

Biographical Sketch

John L. Childs, P.E.

Mr. John L. Childs is a senior Research Civil Engineer for the US Army Corps of Engineers, Engineer Research and Development Center (ERDC) in Vicksburg, Mississippi. John has been a licensed civil and environmental engineer since 1994 and is currently located in Portland Oregon at the Northwestern Division office as a satellite employee for the Environmental Laboratory of ERDC. His research is focused on dredged material management, specifically beneficial use of dredged material. John is leading the effort to update and combine the Ocean Testing Manual and Inland Testing Manual into one comprehensive USACE/USEPA document that includes guidelines for testing, assessment, and management of dredged material in the aquatic environment. Prior to employment with ERDC in 2010, John had 20 years of combined experience with the private sector and a Port Authority, where project work included management of clean and contaminated sediments throughout the US, as well as British Columbia, Canada and Newcastle, Australia. He has been lead or a team member of multiple sampling plans, Section 401/404 of the Clean Water Act permit applications, remedial investigation reports, feasibility studies, dredged material management plans, health and safety plans, dredging designs, and more than 15 technical publications. John has sat on several Value Engineering Review Teams and was recently selected as the Subcommittee Chair for the Dredging Operations Subcommittee of the Coasts, Oceans, Ports and Rivers Institute of the American Society of Civil Engineers.



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