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The First Interagency Workshop on the Beneficial Uses of Dredged Material was held in Pensacola, Fla., on 7-9 October 1986. It was sponsored by the Dredging Division of the Water Resources Support Center, US Army Corps of Engineers (CE), with cooperating agencies, the National Marine Fisheries Service, US Fish and Wildlife Service, and US Environmental Protection Agency.

Basic workshop objectives were to improve awareness and acceptability of beneficial use options for dredged material disposal; to discuss past, current, and future beneficial use applications; to identify innovative and untested beneficial uses; and to contribute to the development of a logical beneficial use strategy reflected in long-term planning and management. Foremost for all participants at the workshop was the creation and cultivation of an atmosphere of cooperation, communication, and coordination among Federal and State...
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Agencies, the dredging industry, port and maritime administrations, and public and private concerns.

Agency and industry overviews were presented and panels were held on the first day, highlighted by a keynote address by MG Henry J. Hatch, Director of Civil Works, CE. Three technical sessions on habitat development applications, industrial and commercial applications, and special applications and concepts were held the second day, followed by informal discussion groups for each session. Session summaries and wrapup panels completed the workshop on the third day, which was followed by two highly informative tours of Gaillard Island Confined Disposal Facility and Mobile Harbor, Alabama, and the Perdido Key Beach Nourishment Project, Florida.

Workshop participants arrived at several important conclusions: (a) beneficial uses already made have been significant; (b) the CE could do more with the beneficial uses concept if it had greater authority to do so; (c) in some areas such as marine fisheries, there are still needs for baseline data on beneficial use sites; (d) every effort to continue seeking beneficial uses should be made; (e) every effort to continue close communication, cooperation, and coordination with other agencies, offices, and concerns must be made; and (f) another interagency workshop should be held in 12 to 18 months.