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The records contain valuable historical information relating to the environment, including land use, natural resources, water, and wildlife, as well as scientific and technological advances in aeronautics, atomic energy, civil and marine engineering, and public health.

Records in the National Archives at Atlanta are not arranged according to subject but are kept in numbered record groups established for the government agencies that created or received them. Although arrangement by record group (abbreviated RG) makes subject access more difficult at times, it preserves the organizational and contextual integrity of the records, making them more easily understood.

The following records are but a small sampling of the science and technology records available at the National Archives at Atlanta.

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# Records of the Bureau of Agricultural Engineering

Record Group 8

1905 – 1915

- **General Agency Information:**

**Established:** In the Department of Agriculture, effective July 1, 1931, by the Agricultural Appropriation Act (46 Stat. 1266), February 23, 1931.

**Predecessor Agencies:**

- Office of Irrigation Inquiry, Department of Agriculture (1890-96)
- In the Office of Experiment Stations, Department of Agriculture:
  - Irrigation Investigations Division (1898-1904)
  - Irrigation and Drainage Division (1904-7)
  - Irrigation Investigations Division (1907-15)
  - Drainage Investigations Division (1907-15)
    - In the Office of Farm Management, Bureau of Plant Industry, Department of Agriculture:
      - Rural Engineering Investigations Division (1908-15)
      - In the Office of Public Roads and Rural Engineering (Bureau of Public Roads after July 1918), Department of Agriculture:
        - Irrigation Investigations Division (1915-21)
        - Drainage Investigations Division (1915-21)
        - Rural Engineering Investigations Division (1915-21)
        - Division of Agricultural Engineering (1921-31)

**Functions:** Conducted research and investigated the application of principles of civil and mechanical engineering in the areas of irrigation, drainage, and farm structures and machinery (rural engineering).

Research in irrigation, drainage, hydrology, and soil erosion were transferred to the Soil Conservation Service and the Bureau of Plant Industry, 1935 and 1938.

**Abolished:** By merger with the Bureau of Chemistry and Soils to form the Bureau of Agricultural Chemistry and Engineering, pursuant to Secretary of Agriculture's Memorandum No. 789, October 16, 1938, and the Agricultural Appropriation Act (53 Stat. 959), June 30, 1939.

**Successor Agencies:** Bureau of Agricultural Chemistry and Engineering, Soil Conservation Service, Bureau of Plant Industry.

- **Records in the National Archives at Atlanta:**

Field Office Correspondence, 1905-1915. ARC Identifier 1693146. This series contains public and internal correspondence and reports relating to supplies, fiscal matters, drainage surveys conducted in Florida, Mississippi, and Louisiana, and bridge bond survey questionnaires for various states. Includes letters sent and received from Washington, weekly field reports, road and bridge bond surveys, field correspondence, and staff correspondence. Topics covered by these documents relate to the Big Black River Survey in Mississippi and Alabama, the Cypress Creek Drainage District in Arkansas, and the drainage surveys conducted on the Florida Everglades.

Within the field office correspondence are:

- Records of Lewis Jones, Drainage Engineer in charge of the Big Black River Survey in Alabama, 1913. Jones established his early base of operations in Durant, Mississippi, but later moved to Montgomery, Alabama and to other locations as the work of the Survey required. The records also include correspondence when Jones was stationed in Bonners Ferry, Idaho, 1915.
- Records of C.G. Elliot, Chief of Drainage investigators, Office of Experiment Stations, USDA, relating to the drainage survey of the Florida Everglades, 1907-1909, carried out by J.O. Wright of New Orleans, Louisiana. The records consist of correspondence between Elliot and other USDA officials, members of Congress, Governor Broward of Florida, other state and local officials, the public, and Wright, and concern Wright's 1905 appointment to conduct the survey, the work of the survey project itself, and subsequent requests for copies of the survey report.

# Records of the U.S. Railroad Administration

Record Group 14

1917 – 1921

- **General Agency Information:**

**Established:** As an independent agency by Presidential Proclamation 1419, December 26, 1917, under authority of the Army Appropriation Act (39 Stat. 645), August 29, 1916.

**Functions:** Operated such railroads, coastwise steamship lines, inland waterways, and telephone and telegraph companies as were seized by the government in the interest of national defense. Entered into compensatory agreements with seized carriers pursuant to the Federal Control Act (40 Stat. 451), March 21, 1918.

Railroads and other seized carriers were returned to private control on March 1, 1920, under terms of the Transportation Act (41 Stat. 470), February 28, 1920. USRA functions thereafter concerned with liquidation and final settlement of accounts.

**Abolished:** By Reorganization Plan No. II of 1939, effective July 1, 1939.

**Successor Agencies:** Office of the Secretary of the Treasury.

- **Records in the National Archives at Atlanta:**

Division of Law, Correspondence of the Regional Director, 1917-1920. This series contains correspondence and reports between several offices about various topics including: repairs, extra parts, needed materials, operations of different railroad lines (including the Western Pacific and the Southern Pacific), and shipments of goods. Series also contains letters from commissary department regarding the management of several hotels.

Correspondence of the Regional Counsel, 1920-1921. ARC Identifier 4499565. This series contains correspondence of Regional Counsel Victor Lamar Smith, relative to the railroad cases involving the United States Railroad Administration. It includes correspondence concerning claims of the United States against individual railroad companies and vice versa. Much of the correspondence includes loss and damage claims submitted by railroads on a monthly basis. The correspondence also includes advice to the individual railroad companies about legal settlements in cases in which the United States Railroad Administration was a codefendant in its capacity as overseer of the railroads. Included in these cases are early class action suits regarding routes and fares.



## Records of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

Record Group 22

1805 – 1999

- **General Agency Information:**

**Established:** In the Department of the Interior, effective July 1, 1974, by the Fish and Wildlife Act of 1956 Amendments (88 Stat. 92), April 22, 1974, redesignating the Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife.

**Predecessor Agencies:**

- In the Department of the Treasury:
  - Office of the Secretary of the Treasury (1868-71)
  - Revenue Marine Division (1871-94)
  - Revenue Cutter Service (1894-1903)
  - In the Department of Commerce and Labor:
    - Division of Alaska Fisheries (1903-5; to Bureau of Fisheries, 1905)
    - Alaska Fur Seal Service (1903-8; to Bureau of Fisheries, 1908)
- Fish:
  - Office of U.S. Commissioner of Fish and Fisheries (U.S. Fish Commission, 1871-1903)
  - Bureau of Fisheries, Department of Commerce and Labor (1903-13)
  - Bureau of Fisheries, Department of Commerce (1913-39)
  - Bureau of Fisheries, Department of the Interior (1939-40)
- Wildlife:
  - In the Department of Agriculture:
    - Section of Economic Ornithology, Division of Entomology (1885-86)
    - Division of Economic Ornithology and Mammalogy (1886-91)
    - Division of Ornithology and Mammalogy (1891-96)
    - Division of Biological Survey (1896-1905)
    - Bureau of Biological Survey (1905-39)
  - In the Department of the Interior:
    - Bureau of Biological Survey (1939-40)
- Fish and wildlife (consolidated):
  - In the Department of the Interior:
    - Wild Life Survey, Berkeley, CA, Field Office, National Park Service (NPS, 1929-34)
    - Wild Life Division, Branch of Research and Education (BRE), NPS (1934)
    - Wildlife Division, BRE, NPS (1934-39; to Bureau of Fisheries and Bureau of Biological Survey, Department of the Interior, 1939)
    - Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS, 1940-56)
    - United States Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS, 1956-70)
    - Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife/USFWS (1970-74)

**History:** Originally headquarters of Bureau of Biological Survey Region 7 (Southeastern), 1937-39, became headquarters of FWS Region 4, 1940, and Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife Region 4 (Southeast), 1956. In 1972 had jurisdiction over states of AL, AR, FL, GA, KY, LA,

MD, MS, NC, SC, TN, and VA, plus Puerto Rico. Lost responsibility for MD and VA to Region 1 (Boston, MA) and for AR and LA to Region 2 (Albuquerque, NM), January 1, 1973. Assigned responsibility for the Virgin Islands, 1974. Regained responsibility for AR and LA, 1975. No change in area of jurisdiction since 1975.

**Functions:** Administers federal laws and programs for the control and conservation of fish, game birds, and other forms of wildlife. Provides federal aid to the states for wildlife restoration. Manages a national wildlife refuge system.

- **Records in the National Archives at Atlanta:**

Office of the Regional Director, consisting of General Correspondence, 1942-1948, and Subject Files, 1928-1941. Records contain reports, news releases, public relations correspondence, speeches, lectures, memos, bulletins, and publications.

Office of the Regional Director, Wildlife Research, 1943-1952. This series contains reports and investigations of various animal populations and covers such topics as diet evaluations, disease, growth and decline of population size, etc.

Regional Headquarters, Division of River Basin Studies, relating to river basin projects, including reports supporting the work of the U.S. Study Commission – Southeast River Basins, 1958-1968. Records pertain to the impact of proposed developments along the Atlantic coast on water quality. Included are budget information, correspondence, project study files, publications, reports, and technical articles.

River Basin Studies, Wetlands, 1946-1956. Consists of records supporting the work of the Arkansas-White-Red River Basins Interagency Committee, established in June, 1950, to develop comprehensive and integrated plans of water resource development and management for several river basins. Included are correspondence, studies, reports, and records related to wetlands.

Commission for the Conservation of Shrimp in the Eastern Gulf of Mexico, (Tortugas Shrimp Commission), 1957-1961. The records document the management of the Tortugas shrimp fishery and the negotiations between the United States and Cuba concerning the fishery. Included are correspondence, texts of the U.S.-Cuban convention, and reports on shrimp fisheries and shrimp populations within and outside the treaty area.

## Records of the Coast and Geodetic Survey

Record Group 23

1807 – 1892

- **General Agency Information:**

**Established:** In the Department of the Treasury by an act of June 20, 1878 (20 Stat. 215).

**Predecessor Agencies:**

- Survey of the Coast, Department of the Treasury (1816-18)
- Department of the Navy (coast surveys, 1818-32)
- Survey of the Coast, Department of the Treasury (1832-34)
- Survey of the Coast, Department of the Navy (1834-36)
- Coast Survey, Department of the Treasury (1836-78)

**Functions:** Surveyed and charted the coasts of the United States and its possessions. Studied tides and currents. Compiled aeronautical charts. Conducted scientific research on terrestrial magnetism, gravity, and seismology.

**Abolished:** By Reorganization Plan No.4 of 1970, effective October 3, 1970, which transferred personnel and functions of ESSA to newly established National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Department of Commerce.

**Successor Agencies:** National Ocean Survey, NOAA, Department of Commerce (1970-82); National Ocean Service, NOAA, Department of Commerce (1983- ).

- **Records in the National Archives at Atlanta:**

Letters Sent by Author Collyer, 1891-1892. The records inform the Superintendent or Disbursing Agent of the Coast and Geodetic Survey about tidal matters at Tybee Island. They consist of a single volume of letters.

Report of Survey of Coast of North Carolina, 1807. The records of William Tatham concern the survey of the coast of North Carolina from Cape Fear to Cape Hatteras. The record is an 1807 Narrative Report to Treasury Secretary Albert Gallatin, who appointed Tatham to the survey post. Record is 1 reel of microfilm.

## **Records of the Weather Bureau**

Record Group 27

1873 – 1950

- **General Agency Information:**

**Established:** In the Department of Agriculture by an act of October 1, 1890 (26 Stat. 653).

**Predecessor Agencies:**

- Smithsonian Institution (meteorological functions, 1847-70)

**Functions:** Provided basic weather service in support of federal agencies and the general public, including weather forecasting and collecting, and disseminating temperature, rainfall, and climatic data for the United States.

**Abolished:** By Department of Commerce Organization Order 25-5A, effective October 9, 1970.

**Successor Agencies:** National Weather Service, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce.

- **Records in the National Archives at Atlanta:**

U.S. Army Signal Service weather station in Macon, Georgia, 1873-1883. The records document daily meteorological conditions and consist of a single volume of observations.

U.S. Army Signal Service weather station at Kitty Hawk, North Carolina, 1878-1897 (with gaps), the Weather Bureau station at Kitty Hawk, North Carolina, 1886-1904, and Letters Received at Kitty Hawk, 1879-1901. The records document meteorological observation activities and operations. The records are a volume of forms providing dates and times of storm signals hoisted, letters received from Signal headquarters in Washington and from local suppliers and the public, meteorological observations, and monthly reports.

Weather Bureau station at Kitty Hawk and Weather Headquarters in Washington, 1899-1901, 1908, 1927-1940, 1950. ARC Identifier 279327. The records document early experiments by Orville and Wilbur Wright at Kitty Hawk and subsequent memorial at Kill Devil Hill, North Carolina. These records are correspondence, manuscript, press communications, and press clippings. The records include handwritten and typewritten press reports created by Messrs. Newton for the New York Herald; Hoster for the New York American; Macgowan for the London Daily Mail; Harr for Colliers Weekly; and Salley for the Norfolk Landmark. The press reports cover a number of test flights conducted in May, 1908. Also included in some of the reports is specific mechanical and avionic information. Additionally, there are copies of responses from the Weather Bureau to the Wright Brothers concerning weather data.

U.S. Army Signal Service weather station at Fort Macon, North Carolina, 1878-1887 and Meteorological Observations, 1873-1883. The records document meteorological observation activities and consist of correspondence and a register.

# Records of the Secretary of the Interior

Record Group 48

1933 – 1970

- **General Agency Information:**

**Established:** In the Department of the Interior by the Department of the Interior Act (9 Stat. 395), March 3, 1849.

**Predecessor Agencies:**

- Administration of general land laws:
  - Office of the Secretary of the Treasury (direct administration, 1789-1812)
  - General Land Office, Department of the Treasury (1812-49)
- Supervision of Indian affairs:
  - Office of the Secretary of War (direct supervision, 1789-1824)
  - Bureau of Indian Affairs, War Department (1824-32)
  - Office of the Commissioner of Indian Affairs, War Department (1832-49)
- Administration of organized territories:
  - Office of the Secretary of State (1789-1873)
- Administration of patent laws:
  - Patent Board (1790-93)
  - Office of the Secretary of State (issuance of patents, 1793-1802)
  - Superintendent of Patents, Department of State (1802-36)
  - Patent Office, Department of State (1836-49)
- Administration of the census:
  - President of the United States (1st-6th Censuses, 1790-1840)
  - Office of the Secretary of State (7th-9th Censuses, 1850-70)
- Supervision of public facilities and areas (Washington, DC):
  - Commissioners for the District of Columbia (1790-1802)
  - Superintendent of the City of Washington (1802-16)
  - Commissioners Appointed to Supervise the Repair or Rebuilding of the Public Buildings in Washington (1815-16)
  - Commissioner of Public Buildings (1816-49)
- Administration of military pension laws:
  - Military Bounty Lands and Pension Branch, War Department (ca. 1810-15)
  - Pension Bureau, War Department (1815-33)
  - Office of the Commissioner of Pensions, War Department (1833-49)

**Functions:** Supervises all operations and activities of the Department of the Interior and its constituent units, including the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, National Park Service, U.S. Geological Survey, Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Minerals Management Service, Bureau of Land Management, and Bureau of Reclamation; and, through the Office for Territorial and International Affairs, exercises departmental jurisdiction over U.S. dependencies. Supervised the U.S. Bureau of Mines and its predecessor, the Bureau of Mines, 1910-25 and 1934-96. Supervised the National Biological Service (NBS) and its predecessor, the National Biological Survey, November 11, 1993-September 30, 1996, when NBS was transferred to U.S. Geological Survey and redesignated

Biological Resources Division, effective October 1, 1996, by Secretary's Order 3202, September 30, 1996.

Departmental responsibility for the Census Bureau transferred to the Department of Commerce and Labor, 1903; for superintending the U.S. Capitol Building and Grounds, to the Architect of the Capitol, 1921; for the Patent Office, to the Department of Commerce, 1925; for military pensions, to the Veterans Administration, 1930; for the Office of Education, to the Federal Security Agency, 1939; and for St. Elizabeth's Hospital, Freedmen's Hospital, Howard University, and Columbia Institution for the Deaf (Gallaudet University), to the Federal Security Agency, 1940.

- **Records in the National Archives at Atlanta:**

Oil Enforcement Branch, Subject Files, Schedule of Cases, and Enforcement Case Files, 1933-1935. These series contain correspondence, reports, minutes, and schedules concerning the enforcement of oil and petroleum legislation and policies. Records concern the interpretation of the Code of Fair Competition for Petroleum Industry, code violators, and investigations into submitted complaints. The majority of enforcement cases deal with violations concerning hours and wages, equipment, posting irregularities, and discounts.

Regional Coordinator, Committee and Council Files, 1965-1970, Operational Survival Plans, 1958, and Emergency Resources Management Plans, 1951-1958. Records deal with civil defense measures for various states across the Southeast. These series are mostly manuals for minimizing loss of life and damage to property as well as the reestablishment and stabilization of goods and services such as welfare, health, engineering, food, gas, transportation, etc. after a nuclear attack. Also includes instructions for consumer rationing of such goods as water, gas, manpower, petroleum, electric power, and food.

Regional Coordinator, Subject Files, 1964-1968. This series consists mainly of reports and studies, newsletters, memoranda, meeting minutes, bulletins, and manuals. This series of records covers a wide variety of topics including water pollution control, commercial fisheries, geological surveys, research and development files, water acquisition data, water quality reports, legislation, pesticide use, topographic mapping, and land management issues including land use statistics for recreation, wildlife, and mineral production. Additional topics include the governmental role in developing an electric power supply, information about various river basins across the country such as the Arkansas-Red-White River Basin, the Columbia Basin, the Missouri Basin and several others. Basin information includes power planning, reports of Corps of Engineers activities, hydrologic data, and natural resource data such as mineral, land, and water.

# Records of the Bureau of Plant Industry, Soils, and Agricultural Engineering

Record Group 54

1913 – 1929

- **General Agency Information:**

**Established:** In the Agricultural Research Administration (ARA), Department of Agriculture, by ARA Memorandum 5, February 13, 1943, pursuant to EO 9069, February 23, 1942, and Secretary's Memorandums 960, December 14, 1941, and 986, February 25, 1942.

**Predecessor Agencies:**

- Agricultural Section, Patent Office (1839-62)
- In the Department of Agriculture:
  - Research in plant cultivation and utilization:
    - Division of Gardens and Grounds (1862-1900)
    - Division of Seeds (1868-1900)
    - Division of Botany (1869-1900)
    - Division of Pomology (1886-1900)
    - Section of Vegetable Pathology, Division of Botany (1887-90)
    - Division of Vegetable Pathology (1890-95)
    - Division of Vegetable Physiology and Pathology (1895-1900)
    - Division of Agrostology (1895-1900)
    - Office of Plant Industry (1900-1)
    - Bureau of Plant Industry (BPI, 1901-43), in the Agricultural Research Administration (1942-43)
  - Research on soils and agricultural engineering:
    - Division of Chemistry (1862-1901)
    - Bureau of Chemistry (1901-27)
    - Division of Agricultural Soils, Weather Bureau (1894-95)
    - Division of Agricultural Soils (1895-97)
    - Division of Soils (1897-1901)
    - Bureau of Soils (1901-27)
    - Bureau of Chemistry and Soils (1927-38)
    - Bureau of Agricultural Engineering (1931-38)
    - Bureau of Agricultural Chemistry and Engineering (BACE, 1938-43)
    - BACE, Agricultural Research Administration (1942-43)

**Functions:** Conducted research on agricultural (farming and gardening) and forestry problems in such areas as crops, soils, machinery, storage, transportation, and housing.

**Abolished:** By Secretary's Memorandum 1320, supplement 4, November 2, 1953.

**Successor Agencies:** Agricultural Research Service (ARS), Forest Service.

- **Records in the National Archives at Atlanta:**

Sugar-Plant Field Experiment Station, Cairo, Georgia, 1913-1929. The records relate to experiments investigating factors affecting the production and improvement of sugar-producing

plants, including the control of diseases, breeding and importation of varieties, methods of sugar-plant culture, equipment for better handling and utilization of the raw material and by-products, and the proper relationship between sugar crops and other farm activities. The records are primarily correspondence and reports.



## **Records of the U.S. Bureau of Mines**

Record Group 70

1917 – 1970

- **General Agency Information:**

**Established:** In the Department of the Interior by the National Geologic Mapping Act of 1992 (106 Stat. 172), May 18, 1992.

**Predecessor Agencies:**

- Fuels Division, Technologic Branch, Geological Survey, Department of the Interior (1907-10)
  - Bureau of Mines (BM), Department of the Interior (DOI, 1910-25)
  - BM, Department of Commerce (1925-34)
  - BM, DOI (1934-92)

**Functions:** Administered research programs to improve extraction, processing, distribution, and utilization of mineral resources. Collected, compiled, analyzed, and published statistical and economic information on all phases of nonfuel mineral resource development.

**Abolished:** By the Omnibus Consolidated Rescissions and Appropriations Act of 1996 (110 Stat. 1321), April 26, 1996, which appropriated \$64 million to cover closure expenses.

**Successor Agencies:** (1) U.S. Geological Survey, DOI (minerals information and analysis functions, formerly performed at USBM headquarters by Divisions of Mineral Commodities, International Minerals, and Statistics and Information Services, and by Office of Special Projects, and in Denver, CO, by Minerals Availability Field Office; and functions formerly performed by Division of Finance); (2) Bureau of Land Management, DOI (mineral assessments on public lands in Alaska; helium operations); and (3) Department of Energy (mine and mineral industry health and safety research, formerly performed at Pittsburgh [PA] and Spokane [WA] Research Centers; minerals extraction, processing, use, and disposal research and investigations, formerly performed at Pittsburgh [PA] and Albany [OR] Research Centers; and mineral waste reclamation research and investigations, formerly performed at Pittsburgh Research Center). All organizational components of Spokane Research Center, and of Pittsburgh Research Center except energy technology units, transferred from Department of Energy to National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH), an agency of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention of the Department of Health and Human Services, December 22, 1996.

- **Records in the National Archives at Atlanta:**

### **Records of the Southern Experiment Station**

Southern Experiment Station, University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, 1932-1955. Records concern research experiments conducted by the station and administrative operations of the station. Records are correspondence and technical manuscripts.

Old Mining Division, Tuscaloosa, Alabama, 1941-1947. Records relate to the search for and development of mineral resources to be used for the WWII Allied war effort. The records are contracts, correspondence, engineers' field notes and files, maps, project proposals and project

files (including the Army Quarry Project), reports (especially those prepared by metallurgist Ellis Hertzog) and surveys of coke production.

Chemist Reports, 1932-1949. ARC Identifier 2771729 . This series consists of research reports, experiment notes and technical data from the Southern Experiment Station primarily for use and publication by Associate Chemist, Dr. Ellis S. Hertzog. The records relate to the grindability and friability of coal; bloating clays; activated carbon; arsenic determination; and the dewatering of pulverized coal by the use of centrifuges. Records concern research experiments conducted by the station and administrative operations of the station. Records are correspondence and technical manuscripts.

Mining Project Records, 1942-1946. ARC Identifier 2800768. This series consists of mining project records, maps, drill logs, and reports. The records include trench drilling sampling and cost reports; drill logs; mineral identification reports; core records; mineral agreements; assay correspondence; contracts; and payrolls. The records include information concerning iron ores, manganese, mica, sand, clay, and other commercial use minerals.

Mining Files, 1942-1946. ARC Identifier 2794754. This series consists of project proposals, maps, war minerals reports, reports on mining methods, and correspondence concerning various mining activities. The records include references to accidents, contracts, project engineer's files, and correspondence within the Bureau of Mines and between the Southern Experiment Station and private individuals.

Engineer's Field Notes and Summary Reports, 1942-1950. ARC Identifier 2749572. This series consists of memoranda, reports, and field notes concerning mineral usage and exploration in the states of Alabama, Florida and Mississippi. These notes, summaries, and reports document Alabama red and brown iron ore, Florida beach sands, and Mississippi sand and gravel product usage, exploration and stockpile specifications.

Coke Production Surveys, 1932-1955. ARC Identifier 2734801. This series consists of correspondence, analysis reports, production surveys, and laboratory test data. Reports include analytical data from fuel research laboratories concerning shatter and screen analysis from various mines in Alabama, Tennessee and Virginia. Statistical and technical reports on briquetting, grindability, flotation and tipple sampling are included.

Records of Research Data, 1937-1960. ARC Identifier 2805902. This series consists of data collected from research projects conducted by the Bureau of Mines. The records include log books, indexes, notes and reports concerning agricultural waste, minerals, ores, thermal expansion and oxidations.

Army Quarry Projects, 1942-1951. ARC Identifier 2749582. This series consists of research data and related correspondence concerning techniques, equipment and quarry production specifications for military purposes. The project was a research investigation on the exploration and petrographic aspects of military quarrying which was conducted by the Demolitions Branch of the Army Engineer and Research and Development Laboratories and the Bureau of Mines. The purpose of the investigation was to prepare a manual for the guidance of front line troops in

location, development and operation of rock quarries for the production of road metal for military roads.

Appalachia Study Records, 1945-1964. ARC Identifier 3205367. This series consists of production data on asbestos, cement, kyanite, monazite, peat, phosphate rock, potash, sand and gravel, silver stone, thorium and other mining products. This series of production data was gathered in compliance of Public Law to be used in reporting strip and surface mining activities.

### **Records of Region VII Mineral Technology Division, 1943-1968**

The records document the role of the division in conducting research into metallurgical and ceramic processes, preparation methods, and uses of minerals, as well as the administration of the division. The records are correspondence and reports (1950-1954) and basic research data (1943-1968).

Administrative Correspondence, 1941-1955. ARC Identifier 2787863. This series consists of administrative correspondence and technical reports to and from the office of the Superintendent and Chief Engineer. The records include correspondence concerning mining projects; memos and letters to engineers and private individuals; and technical manuscripts for commercial utilization and investigations of ore exploration.

Correspondence Related to Prospector's Soil Samples, 1949-1953. ARC Identifier 2771750. This series consists of correspondence concerning rock and soil samples submitted to the Bureau of Mines for analytical testing identified by prospector's sample file number. The correspondence describes the types of minerals, ores and substances found in the sample such as garnet, iron ores, manganese, quartz and uranium. Additional comments as to commercial mining value of the materials and radioactive yields that would or would not be of interest to the Atomic Energy Commission are included.

Alabama Red Iron Ore Project Files, 1950-1952. ARC Identifier 2945989. This series consists of records pertaining to the exploration of red iron ore in St. Clair County, Alabama. The purpose of this project was to estimate the grade and tonnage of red iron ore reserves in the Birmingham area to obtain data on marginal ore and ferruginous sandstone reserves and their response to beneficiation processes. The types of records include notes, maps, drill logs, and correspondence within the Bureau and between the Bureau and property owners.

Correspondence Files, 1950-1954. ARC Identifier 2694379. This series consists of office correspondence, technical reports, agreements, and field investigations. Information concerning ferrous metals and alloys, drill samples and station histories are included.

Mica Resource Reports, 1953-1960. ARC Identifier 3164787. This series consists of reports and technical data on sources of mica in New England. The Bureau of Mines conducted a parallel project on mica resources in the southeastern states. Results of the New England project were used for inclusion in a combined report on mica resources.

Virginia Zinc Project Reports, 1956-1959. ARC Identifier 2839443. This series consists of records relating to the exploration of zinc in Smyth and Wythe counties in Virginia. The records are copies of reports, correspondence, contracts and diamond drilling data in conjunction with the Defense Minerals Exploration and Administration program.

Tennessee Zinc Project Reports, 1954-1958. ARC Identifier 3129026. This series consists of records relating to the exploration of zinc in Claiborne, Grainger, Hawkins, Jefferson, Knox, Monroe, and Union counties in Tennessee. The records are copies of warranty deeds, reports, correspondence, contracts, maps and drilling data created and collected in conjunction with the Defense Minerals Exploration and Administration program.

### **Records of Region VII Mining Division, 1949-1960**

The records concern exploration and development of mineral resources in the Southeast during the post-World War II era and operation of the division. Records are cooperative agreements between the Bureau and private mining firms, correspondence, and reports.

Correspondence Files, 1948-1950. ARC Identifier 2679017. This series consists of office correspondence, monthly progress reports, mineral exploration agreements, and analytical requests for mineral samples. Topics include mine safety, manganese investigations; Alabama oil drilling sites, and Georgia manganese investigations.

Contracts, Cooperative Agreements and Technical Reports, 1951-1960. ARC Identifier 2669167. This series consists of contract and cooperative agreements, correspondence, unpublished reports and related records concerning mining research and technical progress in the preparation and uses of minerals. Topics include the mining of spodumene ores, production of synthetic micaceous materials, and the agglomeration of iron ores. Reports contain summaries of activities and developments of the Bureau of Mines in addition to annual and monthly project reports submitted to the Tuscaloosa office.

### **Records of Region VII Fuels Technology Division, 1942-1970**

The records document the role of the division in conducting research concerning new processes and more efficient utilization of fuels (especially coal), and the administration of the division. The records include manuscripts, published reports of investigations, quarterly reports of coal preparation and coking investigations, other reports, and technical data.

Coal Carbonization and Preparation Reports, 1946-1960. ARC Identifier 2767289. This series consists of monthly, quarterly and annual reports prepared for the Bureau of Mines in Tuscaloosa, Alabama concerning the preparation and carbonization of coal, with particular emphasis on the expansion of these coals during coking. The reports document experimental procedures, studies, effects and details of the project and were distributed to all Bureau of Mines Regional Offices and Experiment Stations as informational resource and technological guides.

Experiment Stations Quarterly Reports, 1948-1960. ARC Identifier 2774979. This series consists of copies of quarterly reports from Bureau of Mines Experiment Stations throughout the

United States. Copies of these reports were circulated for their informational content describing activities and projects relating to fuel technology from Gorgas, Alabama; Denver, Colorado; Minneapolis, Minnesota; Grand Forks, North Dakota; Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; Nashville, Tennessee; Seattle, Washington; Morgantown, West Virginia; Laramie, Wyoming; and the District of Columbia.

Records Relating to Tuscaloosa Sole Ovens, 1948-1960. ARC Identifier 2733282. This series consists of records containing technical data collected during experimental tests of the Tuscaloosa Sole Oven. The records include drawings, flotation test data, carbonizing tests, mixing data and work records from the coke laboratory. The test samples are from the various types of coal inherent to the region, including Mary Lee, Milldale, Blue Creek, and Black Creek.

Records Relating to Tuscaloosa Slot Ovens, 1949-1959. ARC Identifier 2723163. This series consists of oven survey data and notes documenting the type of coal, the name of the mine or company the coal was extracted from, the oven specifications, and coke shatter and impact tests.

Reports of Investigations , 1950-1960. ARC Identifier 2805777. This series consists of reports of investigation manuscripts written by Region VII personnel. Engineers and technicians submitted these manuscripts describing current research or investigation projects with supporting data. If the manuscript was approved, it was then published by the Bureau of Mines.

Manuscripts, 1952-1960. ARC Identifier 2770003. This series consists of manuscripts and supplemental research data compiled as reports of investigation and information circulars on specific topics and submitted to the Bureau of Mines. The manuscripts include studies of coal expansion and coke formation; experimental coke ovens; new trends in mining; and sulfur elimination on Pratt coal.

Quarterly Reports on Coal Preparation, Spectrometry, and Organic Chemistry, 1951-1960. ARC Identifier 2765705. This series consists of quarterly technical reports sent to the Bureau of Mines in Tuscaloosa, Alabama concerning bituminous coal, the preparation characteristics of American coals; preparation characteristics of coking coals and coal; spectrometric analysis of solid fuels; and organic chemistry reports on the manufacturing of oil from coal. The reports were produced under the direction of the Bureau of Mines, Eastern Field Operations facilities.

Monthly Reports , 1946-1959. ARC Identifier 2787765. This series consists of copies of monthly reports from the Coal Preparation Section which were submitted to the Regional Director. The reports often include a brief technical summary, problem resolution data, manuscript publication updates, and references to fuel technology personnel.

### **Records of Region VII Office of Mineral Industries, Knoxville, Tennessee, 1950-1967**

Records document production of firms mining asbestos, bauxite, coal, copper, feldspar, garnet, iron, limestone, mica, phosphate, sandstone, and tungsten and production from steel mills. Records are production reports, production tabulation sheets, questionnaires, reports, and surveys of activities of private firms.

Non-Coal Production Reports, 1952-1966. ARC Identifier 2838570. This series consists of questionnaires which were sent to private companies engaged in the mining of minerals other than coal. The information on the questionnaire includes: the name of the mine or plant; name and addresses of the operator of the property; quantity of minerals that were shipped; data documenting whether the mineral was for sale or the company's own use; selling prices; and chemical analyses.

Coal Production Reports, 1955-1959. ARC Identifier 2837747. This series consists of questionnaires which were sent to private companies engaged in coal mining for the purpose of reporting coal production. The information on the questionnaire includes: the name of the reporting company; a description of the mine; production quantity statistics in net tons; production and value by disposition; transportation via rail or water annotations; mechanical crushing data; and thermal drying information.

Mine and Quarry Reports, 1957-1966. ARC Identifier 2843032. This series consists of questionnaires which were sent to mine and quarry operators to report production, exploration, and activity status for a given year. Information on the form includes the name of the facility, activity status for the year, exploration and development data, and mining methods used.

Monthly Surveys , 1962-1963. ARC Identifier 2839105. This series consists of questionnaires which were sent to iron and steel foundries, blast furnaces, and steel and ingot producers. The inquiry was authorized by an Act of Congress (13USC) and was required under section 705 of the Defense Production Act of 1950. Information on the questionnaires includes: shipments and unfilled orders for castings statistics; production of steel castings and ingots by type of furnace totals; consumption of scrap iron and pig iron by type of furnace totals; and stock, production, receipt, and consumption by grades of scrap totals.

Water Canvass Forms, 1962-1963. ARC Identifier 2839029. This series consists of forms which were sent to private companies engaged in the mining of minerals, coal preparation, and plants using chemical and solution extraction methods which required water for manufacturing operations. The information on the form includes: the name of the mine or plant; name and addresses of the operator of the property; water intake of the operating unit; water supply by source and quantity; adequacy of the water supply; circulated water; water disposal; and the treatment of water.

Preliminary Reports, 1966. ARC Identifier 2843137. This series consists of forms which were created by Bureau of Mines to gather statistics for a mineral production publication. Operators of mines were asked to estimate the total production and market value of the commodity to be mined and to submit the data to the Bureau.

Annual Reports , 1966. ARC Identifier 2839417. This series consists of forms which were sent by the Bureau of Mines to mines, quarries, pits, mills and manufacturing companies associated with bituminous coal and lignite production in Tennessee. The information on the returned form includes the name and location of the facility, production data, shipment methods, and name of the purchaser.

## **Records of Region VII Office of Mineral Resources, Knoxville, Tennessee, 1942-1966**

Records document exploration and development of sources of minerals in the Southeast and elsewhere, including coal, oil, and natural gas in several southeastern states and at offshore sites: zinc in Virginia, iron ore in Alabama, mica in New England, and uranium in Chattanooga shale deposits. The records include correspondence, drill-hole logs, production reports, and project files. Non-textual records include property ownership maps.

Southern Brown Ore Project Records, 1962-1963. ARC Identifier 3164789. This series consists of correspondence concerning the extent and quality of brown iron ore reserves in Alabama and Georgia that could be developed and marketed. The correspondence includes letters to and from the Bureau of Mines; correspondence to and from property owners; property owner's reports; and ore analyses. The ore was economically important to the Birmingham iron production because of its high grade, low phosphorus and deleterious elements, and because it was an ideal blending ore for use with other limonitic and red iron ores.

## **Records of Regional Offices and Experiment Stations**

Mineral Report Register, 1943. ARC Identifier 3113831. The Mineral Report Register is an index tabulation of reports and other data relating to mines, mineral properties and beneficiation processes. Each report contains the property name, location data, a source code as to the originator of the information and file number.

Eufaula, Alabama Bauxite Project Drill Logs, 1943-1944. ARC Identifier 2770174. This series consists of drill logs for the state of Alabama concerning the Eufaula Bauxite Project initiated by the Bureau of Mines. Each log documents the name of the land owner; county of residence; elevation of drill hole; driller's name, date and time of sample drill; and description of the types of sand and soil surveyed.

# Records of the Office of the Chief of Engineers

Record Group 77

1738 – 1987

- **General Agency Information:**

**Established:** In the War Department by a letter of Secretary of War John C. Calhoun to the Chief of Engineers, Brig. Gen. Jonathan G. Swift, April 3, 1818, transmitting President Monroe's directive that a headquarters office be established in Washington, DC, for the Corps of Engineers, which had been separately established as an element of the U.S. Army by an act of March 16, 1802 (2 Stat. 132).

**Predecessor Agencies:**

- Of the Corps of Engineers, War Department:
  - Corps of Artillerists and Engineers (1794-1802)
- Of OCE, War Department:
  - Commandant, Corps of Artillerists and Engineers (1794-1802)
  - Chief of Engineers (also known as Commandant of the Corps of Engineers, Principal Engineer, and Chief Engineer, 1802-18)

**Functions:** Supervises the activities of the Corps of Engineers. Provides advice and assistance to the Secretary of the Army, the Chief of Staff and other members of the Army Staff, and other Department of the Army organizations. Provides general and specialized engineering services for the army, the Department of Defense, and other government agencies. Administers the civil works program, a comprehensive federal program for water resources development, including river and harbor improvements, flood control, and hydroelectric power. Supervised the U.S. Military Academy, West Point, NY, 1802-66.

- **Records in the National Archives at Atlanta:**

The records document both the military and civilian responsibilities of the OCE including maintaining and improving inland waterways and harbors, flood control, and operation of locks and dams. They provide extensive geological, hydrological, and economic data about sites of construction projects and their impact on the surrounding area. The records of each district or division office vary but generally include administrative records, civilian construction project files, engineering studies, field survey notebooks, information on funding, progress reports, topographical and hydrological data files, structural permit files, and test results. Non-textual records include engineering drawings, maps, photographs, and plans.

Mississippi River Commission (including records consolidated from The MRC and the Lower Mississippi Valley Division and from the Third Mississippi River Commission District), Vicksburg, Mississippi, 1879-1967. (Note: the headquarters of the MRC, 1879-1906, was wherever the MRC president was stationed [usually St. Louis, Missouri]; from 1906 to 1929, the headquarters was in St. Louis. From 1929 until the present, the headquarters has been located in Vicksburg.) The records relate to project work accomplished during each year as well as organizational matters within the Commission. Included are annual reports, correspondence, field survey books, hydrological and hydraulic data files, and tide gauge records for Biloxi,



Mississippi and East Bay, Louisiana. Non-textual records include charts, maps, and photographs.

**Records of the following districts and divisions:**

**Canaveral, Florida, 1963-1969**

Publications Record Set, 1963-1966. ARC Identifier 3432879. This series consists of the record set of publications issued by the district engineer to promulgate instructions and procedures. Items included in this series are district circulars, general and special orders, and other notices.

General Orders, 1967-1969. ARC Identifier 3539405. This series consists of general orders received by the district.

**Charleston, South Carolina, 1870-1978**

Civil Works Project Files, 1940-1978. ARC Identifier 3808836. This series consists of documents created in connection with the planning, design, and construction of specific civil works projects. The files may contain correspondence, authorizations, estimates, data surveys, blueprints, specification sheets, and contract bids.

Correspondence , 1871-1920. ARC Identifier 2794669 / Local Identifier Entries 1123 through 1139. This series consists of letters sent, letters received, and press copies of correspondence on topics such as Fort Moultrie, Fort Sumter, the Savannah River, harbor projects, supplies, fortifications, and sunken vessels.

Reports, 1878-1917. ARC Identifier 2794670 / Local Identifier Entries 1140 through 1147. This series consists of reports of operations, reports related to defenses, surveys, and river and harbor projects.

Conservation of Natural Resources Files, 1955-1977. ARC Identifier 3432835. This series consists of files collected concerning conservation of natural resources in or near waterways within the district.

**Huntsville, Alabama, 1967-1972**

**Jacksonville, Florida, 1807-1977**

Conservation of Natural Resources Files, 1959-1978. ARC Identifier 3432856. This series consists of files collected concerning conservation of natural resources in or near waterways within the district.

Civil Works Project Files, 1909-1977. ARC Identifier 4105222. This series consists of documents created in connection with the planning, design, and construction of specific projects. Records include project related correspondence, blueprints, specifications, contract bids,

authorizations, estimates, data surveys, cross section data, maps and engineering drawings concerned with the operation of locks and dams and other projects.

Navigable Waterways Files, 1908-1965. ARC Identifier 4105225. This series consists of documents on navigability as defined by law and pertaining to such matters as boundary waters, dumping grounds, bridges, and aids to navigation like dredging.

Field Notebook Relating to a Survey of Tampa Bay, 1896-1897. ARC Identifier 3540183 / Local Identifier Entry 1194. This series consists of a field notebook relating to a survey of Tampa Bay.

Civil Works Project Files, 1909-1977. ARC Identifier 4105222. This series consists of documents created in connection with the planning, design, and construction of specific projects. Records include project related correspondence, blueprints, specifications, contract bids, authorizations, estimates, data surveys, cross section data, maps and engineering drawings concerned with the operation of locks and dams and other projects.

Basic Topographic Data Files, 1912-1953. ARC Identifier 4105215. This series consists of project related correspondence, technical publications, special reports, field books, charts, topographical drawings, cross sections, and records dealing with river basins and watersheds.

Correspondence Relating to Fortifications, 1831-1931. ARC Identifier 2775149 / Local Identifier Entries 1161-1165, 1167-1174. This series consists of correspondence concerning fortifications and defenses in Jacksonville, St. Augustine (Fort Marion), Tampa Bay, Key West (Fort Taylor), the St. Johns River, and Miami.

Correspondence Relating to Rivers and Harbors, 1880-1923. ARC Identifier 2775148 / Local Identifier Entries 1154 through 1160. This series consists of letters sent, letters received, and press copies of correspondence to or from the Jacksonville, St. Augustine, and Tampa offices concerning river and harbor projects.

Climatological Data Files, 1940-1948. ARC Identifier 4105208 . This series consists of climatological studies mostly in the form of graphs.

Standard Permit Files, 1909-1952. ARC Identifier 2127205. This series consists of permit files pertaining to the request for permission by units of government and private citizens to undertake engineering projects in proximity to waterways in the jurisdiction of the district. The projects may include the construction of bridges, docks, wharves, and other structures, dredging, or the installation of transmission lines. The files may include correspondence, memorandums, reports, blueprints, notices and transcripts of public hearings, maps, and final notices concerning the granting of permits.

Comprehensive Reports and Studies, 1912-1953. ARC Identifier 4105205. This series consists of reports and studies concerning drainage, storms, and designs for waterway improvement projects.

Engineering Studies, 1930-1940. ARC Identifier 4105188. This series consists of engineering studies which are technical records consisting of field notes of surveys, field studies, transit books, level books, gauge readings, topographical surveys, dredging studies, soil test reports, triangulation studies, and plotted cross sections.

Correspondence Relating to Minor Projects and Functions, 1885-1916. ARC Identifier 2775152 / Local Identifier Entries 1175 through 1186. This series consists of letters sent, letters received, and press copies of correspondence to or from the Jacksonville, St. Augustine, and Tampa offices relating to subjects such as, dredges, snagboats, sunken vessels, surveys, examinations, supplies, funds, civilian personnel, and routine office matters.

Correspondence , ca. 1845-1923. ARC Identifier 2805993 / Local Identifier Entries 1196 through 1213. This series consists of letters sent, letters received, and press copies of correspondence to or from fortifications at Key West, Florida.

General Administrative Files, ca. 1845-1908. ARC Identifier 2805997 / Local Identifier Entries 1226 through 1236. This series consists of administrative records relating to fortifications at Key West, Florida. It includes correspondence, fiscal records, a log of sick and wounded at the engineer hospital during the Civil War, and a time book for the naval coal depot.

Reports, 1880-1920. ARC Identifier 2775168 / Local Identifier Entries 1187 through 1190. This series consists of reports of operations, press copies of annual reports, reports of changes in classified service, and reports on subjects considered to be of historical interest.

Civil Works and Military Construction Project Files, 1943-1952. ARC Identifier 4107899. This series consists of documents created in connection with the planning, design, and construction of specific civil works and military construction projects. Records include project related correspondence, blueprints, specifications, contract bids, authorizations, estimates, data surveys, cross section data, maps and engineering drawings.

Logs of Operations, 1893-1918. ARC Identifier 2775173 / Local Identifier Entries 1191 through 1192. This series consists of logs of work performed in dredging the Ocklawaha River, Charlotte Harbor, and Ybor Channel.

Civil Works Operation and Maintenance Files, 1936-1953. ARC Identifier 4105211 This series consists of project related correspondence, technical publications, special reports, field books, charts, topographical drawings, cross sections, and records dealing with river basins and watersheds.

### **Louisville, Kentucky, 1873-1976**

Basic Topographic Data Files, 1938-1952. ARC Identifier 3997692. This series consists of project related correspondence, technical publications, special reports, field books, charts, topographical drawings, cross sections, and records dealing with river basins and watersheds.

Engineering Studies, ca. 1886-1945. ARC Identifier 3999578. This series consists of engineering studies which are technical records consisting of field notes of surveys, field studies, transit books, level books, gauge readings, topographical surveys, dredging studies, soil test reports, triangulation studies, and plotted cross sections.

Civil Works Project Construction Files, 1939-1952. ARC Identifier 4105157. This series consists of project related correspondence, blueprints, specification sheets, contract bids, authorizations, estimates, and data surveys.

Civil Works Project Files, 1913-1975. ARC Identifier 4105158. This series consists of documents created in connection with the planning, design, and construction of specific projects. Records include project related correspondence, blueprints, specifications, contract bids, authorizations, estimates, data surveys, cross section data, maps and engineering drawings concerned with the operation of locks and dams and other projects.

Field Survey Notebooks, 1935-1948. ARC Identifier 2694509. This series consists of notebooks that contain technical data such as triangulation coordinates, distances, topographical notations, weather conditions, soundings, and rough drawings. The data recorded in the notebooks relate to locks and dams, dredging, harbor improvements, lake improvements, road relocation, and shore line improvements.

Hydrological and Hydraulic Data Files, 1938-1950. ARC Identifier 4000901. This series consists of hydrological and hydraulic data obtained from studies of various airfield and reservoir locations.

Historical Photographs, 1886-1962, documenting the period 1883-1962. ARC Identifier 3800017. This series consists of photographs primarily relating to projects on the Ohio River and the Kentucky River. These photographs document the building and maintenance of locks, dams, and bridges, as well as, extraordinary circumstances such as boating accidents and floods.

Standard Permit Files, 1902-1948. ARC Identifier 2694511. This series consists of permit files pertaining to the request for permission by units of government and private citizens to undertake engineering projects in proximity to waterways in the jurisdiction of the district. The projects may include the construction of bridges, docks, wharves, and other structures, dredging, or the installation of transmission lines. The files may include correspondence, memorandums, reports, blueprints, notices and transcripts of public hearings, maps, and final notices concerning the granting of permits.

Comprehensive Reports and Studies, 1911-1955. ARC Identifier 3997690. This series consists of drainage studies, storm studies, and designs and plans for the Jessamine Creek Reservoir and the Mining City Reservoir. There are also records pertaining to the Kentucky River at High Bridge, Kentucky and the Ohio Brush Creek.

Survey Report Files, 1931-1974. ARC Identifier 3999972. This series consists of documents concerning the preparation and submission of reports to Congress on surveys and review reports for rivers and harbors, flood control improvements, cooperative beach erosion control studies, and hurricane flood studies in connection with the planning of civil works projects.

Civil Works Real Estate Files, ca. 1886-1944. ARC Identifier 3997697. This series consists of real estate leases of private property negotiated by the Corps of Engineers for use in conjunction with civil works projects and includes claims of land owners and related correspondence relating to reimbursement for property damaged during the course of construction.

### **Memphis, Tennessee, 1902-1973**

Publications Record Set, 1963-1972. ARC Identifier 3446423. This series consists of the record set of publications issued by the district engineer to promulgate instructions and procedures. Items included in this series are district circulars, general and special orders, and other notices.

Civil Works Operation and Maintenance Files, 1902-1944. ARC Identifier 4111720. This series consists of project related correspondence, technical publications, special reports, field books, charts, topographical drawings, cross sections, and records dealing with river basins and watersheds.

Field Survey Notebooks, 1935-1942. ARC Identifier 2127207. This series consists of notebooks that contain technical data such as triangulation coordinates, distances, topographical notations, weather conditions, soundings, and rough drawings. The data recorded in the notebooks relate to locks and dams, dredging, harbor improvements, lake improvements, road relocation, and shore line improvements.

### **Mobile, Alabama, 1819-1979**

Records, 1857-1936. ARC Identifier 2788405 / Local Identifier Entries 1275 through 1278 . This series consists of miscellaneous records relating to rainfall, temperature, commercial statistics, supplies, and other notes and papers.

General Administrative Files, 1940-1955. ARC Identifier 4477927. This series consists of general administrative files that include letters, reports, forms, memoranda, circulars, orders, regulations, and various plans concerning the district's administration of civil works projects and military construction projects.

Civil Works Project Files, 1882-1973. ARC Identifier 4477894. This series consists of documents created in connection with the planning, design, and construction of specific projects. Records include project related correspondence, blueprints, specifications, contract bids, authorizations, estimates, data surveys, cross section data, maps and engineering drawings concerned with the operation of locks and dams and other projects.

Survey Report Files, 1907-1942. ARC Identifier 4477909. This series consists of documents concerning the preparation and submission of reports to Congress on surveys and review reports for rivers and harbors, flood control improvements, cooperative beach erosion control studies, and hurricane flood studies in connection with the planning of civil works projects.

Correspondence , 1821-1923. ARC Identifier 2787779 / Local Identifier Entries 1237 through 1260. This series consists of letters sent, letters received, and press copies of correspondence on topics such as Fort Morgan, river and harbor projects, supplies, fortifications, surveys, bridges, and cement tests.

Fortification Records, 1906-1930. ARC Identifier 2788493 / Local Identifier Entries 1279. This series consists of fortification records from the "Old Montgomery District."

Reports, 1916-1931. ARC Identifier 2787786 / Local Identifier Entries 1263 through 1265. This series consists of reports of operations, reports related to defenses and fortifications, and other miscellaneous reports.

Navigable Waterways Files, 1932-1979. ARC Identifier 4477945. This series consists of documents on navigability as defined by law and pertaining to such matters as boundary waters, dumping grounds, bridges, and aids to navigation like dredging.

### **Nashville, Tennessee, 1830-1971**

Civil Works Project Files, 1952-1969. ARC Identifier 3997643. This series consists of documents created in connection with the planning, design, and construction of specific projects. Records include project related correspondence, blueprints, specifications, contract bids, authorizations, estimates, data surveys, cross section data, maps and engineering drawings concerned with the operation of locks and dams and other projects.

Engineering Studies, 1893-1949. ARC Identifier 3819322. This series consists of technical studies and preliminary examinations. Topics covered include flood damage, power production, river development, and land development. Also included in this series is a Federal Power Commission power market survey, power and flood surveys for the Cumberland, Tennessee, and Hiawassee Rivers, and reports of board meetings of the Tennessee-Tombigbee Waterway Commission.

Basic Topographic Data Files, 1940-1948. ARC Identifier 3997674. This series consists of project related correspondence, technical publications, special reports, field books, charts, topographical drawings, cross sections, and records dealing with river basins and watersheds.

Civil Works Project Construction Files, 1906-1943. ARC Identifier 3819311. This series consists of blueprints, maps, charts, specification sheets, work authorizations, estimates, data surveys, and correspondence concerning civil works projects. Included is data dealing mainly with the Cumberland River relating to dams of the Work Projects Administration dealing with emergency relief, construction, dam repairs, lock specifications, data about navigation relating to obstructions and hazards. Some of the data involves the Tennessee Valley Authority.

Civil Works Project Construction Files, 1930-1954. ARC Identifier 3997660. This series consists of project related correspondence, blueprints, specification sheets, contract bids, authorizations, estimates, and data surveys.

Cumberland River Improvement Real Estate Planning and Control Papers, ca. 1888- ca. 1917. ARC Identifier 3535561. This series consists mostly of papers that cover the acquisition and management of government properties along the Cumberland River in Kentucky and Tennessee. It includes appraisal reports, correspondence, and property title abstracts. One file contains documents that refer to the Chattanooga Shipyard in Chattanooga, Tennessee.

Conservation of Natural Resources Files, 1956-1969. ARC Identifier 3432831. This series consists of files collected concerning conservation of natural resources in or near waterways within the district.

### **Savannah, Georgia, 1821-1978**

Civil Works Project Files, 1900-1974. ARC Identifier 4477893. This series consists of documents created in connection with the planning, design, and construction of specific projects. Records include project related correspondence, blueprints, specifications, contract bids, authorizations, estimates, data surveys, cross section data, maps and engineering drawings concerned with the operation of locks and dams and other projects.

Military Construction Project Files, 1969-1971. ARC Identifier 4477918. This series consists of documents created in connection with the planning, design, and construction of military construction projects. Records include project related correspondence, blueprints, specifications, contract bids, authorizations, estimates, data surveys, cross section data, maps and engineering drawings.

Conservation of Natural Resources Files, 1950-1968. ARC Identifier 3432845. This series consists of files collected concerning conservation of natural resources in or near waterways within the district.

### **South Atlantic, Atlanta, Georgia, 1953-1967**

### **Tullahoma, Tennessee, 1949-1955**

### **Vicksburg, Mississippi, 1870-1987**

Civil Works Project Files, 1928-1987. ARC Identifier 765404. This series consists of records collected by the district office staff as a result of civil engineering projects. The series includes, but is not limited to, job estimates; foundation reports; correspondence with contractors; job specifications; contracts; progress reports; blueprints and construction drawings; field notebooks; data on concrete tests; photographs of project sites; geological data reports; river and harbor surveys; cost estimates; and inspection reports.

Projects typically include dredging of rivers, creeks, and harbors; flood control; removing obstructions to navigation; bridge building and maintenance; dam building and maintenance; and relocations of roads, cemeteries, and railroad lines.

This series relates to flood control and navigable waterway projects on the Arkansas, Ohio, and Mississippi rivers and their tributaries. Some records pertain to projects and experiments outside the geographic jurisdiction of the division as the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Waterway Experiment Station in Vicksburg served as the headquarters for the U.S. Army Engineer Research and Development Center. Many projects concern the construction of levees and dikes along the Mississippi River. Files usually include official correspondence between Corps offices and many federal, state, and local elected and appointed officials as well as private citizens. Correspondents may include members of Congress, state agencies, local elected officials, and business owners as well as people residing in potential project locations.

Basic Topographic Data Files, ca. 1954. ARC Identifier 4486622. This series consists of data from scientific testing throughout the United States and the world, including overseas air bases.

Correspondence Files, 1912-1958. ARC Identifier 3804504. This series consists of correspondence files relating to Civil Works projects in the Vicksburg District. Computations and specifications about the construction of channels, reservoirs, and other projects are also included.

Survey Report Files, 1959-1976. ARC Identifier 4478007. This series consists of documents concerning the preparation and submission of reports to Congress on surveys and review reports for rivers and harbors, flood control improvements, cooperative beach erosion control studies, and hurricane flood studies in connection with the planning of civil works projects.

Hydrological and Hydraulic Data Files, 1945-1953. ARC Identifier 4478011. This series consists of hydrological and hydraulic data obtained from studies of various locations.

Soil Test Data Files, 1951-1968. ARC Identifier 4486550. This series consists of soil test data files associated with infiltration projects conducted in conjunction with the United States Forest Service.

Correspondence , 1873-1914. ARC Identifier 2788936 / Local Identifier Entries 1708 through 1722. This series consists of letters sent, letters received, and press copies of correspondence on topics such as finances and river and harbor projects in the Upper Tensas Levee District and Lower Yazoo Levee District, and on waterways such as the Ouachita River, Red River, Tallahatchie River, and the Little River.

Geological and Soil Data Files, 1945-1953. ARC Identifier 4478015. This series consists of project related soil reports, field books, and test data sheets.

Airfield Pavement Investigation Project Files , ca. 1953. ARC Identifier 2127208. This series consists of investigation project files concerning the study of jet aircrafts on airfield pavements, including at Eglin Air Force Base in Florida.



Field Notes, 1873-1924. ARC Identifier 2788943 / Local Identifier Entry 1728 through 1736. This series consists of field notes and observations relating to surveys on various waterway projects, including those associated with the Red River, Ouachita River, Sunflower River, and Yazoo River.

**Wilmington, North Carolina, 1738-1966**

General Administrative Files, 1907-1952. ARC Identifier 3799163. This series consists of administrative files including letters, memoranda, reports, a variety of forms, circular letters, orders, regulations. Included in this are surveys of the Tar, Neuse, and Cape Fear Rivers with charts and maps; reports on intercoastal waterways and their use; specifications and statistics for barges, dredges, and the like.

Correspondence , 1884-1938. ARC Identifier 2794671 / Local Identifier Entries 1113 through 1122. This series consists of letters sent, letters received, and press copies of correspondence on topics such as river and harbor projects, surveys, and fortifications.

## **Records of the National Park Service**

Record Group 79

1869 – 1969

- **General Agency Information:**

**Established:** In the Department of the Interior by an act of March 2, 1934 (48 Stat. 389).

**Predecessor Agencies:**

- In the Department of the Interior:
  - Patent and Miscellaneous Division (1872-1907)
  - Miscellaneous Section, Office of the Chief Clerk (1907-14)
  - Office of General Superintendent and Landscape Engineer of National Parks (1914-15)
  - Office of Superintendent of National Parks (1915-16)
  - National Park Service (1916-33)
  - Office of National Parks, Buildings, and Reservations (1933-34)

**Functions:** Administers a system of national parks and similar reservations designated by statute, and national monuments and similar sites proclaimed by the President.

- **Records in the National Archives at Atlanta:**

The records document park administration, operations, and planning. Included are significant anthropological, archaeological, and historical reports; biological, ecological, environmental, and zoological studies of conditions in national parks; investigations of proposed national, state, and local parks and monuments; and construction project files of the Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC). The records include circulars, correspondence, lists of cemetery headstones, memorandums, narrative and statistical reports, and newspaper clippings. Non-textual records include maps and engineering drawings.

### **Andrew Johnson National Historic Site, Greeneville, Tennessee, 1956-1963**

General Administrative Files, 1956-1963. ARC Identifier 1142652. This series consists of a broad range of correspondence, memorandums, and administrative files, including reports to and from Washington and the Regional offices with the superintendent of the site, as well as correspondence to the park from the public.

### **Cape Hatteras National Seashore, Manteo, North Carolina, 1945-1960**

General Administrative Files, 1953-1960. ARC Identifier 1142738. This series consists of a broad range of correspondence, memorandums, and administrative files relating to the promotion and operation of the Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

### **Cumberland Gap National Historic Park, Middlesboro, Kentucky, 1956-1969**

General Administrative Files, 1956-1969. ARC Identifier 1142694. This series consists of a broad range of correspondence, memorandums, and administrative files relating to the Cumberland Gap National Historic Park and its Job Corps program.

### **Great Smoky Mountains National Park , Gatlinburg, Tennessee, 1933-1965**

General Administrative Files, 1937-1965, documenting the period 1933-1965. ARC Identifier 649044. This series consists of a broad range of administrative files including correspondence, memorandums, staff minutes, contracts, press releases, personal injury reports, annual reports, including reports to and from the Washington and the Regional offices, and correspondence to the park from the public. The files cover such subjects as Mission 66 plans, park improvements, expansions, cemeteries located on park land, flood relief, personnel, fire prevention, roads and trails. Also included are records concerning the disposal of surplus buildings on park property, correspondence with the Boy Scouts of America and Blue Ridge Parkway, Bureau of Public Roads reports, and reports on archaeological and historical research and the 25th and 30th anniversaries of the park.

### **Natchez Trace Parkway, Tupelo, Mississippi, 1926-1965**

General Administrative Files, 1938-1964, documenting the period 1934-1964. ARC Identifier 633608. This series consists of a broad range of correspondence, memos, and administrative files including memorandums and reports to and from the Washington and regional offices as well as correspondence to the park from the public. The records consist of committee and staff narrative reports, Mission 66 plans, accounting records, and procurement instructions and procedures. They cover such subjects as nature trails, Historic American Building Surveys, construction programs, archaeological research, personnel management, law enforcement within the park, natural resource management, grounds maintenance, and park road and trail improvement. Included in this series are records related to the Meriwether Lewis National Monument.

### **Shiloh National Military Park, 1869-1950**

General Administrative Files, 1894-1950, documenting the period 1869- 1950. ARC Identifier 2771741. This series consists of a broad range of administrative files, correspondence, ledgers, and memorandums. There are indexes to letters received and sent, inventory ledgers, purchase orders and invoices, time books, records of funerals, payroll vouchers, weather records, and information about the construction of the Meriwether Lewis National Monument.

### **Vicksburg National Military Park, Vicksburg, Mississippi, 1869-1948**

Letters Sent by the Park Engineer, 1899-1915. ARC Identifier 2790766. This series consists of letters sent by the Park Engineer.

Letters Received by the Park Engineer, 1901-1914. ARC Identifier 2790750. This series consists of letters received by the Park Engineer.

Land Purchases, 1899-1902. ARC Identifier 2788967. This series consists of records of land purchases and contains descriptions and blueprints.

Correspondence Relating to Construction Bids and Bonds, 1926-1927. ARC Identifier 2790747. This series consists of correspondence about construction at the Vicksburg National Military Park relating to bids and bonds.

Correspondence of the Park Architect Relating to Construction, 1922-1935. ARC Identifier 2790742. This series consists of correspondence with the park architect about construction at the Vicksburg National Military Park.

# Records of the Bureau of Agricultural Economics

Record Group 83

1941 – 1945

- **General Agency Information:**

**Established:** In the Department of Agriculture, effective July 1, 1922, by the Agricultural Appropriation Act (42 Stat. 532), May 11, 1922, consolidating the Bureau of Markets and Crop Estimates with the Office of Farm Management and Farm Economics.

**Predecessor Agencies:**

- In the Department of Agriculture:
  - Division of Statistics (1863-1903)
  - Section of Foreign Markets (1894-1902)
  - Division of Foreign Markets (1902-3)
  - Bureau of Statistics (1903-14)
  - Bureau of Crop Estimates (1914-21)
  - Rural Organization Service (1913-15)
  - Office of Markets (1913-15)
  - Office of Markets and Rural Organization (1915-17)
  - Bureau of Markets (1917-21)
  - Bureau of Markets and Crop Estimates (1921-22)
  - Office of Farm Management, Bureau of Plant Industry (1905-15)
  - Office of Farm Management, Office of the Secretary (1915-20)
  - Office of Farm Management and Farm Economics (1920-22)

**Functions:** Conducted studies and disseminated information relating to agricultural production, crop estimates, marketing, finance, labor, and other agricultural problems. Served as the central planning agency for economic and statistical research in the Department of Agriculture. Responsibility for the land utilization program acquired from the abolished Resettlement Administration by Secretary's Memorandum 733, September 1, 1932. Marketing functions transferred to the Agricultural Marketing Service and most land utilization functions assigned to the Soil Conservation Service by Secretary's Memorandums 783 and 785, October 6, 1938. Program planning transferred to the Office of the Secretary and public discussion duties assigned to the Extension Service by Secretary's Memorandums 1137 and 1139, December 12, 1939.

**Abolished:** By Secretary's Memorandum 1320, suppl. 4, November 2, 1953.

**Successor Agencies:** Agricultural Research Service and Agricultural Marketing Service.

- **Records in the National Archives at Atlanta:**

Postwar Planning Commission, 1941-1945. This series contains correspondence, memos, reports, studies, estimates, maps, and surveys covering a variety of topics dealing with agricultural production in the Southern states. Reports and correspondence within the series concern assumptions and plans for development for planning in Southeast agriculture, minimum requirements of food for health, disposition of land used by military, conservation of land and water resources, flood control, timber management, wildlife conservation, rural health programs, etc. Also included are reports from the Soil Conservation Service.

## **Records of the Public Health Service**

Record Group 90

1871 – 1953

- **General Agency Information:**

**Established:** In the Department of the Treasury by the Public Health and Marine Hospital Service Act (37 Stat. 309), August 14, 1912.

**Predecessor Agencies:**

- In the Department of the Treasury:
  - Marine Hospital Service (1798-1902)
  - U.S. Public Health and Marine Hospital Service (1902-12)

**Functions:** Administers federal programs to protect and improve the nation's physical and mental health. Provides guidance and support to the following constituent operating health agencies: Alcohol, Drug Abuse, and Mental Health Administration; Centers for Disease Control; Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry; Food and Drug Administration; Health Resources and Services Administration; Indian Health Service; National Institutes of Health; and Agency for Health Care Policy and Research.

- **Records in the National Archives at Atlanta:**

Records of the Hospital at Mobile, Alabama, 1871-1918. Types of records include information regarding the Outpatient Clinic, consisting of letters sent, 1875-77; letters received, 1882-88; telegrams received, 1888; patient registers, 1871-87; treatment records, 1875-83; property management records, 1876-1918; and records relating to building and construction, 1888-1918.

Additional records include journals and patient registers from hospitals in Charleston, South Carolina (1879-1953), Memphis, Tennessee (1881-1911), Pascagoula, Mississippi (1882-1885), and Savannah, Georgia (1906-1930).

## **Records of the Forest Service**

Record Group 95

1907 – 2008

- **General Agency Information:**

**Established:** In the Department of Agriculture by the Transfer Act (33 Stat. 628), February 1, 1905. Name first recognized in law by the Agricultural Appropriation Act of 1906 (33 Stat. 872), March 3, 1905.

**Predecessor Agencies:**

- In the Department of Agriculture:
  - Special Agent (1876-81)
  - Division of Forestry (1881-1901)
  - Bureau of Forestry (1901-5)
- In the General Land Office, Department of the Interior:
  - Timber Depredations Division (administration of forest reserves, 1891-1901)
  - Division of Forestry (same, 1901-5)

**Functions:** Administers the national forest system. Promotes conservation and use of national forests and grasslands. Conducts forest and range research. Assists and cooperates with administrators of state and private forests.

Supervised forest and range conservation work of the Civilian Conservation Corps, 1933-42. Administered war-related programs, 1942-45. Administered, 1934-42, the Prairie States Forestry ("Shelterbelt") Project, established under the Emergency Appropriation Act (48 Stat. 1021), June 19, 1934. "Shelterbelt" Project transferred to Soil Conservation Service, effective July 1, 1942, by Secretary's memorandum, June 30, 1942.

- **Records in the National Archives at Atlanta:**

Southern Regional Office, Atlanta. Records relating to administration of Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC) activities in the Southeast including the planning, creation, supervision, inspection, and abandonment of CCC camps and the administration of personnel, enrollment, and training of CCC members. Included are correspondence and subject files. Non-textual records include charts, photographs, and maps showing improvements such as truck trails, telephone lines, timber types, and locations of CCC camps.

**Assistant Regional Forester, 1916, 1937-1968, 1971, 1973**

Records concern general administration and activities of Region 8, including files on land ownership affecting the boundaries of National Forests in Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Mississippi, and North Carolina.

**Records of the Division of Engineering**

Directives, 1945-1969. Non-textual records include base maps (1937-1944, 1967-1968) concerning surveying and mapping National Forests. Source material for color separation of

transportation “B” maps for forests in Alabama, Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, And Texas. Both negative and positive oversized film.

### **Records of the Division of Recreation and Watersheds**

Special Interest Area Records, 1951-1966, 1971-1972. Records relate to activities and programs affecting several groups with special interests in National Forest Land (e.g. winter sports, off-road vehicles, road/parkway construction, etc.). Records are correspondence, plans, reports, and studies. Non-textual records included maps.

### **Records of the State and Private Forestry Division, 1922-1974**

Records reflect administration, programs, and activities relating to improving management of forest land not owned by the U.S. Government. The records are committee files, directives, general correspondence, press releases, and publications.

### **Records of the Division of Timber Management**

Records include directives, 1931-1962, 1966-1969, and publications 1955-1956.

### **Records of Area Offices**

Gainesville, Georgia, 1942-1971. The records relate to programs administered and activities carried out by the office and the Ranger districts it supervised, including land condemnation and timber sales. The records are deed files, diaries, directives, history files, manuals, press releases, ranger district plans, reports, and special use permits. Non-textual records include primary base series maps.

Montgomery, Alabama, 1944-1967. The records reflect land ownership transactions, participation in forestry research, and special use of National Forest land in Alabama. The records consist of land ownership files, press releases, and research reports.

Jackson, Mississippi, 1973-1975. The records relate to the history of the Forest Service and forestry in Mississippi and consist of correspondence.

### **Records of Forest Experiment Stations**

Southeastern Forest Experiment Station, Asheville, North Carolina, 1926-2008. The records related to the protection and utilization of resources from forests in the southeastern United States and the surveying of forests in North Carolina, 1952. The records are annual and research reports and correspondence. Non-textual records include maps, aerial photographs, negatives, and art work.

Southern Forest Experiment Station, Stoneville, Mississippi, 1957-1970. The records document research about southern forests (including Puerto Rico), their management, marketing, and silviculture. The records are publications and research reports.



Northeastern Forest Experiment Station, Berea (Kentucky) Unit, 1968. The records relate to supporting research at the station and they consist of directives.

## Records of the Soil Conservation Service

Record Group 114

1933 – 1975

- **General Agency Information:**

**Established:** In the Department of Agriculture (commonly, USDA) by Secretary's Memorandum 1010-1, October 20, 1994, implementing section 246 of the Federal Crop Insurance Reform and Department of Agriculture Reorganization Act of 1994 (108 Stat. 3223), October 13, 1994.

**Predecessor Agencies:**

- Soil Erosion Service (SES), Department of the Interior (1933-35)
- SES, Department of Agriculture (USDA, March 23-April 27, 1935)
- Soil Conservation Service, USDA (1935-94)

**Functions:** Provides technical and financial assistance to land users and units of government with the aim of sustaining agricultural activity and protecting natural resources. Responsibilities include making and subsidizing loans for agricultural land purchase and preservation; operating test centers for plants with conservation potential; issuing the Natural Resources Inventory every five years; conducting the National Cooperative Soil Survey, and river basin surveys, in collaboration with state, local, and other Federal agencies; promoting flood protection projects; and administering such regional programs as the Great Plains Conservation Program, the Colorado River Basin Salinity Control Program, and, in 11 western states and Alaska, the Snow Survey and Water Supply Forecasting Program.

- **Records in the National Archives at Atlanta:**

Records of the Southeastern Region (Region 2) Office, Spartanburg, South Carolina (representing Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Virginia; after 1939, including Virgin Islands and Puerto Rico; after 1942, including Kentucky and Tennessee). The records relate to administration, erosion control, flood control, forestry, land acquisition, land management, and research. Included are administrative and subject files, charts, correspondence, evaluations, field trials, studies, and work plans. Non-textual records include maps and photographs.

Records of the following area, regional, and state offices:

- Athens, Georgia, 1933-1966.
- Birmingham, Alabama, 1936-1942.
- Columbia, South Carolina, 1935-1941.
- Jackson, Mississippi, 1935-1975.
- Montgomery, Alabama, 1939-1942.
- Nashville, Tennessee, 1937-1956.
- Raleigh, North Carolina, 1934-1946.
- Rome, Georgia, 1938-1940.
- Salisbury, North Carolina, 1939-1942.
- Spartanburg, South Carolina, 1934-1953.
- Tifton, Georgia, 1938-1941.

The records document erosion control evaluation surveys, individual farm plans, flood control structures and techniques, and other aspects of local soil conservation operations. Included are audits, case files, correspondence, minutes of meetings, and reports. Non-textual records include charts, engineering drawings, maps, and photographs.

Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC) Camps at Cartersville, Georgia, 1935-1942 and Clanton, Alabama, 1935-1942; and consolidated camp records throughout Alabama, 1933-1942, Kentucky, 1935-1942, Mississippi, 1933-1941, North Carolina, 1934-1942, South Carolina, 1935-1942, and Tennessee, 1938-1940. The records document erosion control and nursery work. They include agreements, annual reports, correspondence, minutes, press releases, time records, and work plans. Non-textual records include maps.

Greenville Bedload Experiment Station (Enoree River), South Carolina, 1935-1943. The records related to the study of soils and include correspondence, progress reports, project studies, and sedimentation studies. Non-Textual records include architectural drawings and blueprints.

# **Records of the Tennessee Valley Authority**

Record Group 142

1917 – 2006

- **General Agency Information:**

**Established:** As a federal corporation by an act of May 18, 1933 (48 Stat. 58).

**Functions:** Administers a unified program of resource conservation, development, and use in the Tennessee River Valley. Encourages the economic development of the region.

- **Records in the National Archives at Atlanta:**

## **Records of the Board of Directors and Chairmen of the Board**

The records concern the establishment, development, and activities of TVA, relationships with other governmental and nongovernmental organizations and the public. Included are charts, correspondence, financial information, and reports. Non-textural records included maps and photographs.

Arthur E. Morgan's Papers, 1933-1938. ARC Identifier 657462. This series consists of correspondence, reports, memoranda, legislation, newspaper clippings, press releases, Board meeting minutes, briefing papers and other material concerning the Tennessee Valley Authority's activities. The records note organizational information, policy mandates, and the accomplishments of the Tennessee Valley Authority during the earliest years of the agency. The records document the establishment of the Tennessee Valley Authority and its budget, development, functions, investigations, organizational structure, and policies; Board of Directors activities; Morgan's speeches; and the controversy that resulted from President Franklin Roosevelt's dismissal of Morgan.

David E. Lilienthal's Correspondence Files, 1933-1946. ARC Identifier 1264265. This series consists of correspondence files created by David E. Lilienthal's office during his time as a Director of the Tennessee Valley Authority. The files cover such topics as, but are not limited to, agriculture, aluminum production for the War Department, flood control, electricity, land use planning, malaria, land reclamation, soil conservation, river engineering and surveys, power production, dam construction, and consumer power rates.

Records of Harry Curtis, Harcourt Morgan, and Arthur Morgan, 1933-1957. ARC Identifier 1265096. This series contains correspondence of the Board of Directors of the Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA) during the tenure of Harry Curtis, Harcourt Morgan, and Arthur Morgan. It also includes conference reports, annual reports, and pamphlets. The correspondence covers topics such as agriculture, electricity, flood control, river surveys, and soil conservation.

Records of Raymond R. Paty and James P. Pope, 1939-1957. ARC Identifier 1265105. This series consists of speeches and other addresses prepared prior to James Pope's appointment as a Tennessee Valley Authority Director. Included are radio talks, press releases, and statements

and articles prepared by Pope during his term as U.S. Senator. Also included are pamphlets, conference proceedings, journals, and reports. Topics covered include agriculture, electricity, flood control, river surveys, and soil erosion and conservation.

### **Records of the TVA Washington Office, 1933-1978**

Records relate to TVA's legislative program and TVA budget material sent through OMB, the President, and Congress for approval. The records include correspondence, legislative histories, House hearings, Senate hearings, appropriation bills and amendments to the TVA Act.

### **Records of the General Manager**

Activity and Project Authorizations, 1946-1984. ARC Identifier 4529885 and 4529886.

Records document the approval methods TVA units were required to propose before the TVA Budget Staff. Records include title of the project, start and completion date, estimated costs, completion costs and the objective of each proposed project.

Master Budget Document File, 1933-1978. ARC Identifier 4529888. Records consist of TVA budget programs submitted to the Bureau of the Budget (now Office of Management and Budget). Records include budget system task force records, initial estimates, change and release estimates, inventories of all TVA overhead functions, preliminary work plans, and transcripts of budget submission hearings.

Planning and Budget Correspondence Files, 1933-1988. ARC Identifier 1079781. These records related to TVA budget programs submitted to the Bureau of the Budget (now Office of Management and Budget), and TVA budget programs submitted to Congress. Records include correspondence, letters sent, office memos, meeting minutes, cost estimates, expenditures summaries, and organizational work plans, correspondence summaries, and copies of reports and studies. The correspondence centers on fiscal and budget issues for operations and upcoming projects, strategic planning initiatives and administrative matters.

Central Files (Knoxville), 1933-1940. The records document official incoming and outgoing communications including articles, budget and appropriation related data, copies of state and federal laws, correspondence, General Information Bulletins, legal decisions and opinions, transcripts of Congressional hearings, and transcripts of speeches by officials.

Administrative Files, 1933-1957. ARC Identifier 784001. The records document activities of the General Manager's office in short-term and middle-term planning and managing all of the agency's current operations. They include budget plans, correspondence, memorandums, and volume files (bulky items, usually reports and studies, too large or voluminous to remain with normal correspondence files). Frequently, memoranda, authorizations, periodic reports, informational publications, newspaper clippings, speeches, press releases, and other records are filed among the correspondence.

Records contain information on administrative and program concerns such as legislation and legal matters affecting TVA, budget and finance, personnel, agency organization, and various administrative recommendations and decisions. This series includes correspondence to and

from federal agencies, members of the U.S. Congress, private companies and organizations, state and private universities, foreign countries, Tennessee River Valley residents, and the general public.

Federal government entities involved in the correspondence include, but are not limited to, the War Labor Board, Office of the Chief of Engineers, Civil Conservation Corps, General Services Administration, National Resources Planning Board, Office of Price Administration, Office of Economic Warfare, Fish and Wildlife Service, and National Park Service.

Topics and TVA programs referenced in this series include, but are not limited to, rural electrification, agricultural chemical production and utilization, natural resources, chemical engineering, power resources and production, and agriculture cooperatives, among others.

Records pertain to communities impacted by the following TVA dam projects: Norris, Wheeler, Wilson, Pickwick, Guntersville, Chickamauga, Gilbertsville, Watts Bar, Fort Loudoun, Hales Bar, Cherokee, Hiwassee, and Great Falls, among others.

Knoxville International Visitors Center, 1963-1968. The records relate to the establishment and operation of the TVA-funded Center including the center's charter and meetings of the Board of Directors. The records include correspondence, minutes, publications, and publicity material.

TVA Investigation Files, 1932-1938. ARC Identifier 4529889. The records relate to a House-Senate Joint Committee investigation of the TVA concerning corruption, abuse of authority, and unfair competition with private utilities. Records include charts, reports, statements, summaries, tables, and testimony.

TVA's Records for the Tydings Committee of 1942. ARC Identifier 4529890. The records document the agency's response to Senator Tydings' inquiries on TVA releasing employees for the war effort. Records include correspondence, questionnaires, and other documentation.

### **Records of the Office of Engineering Design and Construction**

Chief Engineer/Office Manager's Correspondence, 1933-1984. ARC Identifier 4529880 and 4529877. These records concern decisions and policy within the office of Engineering Design and Construction relating to major construction efforts (hydroelectric and other power-producing plants, etc.) and include correspondence and memoranda.

Project Histories and Reports, 1937-1974. ARC Identifier 890185. The records document the technical development and growth of electrical power in the Tennessee River Valley Region. This series contains records that document the planning, design, and construction of Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA) projects including locks, dams, buildings, and powerhouses for the following projects: Wilson Dam, Norris Dam, Wheeler Dam, Pickwick Landing, Hiwassee Dam, Guntersville Dam, Chickamauga Dam, Gilbertsville Dam, Watts Bar Dam, Fort Loudon Dam, Hales Bar Dam, Cherokee Dam, Appalachia Dam, Chatuge Dam, Nottely Dam, Ocoee Dam, Fontana Dam, South Holston Dam, Watauga Dam, Douglas Dam, Wilbur Dam, Johnsonville Steam Plant, Boone Dam, Fort Patrick Henry Dam, Widows Creek Steam Plant, Godwin

Phosphate Plant, Kingston Steam Plant, Shawnee Steam Plant, Colbert Steam Plant, Memphis Area Steam Plant, Jon Sevier Steam Plant, Gallatin Steam Plant, Chilhowee Dam, Colbert Steam Plant, Melton Hill Dam, Steam Plant G, Shannon Creek Project, Knoxville Area Steam Plant, Paradise Steam Plant, Bull Run Steam Plant, Beech River Project, Raccoon Mountain Pumped Storage Project, Nickajack Dam, Decatur Area Steam Plant, Lost Creek Dam, Piney Creek Dam, Browns Creek Dam, Tellico Dam, Dry Creek Dam, Big Creek Dam, Tims Ford Dam, Can Creek Development Project, Clear Creek Project or Bristol Flood Protection Project, Land Between the Lakes Projects, Bear Creek Dam, Oostenaula Creek Dam, U.S. Public Health Service - TVA Composting Plant, Browns Ferry Nuclear Plant, Columbia - Upper Duck River Project, Sugar Creek Dam, Sevierville Flood Protection Project, Yellow Creek Nuclear Plant, Coeburn Flood Control Project, Oliver Springs Redevelopment Project, Cumberland Steam Plant, Sequoyah Nuclear Plant, Buffalo Scenic Spillway, Little Bear Creek Dam, Mills River Dam, Harriman - Rockwood Industrial Corridor, Thomas H. Allen Steam Plant, Shelby Substation and Transmission Line, Johnson City Composting Plant, Bellefonte Nuclear Plant, Briceville Flood Relief Project, Hartsville Nuclear Plant, Clinch River Breeder Reactor Plant, Camp Breckenridge, Timberlake New Community, and Phipps Bend Nuclear Plant.

The records include engineering data, narrative statements, progress reports, and statistics. Non-textual records include charts, drawings, and photographs.

Records relating to the Lend-Lease Program to the Soviet Union, 1942-1945. These records deal with the design and procurement of equipment to replace war-destroyed dams in the Ural Mountains. The material consists of correspondence and design notebooks. Non-textual records include blueprints.

Construction Progress Negatives, 1933-1987. ARC Identifier 279687. These records are non-textual and consist of negatives documenting progress on building TVA structures including dams, power plants, nuclear plants, and buildings. These photographs record all major stages of construction from site selection through completion of construction on Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA) fossil, hydro, nuclear, and coal gasification projects. In addition to construction negatives, general activities of people, places and events including portraits, pictures of dedication ceremonies, general managers, presentations, and other similar subjects are included.

Dam Construction Panoramic Negatives, 1937-1948. This record series is non-textual and consists of negatives documenting the status of TVA dam building projects (Chickamauga, Gilbertsville, Guntersville, Kentucky, Pickwick, Wheeler, and Wilson dams) on a given date. The photographs show all phases of a project from a position close to the building site.

Wilson Dam Central Files, 1920-1951. The records relate to the construction and operations of Wilson Dam by the Army Corps of Engineers, the transfer of the dam to TVA, TVA operation of the dam, commercial power companies, and the power division in the Muscle Shoals, Alabama area. The records consist of correspondence. (There is some duplication with TVA Central Files listed above).

Wilson Dam Construction Progress Negatives, 1922-1925. This series is non-textual and contains negatives exposed by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to document stages of construction on Wilson Dam near Florence, Alabama.

Original Presentation Drawings, Architectural Support Branch, 1934-1949. These records are non-textual and include drawings of TVA projects such as dams, reservoirs, and buildings, ranging from office buildings to power facilities to visitors centers.

Design and Construction Drawings, 1933-1950. ARC Identifier 2843575. This series contains the design, construction, and preliminary drawings of the Tennessee Valley Authority power facilities, visitor centers, housing designs, work camps, towns, dams, and proposed alterations to existing structures.

### **Records of the Office of Agricultural and Chemical Development**

Technical Reports relating to Chemical Activities, 1933-1975. ARC Identifier 4529644, 4529648, 4529649, 4529650, 4529651, 4529652, 4529653, 4529656, 4529657. The records concern TVA's program for producing better chemical fertilizers, as well as research on mineralogy, agricultural products, and other aspects of Southern industry and farming. The records consist of internal and public reports.

Still Picture File, 1917-1960. ARC Number 279685. This record series is non-textual and consists of a varied collection of glass lantern slides, negatives, photographs, and transparencies documenting significant TVA agricultural activities in the Tennessee Valley region. The majority of photographs depict the Tennessee Valley Authority's agricultural programs in the Valley and its two national programs of test demonstration farms including superb close-up shots of Valley families, farmlands, factory workers, severe erosion problems, farm livestock, and other related material. The photographs tend to reflect community or social conditions in the region during the period from 1940 to mid 1960's.

Also included in this record series are color transparencies. They include scenes such as test-demonstration farms, applications of agricultural methods, laboratory work, manufacture of fertilizers and chemicals, 4-H meetings, and farm tours in the Valley region and states outside the area and in foreign countries.

Another portion of these records include glass slides. A few of the slides show farm scenes in foreign countries and are hand-colored. The other glass slides include photographs of an early analytical lab project, "Paper on Production of Diammonium Phosphate" in various stages of production.

There are also numbered proof sheets of photographs available in this collection. These proof sheets do not appear to be duplicates of other prints in this series but are very similar in subject matter. They contain pictures of fertilizer factory workers, fish hatchery workers, and farmers and their families.

In addition, this collection of photographs includes the Wilson Nitrate Plant #2 and its construction between 1917-1920. Some of these photographs are panoramic views of the plant during construction. These photographs also include individual workers, negro bunkhouses, quarries, steam shovels, generators and views of the plant taken from different directions.



Correspondence, 1948-1988. ARC Identifier 782722. This series consists of correspondence, studies, reports, speeches, and agreements relating to the Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA) agriculture program. Records pertain to the following TVA programs and activities: development and production of new and improved fertilizers through chemical engineering, production and provision of chemical material necessary for munitions and national defense, chemical processes and products in the private sector, farm cooperatives, and the readjustment of agricultural areas affected by TVA programs and policies.

### **Records of the Office of the Chief Conservation Engineer**

General Correspondence, 1933-1951. These files concern water control programs on agricultural and forest lands and TVA's program of fertilizer research, productions, and distribution. They include correspondence and memorandums.

### **Records of the Agricultural Industries Division, 1933-1952**

These records document the study, testing, and practical demonstration of new agricultural equipment, rural electrification, and equipment for processing the region's agricultural raw materials. The records include memorandums, questionnaires, promotional literature, administrative and budget reports, cooperative financial reports, speeches, statistical profiles, and technical reports.

### **Records of the Division of Environmental Planning**

Records of the Malaria Control Program, 1933-1968. The records document TVA's effort to deal with endemic malaria control and prevention through biological, medical, and engineering operations. Records consists of correspondence, experiment results from several branch-level organizations, in-depth studies, interviews, notebooks, project files, reports, and survey records. Non-textual records include glass negatives, photographs, and geological survey and land acquisition maps.

### **Records of the Division of Health and Safety**

Records document TVA's responsibility for employee health and safety including personal protective equipment. The records also concern the Division's role as liaison between TVA and other state and federal agencies concerning public health in the Tennessee Valley including programs for malaria eradication and environmental sanitation. Records include correspondence, memorandums, inspection and survey reports, narrative progress reports, and speeches.

Health and Safety Air Resources Quality, 1941-1973. Records concern TVA's program of monitoring atmospheric condition and its involvement in air pollution control. The records are correspondence.

### **Records of TVA's Commerce Department, 1934-1948**

The records document the work of TVA's Commerce Department in developing water transportation and increasing commerce in the Tennessee River Valley. Also included are records from the Agricultural Industries Division and the Correlating Committee which document TVA development and expansion of agricultural production in the Tennessee Valley, encouragement of industries directly related to agriculture (such as food processing) and development of cooperative ventures in agriculture and crafts. Records consist of correspondence from the ceramics research lab, A.D. Spottwood, J. Haden Alldridge (Director of Commerce Department), and John P. Ferris (Director of Agricultural Industries, 1935-1948); freight rate studies; material relating to the book, *History of Navigation on the Tennessee River* (including correspondence, newspaper clipping and pamphlets); and memorandums.

### **Records of the Flood Relief Group, 1937**

Records relate to the support and aid rendered by TVA during the 1937 flood of the Ohio and Mississippi Valley. Records consist of daily activity reports, letters of appreciation, and narratives.

### **Records of the Land Planning and Housing Division**

Land Usage Surveys, Cartographic Records, 1934-1936. Records include a cross-section survey of the Great Valley of East Tennessee and explanatory notes. Non-textual records consist of aerial photographs and reservoir map surveys.

### **Records of the Division of Forestry, Fisheries, and Wildlife**

Soil Erosion Control Project Files, 1933-1948. The records concern the establishment and operation of projects for the purpose of land improvement and soil erosion control in the Tennessee Valley. Records include Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC) private land planting summaries, contracts for land improvement, correspondence, planting records, and project inspection reports. Non-textual material consists of survey and geological reports.

### **Records of the Division of Reservoir Properties**

Family Removal and Population Readjustment Case Files, 1934-1954. ARC Identifier 656701. Records document the removal and readjustment of those losing their homes or places of business to TVA dam and reservoir projects. They consist of interview forms and social surveys that contain comprehensive social and economic information on the people of the Tennessee River Valley and its tributaries.

Studies and Surveys of the Social and Economic Division, 1933-1936. Records concern agriculture, economics, education, health, lifestyle, local government, and taxation in areas affected by TVA. This series includes studies and surveys conducted in cooperation with the Civil Works Administration and state, county, and municipal governments. Though the studies

were completed in the 1933-1936 period, much of the information presented dates back to 1920-1921.

Recreation and Reservation Site Planning and Defense Housing, 1940-1958. ARC Identifier 281493. The records document the development of TVA reservations for secondary use, usually parkland, and the design and development of defense industry housing at some of the facilities during World War II. For each project there is correspondence with the local and state jurisdictions discussing plans and soliciting comments as well as requesting participation. Also included in this correspondence are records documenting the design and development of defense housing for prefab de-mountable homes, trailers and cabins. Interspersed throughout this series are surveyor maps, various charts or blueprints for subdivisions, parks and camps, and photographs. Weekly progress reports and field reports involving a wide range of topics such as stream sanitation, tree planting, parking lots, emergency shelters, recreation facilities, tourism facilities, and state highway and project signs are also included in these records. Records in this series also entail some administrative costs of projects, defense homes and equipment.

General Correspondence and Reports, 1937-1979. This series relates to TVA's interests in recreational resource development, the administration of TVA properties, operation and upkeep of dam reservations, provision of employee housing and related facilities. The records are correspondence and reports. Non-textual records include photographs of various TVA recreational parks, lakes, cabins, and homes.

### **Records of the Division of Water Resources**

Aquatic Ecology Program Correspondence, 1933-1974. ARC Identifier 281495. This record series consists of reports, studies and summaries including the following material: pond ecology, re-anopheline breeding; preliminary review of mosquitoes in the Tennessee Valley Region; vector control program definition charts; sketch map reports of TVA's Malaria Control Program for specific areas; water level management charts; mechanical plant control; charts displaying mosquito count; and DDT results and studies.

### **Records of the Office of Natural Resources and Economic Development**

Glass Lantern Slides, 1933-1963. These records are non-textual and contain glass slides illustrating particular public presentations by TVA staff such as TVA construction sites, flood control area photos, geological formation maps, and charts of experiments.

Correspondence, 1983-1988. ARC Identifier 855560. This series consists of correspondence, memoranda, and related records accumulated by the Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA) Manager of the Office of Natural Resources and Economic Development.

The series includes program records related to local flood protection; navigation development; water resource conservation; water resource development; water resource management; biological vector and aquatic plant control; waste management; air quality preservation and improvement; forest, wildlife, and aquatic resource conservation; recreational development; environmental compliance; Land between the Lakes; and other related programs.

Human Resource Development Staff, 1975-1979. These records relate to educational and training resources designed to upgrade manpower development projects and educational and skill levels of the Valley population. The records consist of correspondence.

### **Records of the Resource Group**

River Basin Operations, Watershed Research Projects in Data Systems, 1934-1980. ARC Identifier 281491. This record series contains monthly and weekly data management progress reports, arranged by area, including precipitation charts, stream gage measurements, evaporation rates and flood investigations. These records also include the Kentucky area tributary investigations which contain photographs of bridges, ground-water wells and crest markers. In addition, this record series contains weekly reports of uncontrolled water storage on the Tennessee River; Gunter'sville groundwater cover-ups with photographs; original computations of natural water flow at Tennessee Valley Authority dam sites; weekly reports of groundwater well observations and investigations; published reports of methods used in measurement and analysis of sediment loads in streams; and area engineer monthly progress reports.

Phosphate Development Works Records, 1950-1991. ARC Identifier 281492. This record series includes the original agreement between the Army and Tennessee Valley Authority and correspondence documenting the Army Chemical Corps-TVA relationship; documentation on the chemical processes used at the plant; construction of the plant and safety measures needed and implemented; discussions of the feasibility for continued operation of the facility; plant operating manuals; and documentation on preliminary negotiations between the Army and TVA regarding "Herbicide Orange" production. In addition, the records contain conference agendas and minutes, project authorizations, working capital reports, and documentation of security classified operations relating to military and non-military defense planning and health hazards. Also included are photographs and negatives of the plant; color slides of aerial views of the plant and chemical process formulas; and color snapshot photographs of asbestos removal from the plant.

Environmental Quality Staff Correspondence, 1969-1989. ARC Identifier 782721. This series consists of correspondence, reports, policies, plans, and studies pertaining to environmental aspects of the Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA) projects and programs. Program records consist of case files created for TVA's environmental impact statements, EPA Preliminary and final reports, and public and industrial safety task force findings, and include analyses, correspondence, reports, and studies. Records document technical guidance provided by the Environmental Quality Staff to TVA divisions and other governmental agencies in regard to environmental quality controls for installations. This series also includes audits, budgets, and other records relating to administration and management.

### **Records of the Property Services Division**

Town Lift Program Records, 1963-1983. Records pertain to TVA's technical assistance program offered to small cities and towns throughout the Valley, of developing plans for revitalization of historic structures, off-street parking and downtown beautification. Non-textual records include transparencies, architectural and landscape drawings, and photographs.

Civil Works Administration Project Files, 1934-1935. Records consist of marketing surveys TVA conducted to determine the amount of basic electrical household equipment people were using.

Administrative Release System and Announcement, 1933-1990. The records are non-textual and include microfilm documenting TVA policy and activities, release (Authority directives) codes, instructions, announcements, and manuals.

### **Records of the Division of Management System**

Correspondence Files, 1954-1989. ARC Identifier 4576602 and 4576603. Records relate to the administration of TVA's automatic data processing policies and procedures. The records are correspondence.

### **Records of the Division of Personnel, 1933-1963**

The records relate to TVA's job training programs, salary policies, employee-manager relationships, contracts, wage rates, and job descriptions. Personnel records also document the activities of E.B. Shultz, Personnel Relations Branch Chief. The records are correspondence and memoranda.

### **Records of the Public Service Safety Branch**

Emergency Preparedness Program, 1951-1987. Records document national emergency response planning for each office within each agency. The records are case files, program outlines, and reports.

### **Records of Labor Relations, Corporate Relations and Development**

Records of Employee Relations, 1939-1984. Records related to work stoppages and strikes, and contain files of individual employees who participated in these actions. The records are files of evidence of participation in a strike, some include a photograph of strike participants.

### **Records of the Regional Studies Department**

Office of Economic and Community Development, 1940-1948. Records relate to economic changes of residents and communities within the valley brought about by TVA dams, flood control measures, and recreational projects. Many of the records contain important socio-economic data assembled for the preparation of these studies. Records consist of correspondence, studies, and surveys conducted by or for the Department.

Architectural Records, George Richardson File, 1940-1948. The records concern construction specifications for buildings used by supporting activities on TVA installation from cafeterias and housing to hospitals and community buildings. The records are specifications for demolition, excavation, and grading. Non-textual records include photographs, drawings, and blueprints.

## **Records of the Office of Resource Development**

Recreation Resources Map File, 1933-1974. The records are non-textual and contain maps of recreational facilities that were built and operated by TVA on selected reservoirs and reservations. The maps are site plans.

Industrial Staff Work Files on Tellico, 1965-1984. Records convey data used to justify construction of the Tellico Dam. Records include files reporting on opposition to the project.

## **Records of the Office of the Power Manager**

Correspondence Files, 1923-1978. ARC Identifier 281490. These records contain correspondence, operating manuals, contracts, blue prints, reports, Board agenda, drawings, maps, and surveys pertaining to the development of plans, policies, and programs necessary to meet current demands for power as well as plans for meeting future power needs. Records include administrative material such as legal policies, training policies, health and safety issues, computer programs, and contracts. In addition, these records involve material relating to conservation and energy management such as home insulation, thermal storage, solar energy, fossil power generation, and nuclear power. The majority of this record series contains material encompassing TVA's interchange with power customers including distributors of TVA power and other neighboring utilities; relocation of transmission lines; national security policies entailing the production of nuclear power; the operation and maintenance records for substations; handling and production of fuel; and the financial planning and budgeting for power programs.

## **Records of the Division of Land and Forest Resources**

Forestry Relations Division Correspondence Files, Muscle Shoals, Alabama, 1933-1969 and Knoxville, Tennessee, 1970-1984. ARC Identifier 782723. These files document the work of the division in administering the forest and forest products industries throughout the Tennessee River Valley. This series consists of correspondence, proposals, contracts, reports, and maps relating to the operations of the Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA) Forestry Program. Records pertain to the following topics and TVA programs: timber sales, forestry industry, forest management demonstrations, forest land ownership, vegetation studies, forest thinning and growth, wildlife habitat inventory, waterfowl development, cultural resources, young adult and youth conservation corps, recreation resources, fish and wildlife development, and environmental energy education, among others.

Forestry Photograph File and Index, 1930-1970. The records are non-textual and consist of photographs documenting forestry activities such as tree planting, seed collection, and erosion control.

## **Records of the Division of Navigation Development and Regional Studies**

Correspondence, 1968-1979. ARC Identifier 821369. This series consists of correspondence accumulated by the Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA) Division of Navigation Development

and Regional Studies. Speeches, press releases, studies, and reports are filed among the correspondence. This series relates to the impact of TVA programs and policies on surrounding communities and organizations as well as to TVA's interaction with individuals, public and private groups, and other government agencies and officials.

Records connect to the following operational categories: administration and management; dams, reservoirs, and waterways; power; fertilizer; chemical munitions development; resource development; real property; health and safety; materials and equipment; and other general subjects.

Records contain data on geographic areas affected by TVA projects. Among areas for which historical data is provided are Bellefonte, Kentucky; Jonesboro, Tennessee; Tishomingo, Mississippi; Seven Mile Island, Alabama; Hartsville, Tennessee; and Cherokee, North Carolina. Files present information pertaining to numerous communities and municipalities within and beyond the Tennessee River Valley, much of which centers on budget and infrastructure.

### **Records of the Information Office**

Kodak Negative File, 1933-1976. ARC Identifier 279689. The series consists of approximately 531,000 negatives including the following scenes: power generation facilities; Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA) buildings, both under construction and completed; agricultural projects; Civilian Conservation Corps Camps; steam plants; nuclear plants; TVA events, such as dedications at dams, water races, and celebrations; and natural disasters. In addition, the photos depict family homes, farms, and mills in TVA construction areas, and in some cases, include pictures of the families themselves. All families and their homes are identified by name. Also included are photos of towns, streets, churches, schools, courthouses and graveyards.

Oral History Program, 1976-1983. Records relate to oral history interviews with former and current TVA employees and staff and with Tennessee Valley residents. Records include an abstract of each interview, biographical sketches of interviewees, a copy of the release agreement, and either an index to information mentioned in the tape, or a transcript of each tape. Non-textual records consist of cassette tape recordings of each interview.

### **Division of Environmental Research and Development**

Fertilizer Works Photographs, 1934-1942. ARC Identifier 656710. This series contains photographs taken at the Tennessee Valley Authority nitrate plant by Wilson Dam construction contractor, Stone and Webster Engineering Corporation. The photographs include general views of the facility as well as close-up shots of particular pieces of equipment used in the chemical industry. Among the photographs are numerous newspaper excerpts from the Florence, Alabama "Daily News" relating to awards received by nitrate plant employees during World War II. Some photographs document women and African Americans working at the plant.

## **Records of the Office of the Chief of Ordnance**

Record Group 156

1825 – 1966

- **General Agency Information:**

**Established:** By the act organizing the Ordnance Department (4 Stat. 504), April 5, 1832, from a combined corps of ordnance and artillery.

**Predecessor Agencies:**

- Ordnance Department (1812-21)
- Corps of Ordnance and Artillery (1821-32)

**Functions:** Developed, tested, maintained, repaired, procured, and distributed army ordnance and ordnance equipment.

**Abolished:** Effective August 1, 1962, by General Order 44, Department of the Army, July 23, 1962, with functions transferred to United States Army Materiel Command.

**Successor Agencies:** U.S. Army Materiel Command.

- **Records in the National Archives at Atlanta:**

Records of the following offices and divisions:

Alabama Ordnance Works (Sylacauga, AL), 1941-1946.  
Anniston Ordnance Depot, 1944-1966.  
Atlanta Ordnance Depot, 1942-1949.  
Augusta Arsenal, 1825-1955.  
Birmingham Ordnance District, 1942-1959.  
Blue Grass Ordnance and Lexington Army Depot (Lexington, KY), 1942-1964.  
Blue Grass Ordnance Depot (Richmond, KY), 1944-1950.  
Charleston General Ordnance Depot, 1919-1953.  
Columbia Arsenal, 1889-1905.  
East Tennessee Ordnance Works, 1934-1945.  
Gadsden Ordnance Works, 1940-1942.  
Hancock Ordnance Training Camp, 1918-1919.  
Holston Ordnance Works, 1942-1950.  
Louisville Arsenal, 1861-1863.  
Milan Arsenal (Wolf Creek Arsenal Plant), 1940-1948.  
Mississippi Ordnance Plant, 1942-1944.  
Nashville Ordnance Depot, 1862-1864.  
Ohio River Ordnance Works, 1941-1950.  
Tampa Ordnance Depot, 1898-1898.  
Volunteer Ordnance Works, 1942-1945.

Though each office and division may vary, the files within this series usually contain factual data about various topics including advanced payments, construction authorities, land acquisitions, lumber reports, procedure, procurement, etc. Also included are historical reports of the ordnance



plant, press clippings and releases, black and white photographs of the construction of the plant and original buildings on the reservation, maps, and charts.

General Administration files include correspondence, organizational and structural charts, memos, operation reports, general orders, information bulletins, regulations and procedures, meeting minutes, reports, surveys, inspections, training operations, historical reports, contracts, manuals, and directives.

## **Records of the Chemical Warfare Service**

Record Group 175

1942 – 1950

- **General Agency Information:**

**Established:** As a technical service of the army by General Order 62, War Department, June 28, 1918, consolidating scattered functions relating to gas offense and defense. Name changed to the Chemical Corps, September 6, 1946, by act of August 2, 1946 (60 Stat. 861).

**Predecessor Agencies:**

- In the Department of the Interior:
  - War Gas Investigations, Bureau of Mines (1917-18)
- In the War Department:
  - Chemical Service Section, National Army (1917-18)
  - Gas Defense Division, Surgeon General's Office (1917-18)
  - Gas Offense Production Division, Office of the Chief of Ordnance (1917-18)

**Transfers:** To War Department General Staff (WDGS) as a technical staff division, 1939; to Services of Supply (SOS), effective March 9, 1942, by Circular 59, War Department, March 2, 1942, as part of a War Department reorganization authorized by EO 9082, February 28, 1942; SOS redesignated Army Service Forces (ASF) by General Order 14, War Department, March 12, 1943; to WDGS upon abolishment of ASF, effective June 11, 1946, by Circular 138, War Department, May 14, 1946, implementing EO 9722, May 13, 1946; to the Army Staff, Department of the Army, upon reorganization of the armed services under the National Security Act of 1947 (61 Stat. 495), July 26, 1947.

**Functions:** Developed, tested, and supplied offensive weapons using toxic or noxious gases, and defensive countermeasures. Supervised army training in chemical warfare.

**Abolished:** Effective August 1, 1962, General Order 44, Department of the Army, July 23, 1962.

**Successor Agencies:** U.S. Army Materiel Command.

- **Records in the National Archives at Atlanta:**

Chemical Procurement District of Huntsville, AL and Atlanta, GA, 1947-1950. This series of records includes memorandums, personnel responsibilities and duties, correspondence, organizational charts, mobilization plans, and division duties. Also included are histories of the Atlanta Chemical Procurement District, histories of the Chicago Chemical Procurement District, and a history of New York Chemical Procurement District. Within the histories are reports of revisions/changes, physical facilities, personnel, training, plans, operations, equipment, and maps.

# Records of the National Resources Planning Board

Record Group 187

1914 – 1943

- **General Agency Information:**

**Established:** In the Executive Office of the President by Reorganization Plan No. I of 1939, effective July 1, 1939, consolidating the National Resources Committee and functions formerly vested in the Federal Employment Stabilization Office (Department of Commerce).

**Predecessor Agencies:**

- National Planning Board, Federal Emergency Administration of
- Public Works (FEAPW, 1933-34)
- National Resources Board (1934-35)
- National Resources Committee (1935-39)
- Federal Employment Stabilization Board (1931-34)
- Federal Employment Stabilization Office (FESO), Department of Commerce (1934-35)

**Functions:** Planned public works. Coordinated federal planning related to conservation and use of national resources. Conducted long-range research studies. Stimulated local, state, and regional planning. After 1939 performed special duties related to the national defense.

**Abolished:** Effective August 31, 1943, by the Independent Offices Appropriation Act of 1944 (57 Stat. 169), June 26, 1943, with liquidation completed by January 1, 1944.

- **Records in the National Archives at Atlanta:**

The records of Region 3 document the planning for use and development of natural resources (especially water, soil, and forests) and industry throughout the South including cooperation with the non-Federal Southeastern Regional Planning Commission. The region worked on several projects such as a Southern Forest Resources Survey, a Coala Valley (southern Alabama and Georgia) Planning Project, a Southeastern Florida Joint Investigation, and defense and economic studies. The record series include correspondence, reports, minutes of meetings, and reference material.

**Ten Point Regional Development Plan, 1939-1940.** The series contains reports, plans, drafts, and studies from various regions across the United States. Within the files is information on a variety of subjects including industry, transportation (both roadways and airways), recreation, agricultural improvement and sustainability, mining, fisheries, soil conservation, pollution, rural electrification, public health, forestry, and plans for preservation, control, and use of land and water. Also included are charts and tables with statistical information.

**General Reference Files.** This series includes reports, studies, manuals, and other reference publications from a variety of groups, organizations, and agencies. Covered topics include mental health studies, marketing agricultural products, construction of bridges, flood control, fire prevention and control, guides to field activities of the Soil Conservation Service, forest surveys, lumber and timber, and land use. Non-textual records include maps.

Southern Forest Resource Survey, 1937-1940. This series of records deals with forest surveys conducted in several Southern states including Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, and Texas. The records are mostly correspondence, reports, and studies. Includes draft reports and statistical information (charts and tables) about land use and forest resources.

Drainage Basin Committees, 1939-1942. Records within this series are reports and correspondence about various drainage basin projects across the South. Series includes information about water, forest, land, and wildlife resources.

## **Records of the Federal Aviation Administration**

Record Group 237

1938 – 1996

- **General Agency Information:**

**Established:** In the Department of Transportation by the Department of Transportation Act (80 Stat. 932), October 15, 1966.

**Predecessor Agencies:**

- In the Commerce Department:
  - Aeronautics Branch (1926-34)
  - Bureau of Air Commerce (1934-38)
  - Bureau of Air Mail, Interstate Commerce Commission (ICC, 1934-38)
  - Civil Aeronautics Authority (1938-40)
  - Civil Aeronautics Administration (CAA, 1940-58)
  - Civil Aeronautics Board (1940-58)
  - Airways Modernization Board (1957-58)
  - Federal Aviation Agency (1958-67)

**Functions:** Regulates air commerce. Promotes, encourages, and develops civil aeronautics. Controls the military and civil use of U.S. airspace. Develops, installs, and operates air navigation facilities and air traffic control systems.

- **Records in the National Archives at Atlanta:**

This record group consists mainly of general administration and management files. Records include correspondence, directives, reports, bulletins, organizational files, and work analyses.

## **Records of the Solid Fuels Administration for War**

Record Group 245

1937 – 1947

- **General Agency Information:**

**Established:** Within the Department of the Interior by EO 9332, April 19, 1943, replacing the Office of Solid Fuels Coordinator for War; and absorbing functions of the abolished Bituminous Coal Division, Department of the Interior, August 24, 1943.

**Predecessor Agencies:**

- National Bituminous Coal Commission (NBCC, 1937-39)
- Bituminous Coal Division (BCD), Department of the Interior (1939-43)
- Office of Solid Fuels Coordinator for National Defense (SFCND, 1941-42)
- Office of Solid Fuels Coordinator for War (SFCW, 1942-43)

**Functions:** Administered wartime government controls on solid fuels industries. Advised other agencies concerning solid fuels production, pricing, transportation, and distribution. Operated government-seized coal mines, either directly or through cooperation with successive Coal Mines Administrations.

**Abolished:** Effective June 30, 1947, by EO 9847, May 6, 1947.

**Successor Agencies:** Department of the Interior as liquidator.

- **Records in the National Archives at Atlanta:**

Survey of Coal Mine Situations, 1944-1946. This series of records is organized alphabetically by city and contains mostly reports that provide names of coal suppliers and dealers, number of population served, number of cars and total number of tons received. Also included is correspondence about supplying coal to communities that need it and declarations from consumers justifying why coal is needed in their communities when coal was not used in the previous year.

Authorization of Shipment. This series deals with authorizations and orders to ship more coal to certain communities and dealers. Also includes reasons why certain requests for certain types of coal or specific amounts were denied.

Coal Situation Summaries, 1943-1946. Records are mostly reports and correspondence that provide a brief summary of the coal situation in specific communities. The records provide details whether the towns have enough coal or not.

Statistical Reports of "Sample Coal" and Reports on Exports, 1943-1947. This series of records consists mainly of reports, correspondence, and order to ship coal. The reports provide information about the type, size, freight rate, and tonnage of coal being shipped.

Reports of Coal Production, 1943-1947. The series of records is mostly tables and forms which contain information about coal production across the region. The types of information provided include size of coal ordered, consumption requirements, summary of distribution, how coal was moved (i.e. rail, truck, lake, etc.), and tonnage expected to be shipped.

Reports from Coal Producers, 1943-1947. Records consist of reports which provide information such as number of men working, number of shifts worked, tonnage produced daily, normal production numbers, and explanations of problems that affected production from specific mining operations.

Correspondence of the BCC with NRA Members Producing RR Coal, 1937-1943. This series of records contain correspondence between various offices concerning daily operations, billing and shipment information, and invoices.

## **Records of the Petroleum Administration for War**

Record Group 253

1943 – 1945

- **General Agency Information:**

**Established:** As an independent agency by EO 9276, December 2, 1942.

**Predecessor Agencies:**

- Office of the Petroleum Coordinator for National Defense (1941-42)
- Office of the Petroleum Coordinator for War (1942)

**Functions** Exercised oversight responsibility for the activities of the wartime petroleum industry, including conservation, research and development, resource allocation, and shipment.

**Abolished:** Effective May 8, 1946, by EO 9718, May 3, 1946.

**Successor Agencies:** Oil and Gas Division, Department of the Interior.

- **Records in the National Archives at Atlanta:**

Zone 4 Office, Charlotte, North Carolina. The records related to the blending of premium gasoline, farmers' use of petroleum, and petroleum marketing and development. The records are primarily correspondence.

Zones 4 and 5, Atlanta, Georgia Office. The records relate to the conservation, demand, use, marketing, and development of petroleum. They consist primarily of correspondence and reports.



## **Records of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration**

Record Group 255

1935 – 2009

- **General Agency Information:**

**Established:** As an independent agency by the National Aeronautics and Space Act (72 Stat. 426), July 29, 1958.

**Predecessor Agencies:**

National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics (NACA, 1915-58)

**Functions:** Conducts research on problems of flight. Develops aeronautical and space vehicles. Explores outer space. Participates in international programs for the peaceful development of space technology.

**See separate finding aid for information regarding records from the National Aeronautics and Space Administration**

## **Records of the Agricultural Research Service**

Record Group 310

1907 – 1965

- **General Agency Information:**

**Established:** In the Department of Agriculture, by Secretary's Memorandum 1000-1, June 17, 1981, and formal order, published as 46 FR 47747, September 30, 1981.

**Predecessor Agencies:**

- Agricultural Research Administration (ARA, 1942-53)
- ARS (1953-78)
- Federal Research Staff, Science and Education Administration (SEA, 1978)
- Agriculture Research Staff, SEA (1979-81)

**Functions:** Directs the basic and applied research program of the Department of Agriculture.

- **Records in the National Archives at Atlanta:**

Naval Stores Laboratory, Olustee, Florida, 1907-1965. The records relate to the work of the laboratory in turning timber into high-quality naval stores. The records consist primarily of correspondence and technical and public information publications. Non-textual records include photographs.

## **Records of the Atomic Energy Commission**

Record Group 326

1938 – 1987

- **General Agency Information:**

**Established:** As an independent agency, by the Atomic Energy Act of 1946 (60 Stat. 755), August 1, 1946.

**Predecessor Agencies:**

- Manhattan Engineer District (MED), U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (1942-47)

**Functions:** Controlled development and production of atomic weapons. Directed research and development of civilian uses of atomic energy. Regulated privately owned nuclear fuels and production facilities, pursuant to Atomic Energy Act amendments of 1954 (68 Stat. 919), August 30, 1954, and amendments of 1964 (78 Stat. 602), August 26, 1964.

**Abolished:** By the Energy Reorganization Act of 1974 (88 Stat. 1237), October 11, 1974.

- **Records in the National Archives at Atlanta:**

### **Records of the Oak Ridge Assistant Manager for Public Education**

Correspondence Files, 1944-1968. ARC Identifier 281567. The series consists of correspondence, memoranda, copies of reports and studies, transcripts of speeches, press releases, newspaper clippings and copies of magazine articles about the Manhattan District, the Atomic Energy Commission and its contractors. The records reflect the post-war effort to inform the public of the secret effort to develop the atom bomb and the facilities and contractors involved. There is a great deal of correspondence from contractors asking for permission to publicize their role in the program during World War II. These records reflect the wide-ranging efforts of the AEC to educate the public about nuclear energy. Included are programs aimed at the general public and programs aimed at professional atomic scientists and engineers.

### **Records of the Oak Ridge Community Affairs Division, 1943-1960**

### **Records of the Oak Ridge Contracts Division, 1963-1969**

### **Records of the Oak Ridge Engineering and Construction Division, 1947-1966**

### **Records of the Oak Ridge Organization and Personnel Division, 1946-1966**

### **Records of the Oak Ridge Production/Energy Construction Branch, 1947-1949**

### **Records of the Oak Ridge Production Plant Construction Branch, 1947-1950**

### **Records of the Oak Ridge Reactor Division, 1955-1966**

Correspondence Files, 1963-1968. ARC Identifier 281564. The series consists of correspondence files of memoranda, letters, meeting minutes, and records of inspections of

various components of nuclear reactors. Much of the material relates to contractors involved in the programs.

### **Records of the Oak Ridge Research Division, 1944-1966**

Official Files, 1944-1966. ARC Identifier 734531. This series consists of correspondence, reports, directives, memoranda, contracts, budgets, surveys, research proposals, meeting minutes, mail logs, daily diaries, publications, speeches, and news releases relating to operations of the Research Division at Oak Ridge, Tennessee.

Records connect to the following operational categories: research and development; medicine, health, and safety; personnel; security and intelligence; information and publications; budget, accounting, and finance; communications; contracts; equipment and supplies; organization and management; and policy and procedure. This series also includes drawings, plans, and specifications for the construction of plants, laboratories, and buildings.

Records pertain to the U.S. nuclear program in the post World War II era and document the division's involvement in reactor development and isotope production. Records include information on research and development contracts between the Atomic Energy Commission and private research institutions and universities, including the University of Tennessee, the University of Georgia, and Emory University, among numerous others.

### **Records of the Oak Ridge Research and Development Division, 1947-1968, and the successor organization Research**

### **Records of the Oak Ridge Research and Technical Support Division, 1969-1973**

Correspondence Files, 1947-1973. ARC Identifier 281566. The series consists of correspondence files of memoranda, letters, meeting minutes, copies of reports and studies, and handwritten notes. There are also records dealing with the administration of contracts by universities engaged in nuclear research and development and in training in the atomic and nuclear sciences. The universities vary, including, the University of Tennessee and the Oak Ridge Associated Universities, the Oak Ridge Institute of Nuclear Studies, and the Oak Ridge National Lab.

### **Records of the Oak Ridge Research and Medicine Division, 1944-1950**

### **Records of the Oak Ridge Security Division, 1950-1962**

Correspondence Files, 1952-1960. ARC Identifier 281565. The series consists of correspondence, memoranda, bulletins and other policy issuances from Oak Ridge and other Atomic Energy Commission (AEC) Operations Offices. In addition, reports, security breaches, requests to visit AEC facilities, and policy development documents are included

The records document the atomic bomb program, the development of civilian uses of nuclear energy, and the construction and management of the city of Oak Ridge. The records are

correspondence, journals, news releases, and the newspaper Oak Ridge Journal. Non-textual records include architectural drawings, blueprints, and maps.

Records of the following contractors:

Columbia University, 1942-1947.

General Electric Company, 1955-1962.

Linde Air Products, 1942-1947.

Tennessee Eastman Corporation, 1942-1947.

Union Carbide Corporation (Experimental Gas Cooled Reactor Project), 1962-1966.

The records relate to the development and testing of nuclear energy. The records include correspondence, contract reports, technical reports and studies, progress reports, plant schedules, financial reports, and manuals.

**Records of the Manhattan Engineer District**

Central Files, 1942-1950. The records relate to all aspects of activities coordinated by the office including contract work and Manhattan Engineer District area offices throughout the country. The records consist of correspondence some Manhattan Engineer District headquarters files, and reports.

**Records of the New York Operations Office, 1973-1949**

The records related to the atomic bomb program and the development of civilian uses of nuclear energy. The records are correspondence, news releases, and technical reports.

**Records of the Savannah River Plant, Aiken, South Carolina, 1950-1972**

The records relate to the Technical Production Division, the Dana Plant (a prototype plant in Indiana), and E.I. du Pont de Nemours and Company and include correspondence, technical reports, work orders and requests, meeting minutes, press releases, project history files, and budget records. Non-textual records include plans, drawings, and specifications.

## **Records of the National Agricultural Statistic Service**

Record Group 355

1909 – 1971

- **General Agency Information:**

**Established:** In the Department of Agriculture by Secretary's Memorandum 1020-24, April 17, 1986.

**Predecessor Agencies:**

- Division of Statistics (1863-1903)
- Bureau of Statistics (1903-14)
- Bureau of Crop Estimates (1914-21)
- Bureau of Markets and Crop Estimates (1921-22)
- Bureau of Agricultural Economics (BAE, 1922-39)
- Division of Agricultural Statistics, Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS, 1939-42)
- BAE (1942-53)
- Farm Economics Research Division, Agricultural Research Service (ARS, 1953-61)
- Statistical Reporting Service (1961-77)
- Economics, Statistics, and Cooperatives Service (1977-80)
- Economics and Statistics Service (1980-81)
- Statistical Reporting Service (1981-86)

**Functions:** Prepares estimates and reports on agricultural production, supplies, and prices, and on other aspects of farm economy, including agricultural wages and employment.

- **Records in the National Archives at Atlanta:**

Field Office Releases, Montgomery, Alabama, 1941-1971. Records within this series deal with statistical information concerning agricultural and livestock production in the state of Alabama. Types of records include questionnaires about acreage used for crop production, reports and correspondence concerning farm prices, crop price indices, livestock inventories, crop production estimates and statistics, weather reports, fertilizer use and electrical equipment statistics.

Records of the following offices and divisions:

Athens, Georgia, 1909-1967.  
Columbia, South Carolina, 1918-1965.  
Nashville, Tennessee, 1954-1959.  
Orlando, Florida, 1951-1962.  
Raleigh, North Carolina, 1953-1968.

This series of records contains correspondence and various reports concerning statistical information gathered from the above mention areas. The statistics provided cover many topics of agricultural and livestock production including price indices for various crops, total crop production, livestock inventories, and weather reports.

# Records of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

Record Group 370

1969 – 1969

- **General Agency Information:**

**Established:** In the Department of Commerce by Reorganization Plan No. 4 of 1970, effective October 3, 1970, consolidating the Environmental Science Services Administration (ESSA) and the Bureau of Commercial Fisheries.

**Predecessor Agencies:**

- Meteorological functions:
  - Office of the Surgeon General, War Department (1818-70)
  - Smithsonian Institution (1847-70)
  - Office of the Chief Signal Officer, War Department (1870-90)
  - Weather Bureau, Department of Agriculture (1890-1940)
  - Weather Bureau, Department of Commerce (1940-65)
  - Weather Bureau, ESSA, Department of Commerce (1965-70)
- Coast and geodetic survey functions:
  - Survey of the Coast, Department of the Treasury (1816-18)
  - Department of the Navy (coastal surveys, 1818-32)
  - Survey of the Coast, Department of the Treasury (1832-34)
  - Survey of the Coast, Department of the Navy (1834-36)
  - Coast Survey, Department of the Treasury (1836-78)
  - Coast and Geodetic Survey, Department of the Treasury (1878-1903)
  - Coast and Geodetic Survey, Department of Commerce and Labor (1903-13)
  - Coast and Geodetic Survey, Department of Commerce (1913-65)
  - Coast and Geodetic Survey, ESSA, Department of Commerce (1965-70)
- Commercial fishery resource functions:
  - Office of U.S. Commissioner of Fish and Fisheries (1871-1903)
  - Bureau of Fisheries, Department of Commerce and Labor (1903-13)
  - Bureau of Fisheries, Department of Commerce (1913-39)
  - Bureau of Fisheries, Department of the Interior (1939-40)
  - Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior (1940-56)
  - Bureau of Commercial Fisheries, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior (1957-70)

**Functions:** Administers the following services: National Weather Service (meteorological observation, forecasting, and reporting); National Marine Fisheries Service (commercial fish and marine mammal resource development and conservation); National Environmental Satellite, Data, and Information Service (operation of National Climatic Data Center, National Geophysical Data Center, and National Oceanographic Center); and National Ocean Service (coast and geodetic surveys). Administers the Office of Oceanic and Atmospheric Research (operation of oceanographic, meteorological, environmental, and geophysical research laboratories).

- **Records in the National Archives at Atlanta:**

Tropical Storm Wallets, 1969. This series of records contains information about the 1969 Atlantic hurricane season. The files contain public announcements, bulletins, advisories, information about watches and warnings, newspaper clippings, data about the hurricane's path (including latitude and longitude coordinates), wind and rain projections, reports about areas affected by the hurricane including information about pressure, wind speed, total rainfall, casualties, and property damage. The series is organized by hurricane and includes information about the following storms:

Anna, Blanche, Camille, Debbie, Eve, Francelia, Gerda, Holly, and Inga.



# **Records of the Environmental Protection Agency**

Record Group 412

1965 – 1995

- **General Agency Information:**

**Established:** As an independent agency by Reorganization Plan No. 3 of 1970, effective December 2, 1970, consolidating Federal Water Quality Administration, Department of the Interior; Federal Radiation Council, an independent agency; and Environmental Health Service (Environmental Control Administration and National Air Pollution Control Administration), Public Health Service (PHS), Department of Health, Education, and Welfare (HEW).

**Predecessor Agencies:**

- Federal Radiation Council (1959-70)
- In the Public Health Service, Federal Security Administration (FSA, 1949-53) and HEW (1953-70):
  - Division of Water Supply and Pollution Control (DWSPC, 1949-65)
  - Federal Water Pollution Control Administration (FWPCA, 1965-66, to Interior)
  - Bureau of Disease Prevention and Environmental Control (BDPEC, 1966-68)
- In the Consumer Protection and Environmental Health Service (CPEHS, 1968-70), PHS, HEW and Environmental Health Service (EHS, 1970), PHS, HEW:
  - Environmental Control Administration (ECA, 1968-70)
  - National Air Pollution Control Administration (NAPCA, 1968-70)
- In the Department of the Interior:
  - Federal Water Pollution Control Administration (1966-70)
  - Federal Water Quality Administration (1970)

**Functions:** Coordinates federal action to reduce environmental pollution.

- **Records in the National Archives at Atlanta:**

Records of the Office of Policy and Management, Region IV, Atlanta. Region IV includes Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Tennessee. The records concern public hearings on permits for ocean dumping and pollutant discharge. They are correspondence, notes, news releases, and newspaper clippings, reports, and transcripts.

## **Records of the Air Hazardous Waste Regional Office**

State Implementation Plan Files (SIP), 10/01/1972-09/30/1977. ARC Identifier 281591. The series contains copies of plans developed by the states for the attainment and maintenance of national ambient air quality standards, as required by section 110 of the Clean Air Act. The material includes plans and amendments, public and industrial comments, public hearing documents, compliance schedules, status reports, initial documents, section 307 lawsuit documents, contracts, and progress reports.

## **Records of the Water Management Division**

Kentucky-Tennessee Drainage Well Inventory, 1984-1984. ARC Identifier 281592. This record series includes working manuals for local governments with sinkhole flooding problems and for those agencies concerned with sinkhole flooding and groundwater contamination. The manuals identify the topographic quadrangles used in the geographical location of each well.

## **Records of the Office of Water**

Water Grant Project Files, 12/01/1969-02/13/1975. ARC Identifier 281587. This series consists of compliance reports and documentation for Federal reimbursable funds. Files include copies of contracts and reports submitted by contractors and grantees.

## **Records of the Regional Administrator and Staff**

Environmental Impact Statements Coordination Files, 10/01/1974-09/30/1976. ARC Identifier 281588. Project categories include transportation, urban renewal, water resources, energy development and Federal land use plans. Issues addressed include housing developments, highway construction, erosion in navigable water areas, geological changes, parks and recreational facilities, and plant and wildlife conditions. Documentation consists of copies of printed draft statements, and printed final correspondence.

## **Records of the Enforcement Compliance Monitoring Office**

180 Day Notice Files - Water, 1972-1973. ARC Identifier 281594. The files contain data related to action initiated against a particular city investigated for water pollution. The city is given 180 days to develop a program to correct pollution-causing conditions. The records include comments from city officials and interested citizens, along with informal hearings, fact finding reports, news clippings, and proposed solutions.

Records of Public Hearings, 01/01/1973-12/30/1985. ARC Identifier 281590. The records consist of citizen and congressional inquiries, administrative documentation for the arrangement and scheduling of hearings, public notice of hearings, and copies of hearing transcripts. Included are registration cards of participants and several audio tapes from the hearings.

Adjudicatory Hearings, 01/01/1973-12/30/1985. ARC Identifier 281589. The files are comprised of administrative documents for the arrangement of hearings, public notices of hearings, and pre-hearing transcripts. In addition to these documents, the judgment orders issued by Administrative Law Judges, transcripts of hearings and exhibit materials are usually included.

Water Quality Standards Conference Proceedings, 04/08/1969-04/15/1971. ARC Identifier 281593. The records contain conference hearings, proceedings, correspondence and recommendations for the establishment of water quality standards for interstate river basin waterways. Included in the proceedings are tables, graphs, and technical data supporting standards subject to the jurisdiction of the states.

## **Records of the Atmospheric Sciences Modeling Division, Triangle Park, North Carolina**

Air Quality In-House Project Files, 02/01/1978-10/01/1987. ARC Identifier 281586. The reports contain studies, architectural and engineering drawings and maps used as models for documenting various types of hazardous air pollutants. Included in these reports are levels of toxic materials emitted from fuels, crushed stone, and municipal sewage sludge which involve materials such as coal, lead, zinc, copper, sulfur, arsenic, trichloroethylene, and mercury. The project files also provide risk assessment information and assistance on air pollution problems for the Environmental Protection Agency regions, other Federal agencies, state and local authorities.

## **Records of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission**

Record Group 431

1974 – 1982

- **General Agency Information:**

**Established:** As an independent agency by the Energy Reorganization Act of 1974 (88 Stat. 1242), October 11, 1974. Became operational, effective January 19, 1975, by EO 11834, January 15, 1975.

**Predecessor Agencies:**

- Atomic Energy Commission (AEC, 1946-74)

**Functions:** Regulates the civilian uses of nuclear energy by licensing persons and companies to own and use nuclear materials, and to build and operate nuclear reactors. Conducts inspections to ensure compliance with licensing standards.

- **Records in the National Archives at Atlanta:**

### **Records of the Public Affairs Office**

Press Releases, Atlanta, 1974-1982. The records relate to informing the public about the Commission's regulation of the nuclear energy including prevention of nuclear-related emergencies and include briefings, press releases, and transcripts of speeches.

# Records of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Record Group 442

1887 – 2006

- **General Agency Information:**

**Established:** As an operating health agency of the Public Health Service (PHS), Department of Health and Human Services, by the Preventive Health Amendments of 1992 (106 Stat. 3469), October 27, 1992.

**Predecessor Agencies:**

- In the PHS, Federal Security Agency (FSA, 1942-53); PHS, Department of Health, Education, and Welfare (HEW, 1953-79); and PHS, Department of Health and Human Services (HHS, 1979-80):
  - Office of National Defense Malaria Control Activities (1942)
  - Office of Malaria Control in War Areas (1942-43)
  - Office of Malaria Control in War Areas, States Relations Division (SRS), Bureau of State Services (BSS, 1943-46)
  - Office of Typhus Fever Control (1942-43)
  - Office of Typhus Fever Control, SRS, BSS (1943-44)
  - Typhus Fever Control Unit, SRS, BSS (1944-45, to Office of Malaria Control in War Areas)
  - Communicable Disease Center (CDC, 1946-67)
  - National Communicable Disease Center (NCDC), Bureau of Disease Prevention and Environmental Control (BDPEC, 1967-68)
  - NCDC, BDPEC, Health Services and Mental Health Administration (HSMHA, 1968) NCDC, HSMHA (1968-70)
  - Center for Disease Control, HSMHA (1970-73)
  - Center for Disease Control (1973-80)
  - Centers for Disease Control (1980-92)

**Functions:** Administers national programs for prevention and control of communicable and vector-borne diseases. Develops and implements programs to improve environmental health. Directs and enforces foreign quarantines. Consults with and assists other nations and international bodies.

- **Records in the National Archives at Atlanta:**

Records of the Center for Disease Control and Prevention Office, Atlanta, including the Offices of the Director, Information, Facilities Planning, Interagency Commission on Back Contamination [relating to retuning Lunar mission], Management Analysis, Public Advisory Commission, Training, and World Health Organization Liaison. The records document organization administration and operation of the CDC and studies of disease control and prevention throughout the United States and the world including the work of predecessor agencies such as the Office of Malaria Control in War Areas, the Office of Typhus Control, and the Communicable Disease Center (all units of the Public Health Service).

Included are correspondence, directives, film scripts, forms, holographs, issuances, manuscripts, memoranda, public relations files, publications, reports, and transcripts of speeches.

### **Records of the Center for Environmental Health and Injury Control, 1952-1970**

Records relate to studies of environmental health topics.

### **Records of the Epidemiology Branch, 1927-1986**

Records deal with the study of polio, influenza, salmonella, and other diseases, bacteria, and viruses.

Foreign Quarantine Program, 1958-1969. Records document activities of the program around the world.

### **Records of the Malarial Eradication Bureau/Technical Development Laboratories (Savannah, Georgia), 1943-1951**

Records provide historical information concerning the Malaria Eradication Program.

### **Records of the Management Analysis Branch, 1887-1961**

Records relate to activities of the Public Health Service, the Hospital Service, and the Marine Hospital Service.

### **Records of the National Medical Audiovisual Center, 1954-1965**

Records relate to the production and distribution of films for public health information and health-professional training.

### **Records of the National Center for Infectious Diseases, 1951-1983**

Records document biological warfare, the study of infectious diseases, vector control, and initial tracking of non-risk group HIV infection resulting from contaminated blood transfusions.

### **Records of the Nutrition Program, 1955-1968**

Records related to surveying the nutrition situation and needs of the United States and foreign countries.

### **Records of the State and Community Services Division, 1955-1971**

Records relate to the diagnosis, treatment, and prevention of tuberculosis.

## **Records of the Tropical Disease Program/Bureau of Tropical Diseases, 1943-1973 and San Juan Puerto Rico Tropical Disease Lab, 1970**

Records relate to the diagnosis, treatment, and prevention of tropical diseases.

## **Records of the Venereal Disease Branch, 1929-1972**

Records relate to the Tuskegee Syphilis Study as well as to Venereal Disease seminars, workshops, and conferences. The records consist of abstracts, briefs, case files, charts, correspondence, film scripts, hearings, issuances, manuscripts, memorandums, patients' records, publications, regulations, reports, studies, and transcripts of speeches. Non-textual records include photographs.

Tuskegee Syphilis Study Administrative Records, 1929-1972. ARC Identifier 281640. This record series includes two types. First, records created during the course of the study from its beginning until its end. Second, records created during the Congressional hearing and the federal litigation, and as a result of the intense public scrutiny to which the study and the Agency were subjected when the existence of the study became public.

The files consist of records related to individual patients; publications based on findings of the study; copies of other studies and publications, apparently used for reference by physicians and scientists in the study; correspondence between medical personnel; correspondence with various foundations which provided funds for the study; administrative records created during the study; photographs of various medical tests or procedures; and photographs showing the conditions in the area around Tuskegee.

The records also include the charter, lists of members, minutes, agenda, etc. of the Department of Health, Education and Welfare Ad Hoc Advisory Study Committee, and transcripts of hearings before a Senate Health Subcommittee on the Tuskegee Syphilis Experiment. There are also records relating to the Federal Court Case, Civil Action 4126-N, Charlie Pollard vs. The United States of America, filed in the United States District Court in the Middle District of Alabama, Northern Division. These files include copies of pleadings in the case, correspondence between the plaintiff's attorney and CDC, and affidavits of study participants and others to establish their participation in the study.

## **Records of the Alcohol, Drug Abuse, and Mental Health Administration**

Record Group 511  
1929 – 1974

- **General Agency Information:**

**Established:** As a constituent unit of the Public Health Service (PHS), Department of Health, Education, and Welfare (HEW), effective September 25, 1973, by HEW reorganization. Consists of the National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH), National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism (NIAAA), and National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA). Renamed Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration by an Act of July 10, 1992 (106 Stat. 325).

**Predecessor Agencies:**

- In the Public Health Service, Department of the Treasury (1929- 39), Federal Security Agency (FSA, 1939-53), and Department of Health, Education, and Welfare (1953-73):
  - Narcotics Division (1929-30)
  - Division of Mental Hygiene (1930-43)
  - Mental Hygiene Division, Bureau of Medical Services (1943-49)
  - NIMH, National Institutes of Health (NIH, 1949-67)
  - NIMH (1967-68)
  - NIMH, Health Services and Mental Health Administration (1968-73)
  - NIMH, NIH (1973)
  - NIAAA, NIMH (1970-73)

**Functions:** Administers, through its component units, programs of research and treatment in areas of substance abuse (alcohol and drugs) and mental health.

**Abolished:** By the ADAMHA Reorganization Act (106 Stat. 323), July 10, 1992, with treatment functions formerly exercised by NIMH, NIAAA, and NIDA transferred to the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, a PHS agency established by same act; and with NIMH, NIAAA, and NIDA transferred to the National Institutes of Health as research agencies.

**Successor Agencies:** Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (1992- )

- **Records in the National Archives at Atlanta:**

### **Records of the Public Health Service Clinical Research Center, Lexington, Kentucky, 1935-1973**

The records of the following offices:

Administrative, 1936-1972.

Financial, 1937-1973.

Personnel, 1961-1974.

Property, Buildings, and Repair, 1929-1973.

Public Relations, 1939-1973.

The records document research conducted at the hospital and administrative matters such as budget and finances, building construction and modernization, and personnel policies and



training. The records consist of agreements, annual reports, correspondence, and news clippings. Non-textual records include charts, maps, and photographs.