



US Army Corps
of Engineers
Wilmington District

AIWW – Snow's Cut Plan Update, NC (Navigation) (O&M)

- **Snow's Cut Channel is the portion of the AIWW which connects Cape Fear River to Myrtle Grove Sound located near Carolina Beach, NC**



CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT: NC 7

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1. **AUTHORIZATION:** River and Harbor Acts of 1912, 1927, and 1937, as amended.
2. **LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION:** The Atlantic Intracoastal Waterway (AIWW) is located on the east coast of the United States, between Norfolk, Virginia and the St. Johns River, Florida. The section within North Carolina begins at the Virginia-North Carolina state line and extends generally southerly and southwestwardly to North Carolina-South Carolina state line, a total of 308 channel miles. The authorized project consists of a waterway, 12 feet deep, with varying widths of 90 to 300 feet. The Snow's Cut channel is the stretch of AIWW which connects Myrtle Grove Sound located in the vicinity of Carolina Beach to the Cape Fear River.
3. **ISSUE AND OTHER INFORMATION:** The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers has initiated an to update the Snow's Cut Master Plan. The Master Plan provides the Corps with guidance and direction on land classification and management, existing and future opportunities, and resource inventories. Master plans are updated to provide accurate goals and guidance for the area. The master plan update will consider all of the project's existing natural, cultural, physical resources and the use by the public and the results that proposed changes may have on these resources and the public. It is important to note that master plans deal in concepts, not in details of design or specific uses. The planning process includes adherence to the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended, (NEPA) and will include an environmental assessment.

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4. **CURRENT STANDING**: The Corps is in the process of developing and coordinating the draft master plan update. It is anticipated that the plan will be coordinated for public review in the spring of 2015.