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**SUBJECT:** Levee Safety Technical Center of Expertise Establishment

**APPLICABILITY:** For Information.

## 1. References

- a. Engineer Regulation (ER) 1110-1-8158, Centers of Expertise Program, 1 April 2022
- b. ER 1165-2-217, Civil Works Review Policy, 2 September 2024
- c. ER 1110-2-1150, Engineering and Design for Civil Works Projects, 31 August 1999
- d. Engineer Circular (EC) 1165-2-218, Levee Safety Program, 26 November 2024

2. **Purpose.** This Engineering Construction Bulletin (ECB) announces the establishment of the Levee Safety Technical Center of Expertise (TCX). The Levee Safety TCX will be established in the Engineering Division at the District Office in Vicksburg, MS.

3. **Background.** Levees play a critical role in the U.S Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) Flood and Coastal Risk Management mission to protect lives by safeguarding communities from the harmful impacts of inland flooding and coastal storms, reducing vulnerabilities, enhancing resilience, and reducing risk to property and natural resources. USACE is also responsible for 1,600 existing levees and works in partnership with levee sponsors to ensure they continue to reduce flood risk to people, businesses, critical infrastructure, and the environment. The Levee Safety Center has supported the agency's levee-related activities since 2012 in an unofficial center of expertise capacity. Headquarters U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (HQUSACE) has identified a need to support Districts in levee related subject matter expertise, lessons learned, resolution to unique technical issues, implementing risk-informed design, and input on the application of the evolving levee best practices. In accordance with reference a., HQUSACE approved the establishment of a Levee Safety TCX to support these needs on 27 January 2026.

4. **Mission.** The primary focus of the Levee Safety TCX is to provide support to USACE Districts, Major Subordinate Commands (MSC), Centers of Expertise and HQUSACE in best practices, tools, training, design and construction, and risk assessments related to levees and the Levee Safety Program. The support provided by the Levee Safety TCX is voluntary, upon request.

5. **Roles and Responsibilities.** CE-EC is the HQUSACE proponent organization for the Levee Safety TCX. CE-EC will effectively coordinate with the Levee Safety TCX Technical Lead to provide overall technical monitoring of the TCX. USACE MSCs will ensure appropriate evaluation and use of the TCX in levee related activities in accordance with reference a.,

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reference b., reference c., and reference d. The director of the Levee Safety TCX will ensure the TCX executes its mission effectively and efficiently in accordance reference a.

6. **Update.** No additional policy updates are necessary as this is for information only.

7. **Points of Contact.** HQUSACE point of contact for this ECB is Travis Tutka, (202) 761-5731, [travis.c.tutka@usace.army.mil](mailto:travis.c.tutka@usace.army.mil). Technical point of contact for this ECB is Noah Vroman (601) 631-5919, [noah.d.vroman@usace.army.mil](mailto:noah.d.vroman@usace.army.mil).

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