

# REGULATORY PROGRAM OVERVIEW

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# Regulatory Program Goals

- Protect navigation and prevent obstructions in the nation's waters
- Provide strong protection of the nation's aquatic environment, including wetlands
- Enhance the efficiency of regulatory program administration
- Provide fair and reasonable decisions



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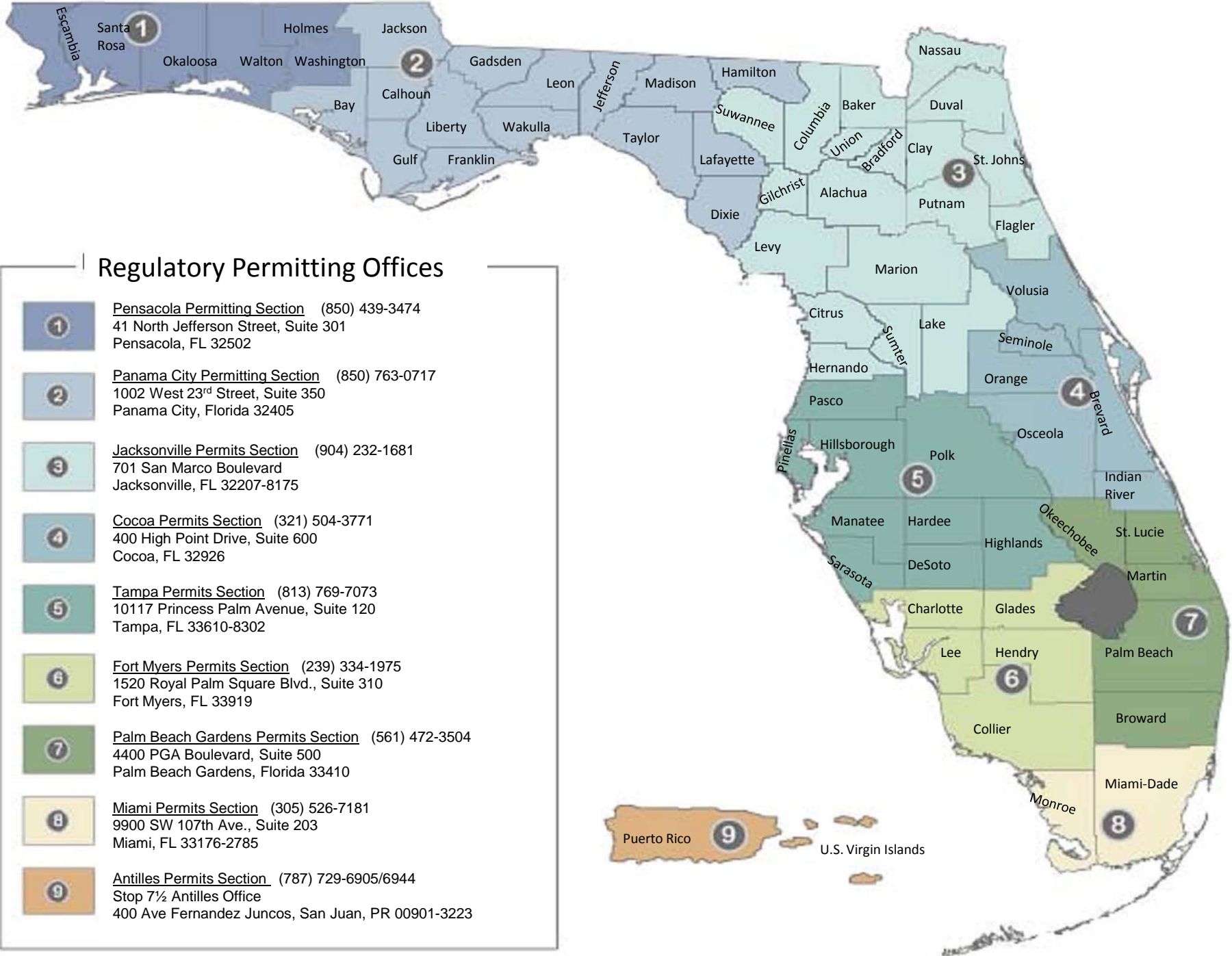
# Regulatory Overview

- Jacksonville District administers the largest regulatory permitting program in USACE
  - Protects waters of the U.S., including federally-delineated wetlands and navigable waters



- Jacksonville District's Regulatory Division has jurisdiction over Florida, Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands.





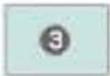
## Regulatory Permitting Offices



**Pensacola Permitting Section** (850) 439-3474  
 41 North Jefferson Street, Suite 301  
 Pensacola, FL 32502



**Panama City Permitting Section** (850) 763-0717  
 1002 West 23<sup>rd</sup> Street, Suite 350  
 Panama City, Florida 32405



**Jacksonville Permits Section** (904) 232-1681  
 701 San Marco Boulevard  
 Jacksonville, FL 32207-8175



**Cocoa Permits Section** (321) 504-3771  
 400 High Point Drive, Suite 600  
 Cocoa, FL 32926



**Tampa Permits Section** (813) 769-7073  
 10117 Princess Palm Avenue, Suite 120  
 Tampa, FL 33610-8302



**Fort Myers Permits Section** (239) 334-1975  
 1520 Royal Palm Square Blvd., Suite 310  
 Fort Myers, FL 33919



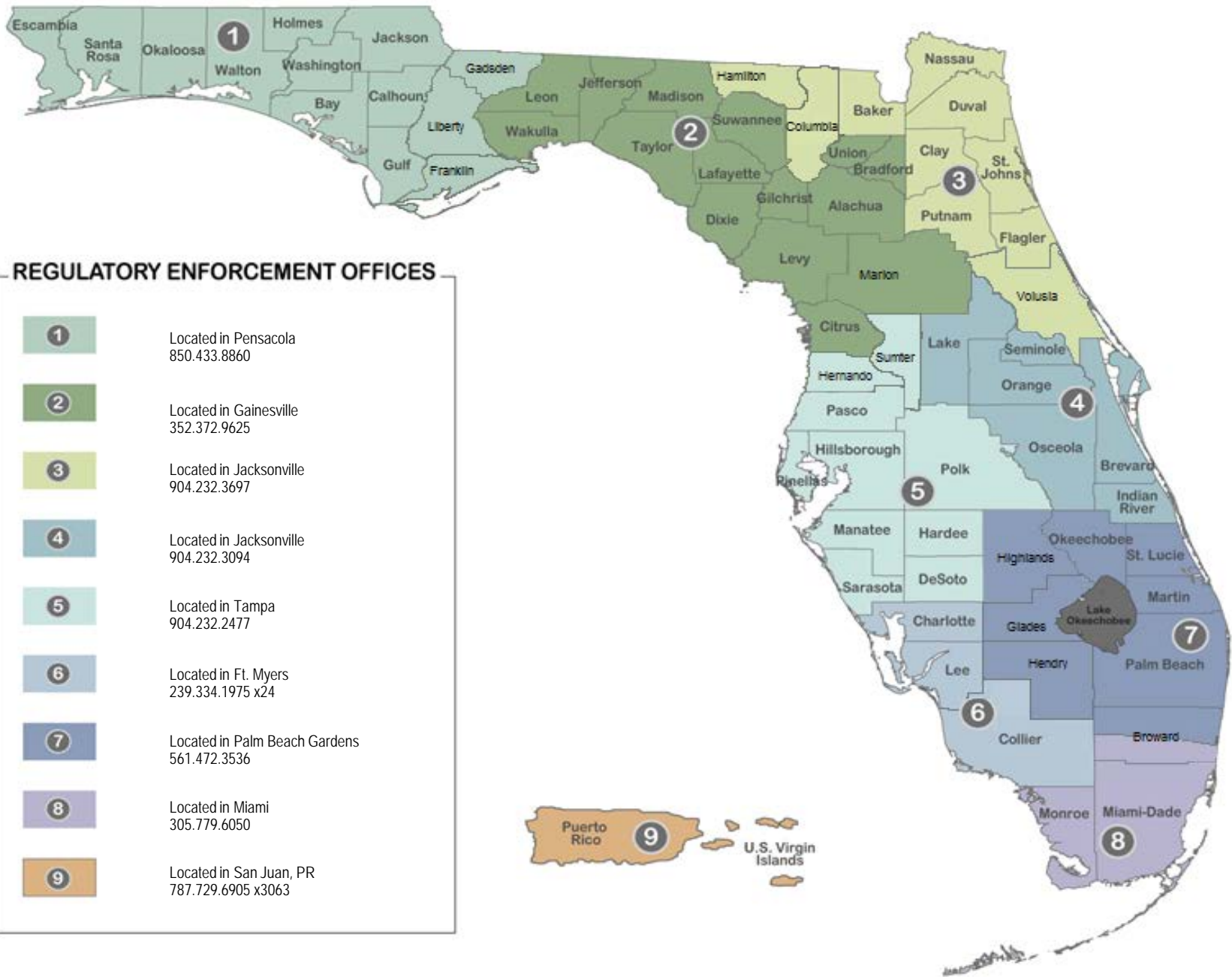
**Palm Beach Gardens Permits Section** (561) 472-3504  
 4400 PGA Boulevard, Suite 500  
 Palm Beach Gardens, Florida 33410



**Miami Permits Section** (305) 526-7181  
 9900 SW 107th Ave., Suite 203  
 Miami, FL 33176-2785



**Antilles Permits Section** (787) 729-6905/6944  
 Stop 7½ Antilles Office  
 400 Ave Fernandez Juncos, San Juan, PR 00901-3223

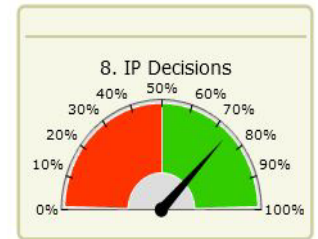
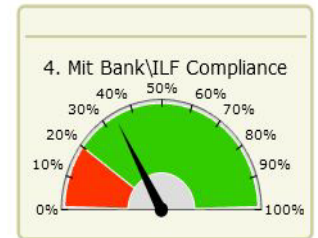
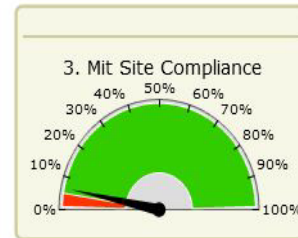
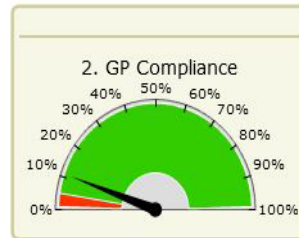
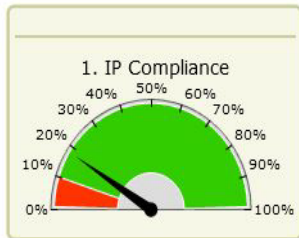


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 Located in Pensacola  
850.433.8860
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 Located in Gainesville  
352.372.9625
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 Located in Jacksonville  
904.232.3697
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 Located in Jacksonville  
904.232.3094
- 5
 Located in Tampa  
904.232.2477
- 6
 Located in Ft. Myers  
239.334.1975 x24
- 7
 Located in Palm Beach Gardens  
561.472.3536
- 8
 Located in Miami  
305.779.6050
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 Located in San Juan, PR  
787.729.6905 x3063

# District's Regulatory Performance

“Green” = met or exceeded all national performance standards



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# District's Regulatory Performance

10,263 “actions” delivered to the public in Fiscal Year 2013:

- 2,623 General Permits (Regional & Nationwide issued by USACE)
- 910 Individual Permits (Standard & Letters of Permission)
- 492 Withdrawals and denials (with & without prejudice)
- 1,953 Non-compliance and unauthorized cases
- 4,285 Jurisdictional determinations and modifications



# Jacksonville District Workforce Restructuring

- Civil Works budget reduced
- Reduced staffing levels
- Restructure the workforce to meet the challenges of reduced funding
- Establish an “Objective Organization” to maintain core competencies for future mission requirements





# Permit Decision Challenges

- Insufficient information from the applicant
- Complexity of decision making
- Documentation required
- Delays with other agencies
  - Endangered Species (no timelines for completion)
  - Essential Fish Habitat
- Other parties attempting to use USACE outside of our authority
- Influence from outside interest(s)



# Key Points

- Protect important aquatic resources
- Majority of permits issued with revised footprint
- Mitigation does not make an unpermissible project permissible
- USACE fully mitigates unavoidable impacts
- No net loss of aquatic functions and services
- Large number of projects involve threatened and endangered species, historic properties and essential fish habitat issues, which add to the complexity of project evaluation

