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WATER RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT ACT OF 1992



**SELECTED PROVISIONS OF THE WATER RESOURCES
DEVELOPMENT ACT OF 1992**

[As Amended Through P.L. 106–580, Dec. 29, 2000]

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE; TABLE OF CONTENTS.

(a) **SHORT TITLE.**—This Act may be cited as the “Water Resources Development Act of 1992”.

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**TITLE II—GENERALLY APPLICABLE
PROVISIONS**

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**SEC. 203. VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS FOR ENVIRONMENTAL AND
RECREATION PROJECTS.**

(a) **ACCEPTANCE.**—In connection with carrying out a water resources project for environmental protection and restoration or a water resources project for recreation, the Secretary is authorized to accept contributions of cash, funds, materials, and services from persons, including governmental entities but excluding the project sponsor.

(b) **DEPOSIT.**—Any cash or funds received by the Secretary under subsection (a) shall be deposited into the account in the Treasury of the United States entitled “Contributions and Advances, Rivers and Harbors, Corps of Engineers (8662)” and shall be available until expended to carry out water resources projects described in subsection (a).

(33 U.S.C. 2325)

SEC. 204. BENEFICIAL USES OF DREDGED MATERIAL.

(a) **IN GENERAL.**—The Secretary is authorized to carry out projects for the protection, restoration, and creation of aquatic and ecologically related habitats, including wetlands, in connection with dredging for construction, operation, or maintenance by the Secretary of an authorized navigation project.

(b) **SECRETARIAL FINDINGS.**—Subject to subsection (c) of this section, projects for the protection, restoration, or creation of aquatic and ecologically related habitats may be undertaken in any case where the Secretary finds that—

(1) the environmental, economic, and social benefits of the project, both monetary and nonmonetary, justify the cost thereof; and

(2) the project would not result in environmental degradation.