emergency Management Agency and the heads of other Federal agencies to ensure that flood control projects and plans are complementary and integrated to the extent practicable and appropriate." A copy of the complete text is enclosed for your information.

2. The requirements of Section 216 of WRDA 99, as amended, are consistent with other laws and the longstanding policies of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to undertake interagency coordination during the earliest stages of the project development process and during the final decision making process (see ER 1105-2-100). You should continue to ensure that this interagency coordination is accomplished in an appropriate manner to further wise floodplain management. In addition, future reports should document that such coordination took place and describe how the flood control project or plan is complementary and integrated to the extent practicable and appropriate with the projects and programs of other agencies.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

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