

Despite coal shortages energy picture brighter

FRANKFORT — Despite recent blizzards and weather conditions, Kentucky's overall energy picture is brighter than at this time last year, according to the state's energy commission. The commission said that winter weather has not had as much effect on coal supplies as it has in the past.

The energy situation is not now at a crisis stage as it threatened to become last year, but everyone should continue to conserve, Mr. Harrison cautioned. Mr. Harrison said his office, along with the state Public Service Commission, has been carefully monitoring utility stocks. He said Kentucky's coal supplies appear to be more abundant than those in some neighboring states such as Indiana and West Virginia.

Corps endorses Engineer Week

The theme of 1970's annual National Engineers' Week, "Strength in the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers," according to Colonel Thomas P. Nack, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers District Engineer, is "Engineering for the Nation."

Colonel Nack said the week of Feb. 19 through Feb. 25 has been set aside by the National Society of Professional Engineers and the Corps as "very critical" as a part of the celebration and the profession.

He added that strength in crisis has been part of the Corps of Engineers during more than 200 years of service to the nation. Beginning with the design and building of the fortifications for the Battle of Bunker Hill to a massive dam project in the state of Indiana just recently completed, he said, the Corps and the engineering profession have been ready to apply technology to easing the burdens of either natural or man-made crises.

Colonel Nack noted that the Louisville District of the Corps has been able to respond immediately in a number of crises in recent years. "Certainly many people in this region are well aware of the emergency work done after severe floods, from the Great Flood of 1937 to the flash flooding in Eastern Kentucky last April," he noted that Corps efforts included debris removal, reopening roads, evacuation of victims, placing mobile homes for those whose homes had been destroyed or severely damaged and occasionally other jobs that "just needed doing."

The Louisville District also provided people with expertise in various areas. In 1967, for example, it assisted Mrs. Johnstown, Pennsylvania, and Asheville, North Carolina, flood this past year. After scores of tornadoes swept this part of the nation in 1967, the Louisville District did damage surveys in Kentucky and major debris removal and clean-up in Ohio. "Our people pointed out that 'our people were on the scene within hours of disaster declarations. We contracted with many firms to raise damaged buildings, clear roads, inspect damage and generally help with the effort everyone was making to 'dig out.'"

In 1970, when a barge loaded with 60 tons of chlorine became impaled on a pier of the McAlpine Dam at Louisville, the Corps worked with the District Engineer and many other agencies to get the highly toxic chemical removed and then the barge taken out of the river. It was a time of flooding of the Ohio which made the entire operation extremely treacherous, the District Engineer said.

In recent weeks the Louisville District had almost 200 engineers and procurement specialists arrange for contractors to clear more than 40,000 miles of roads after Indiana's worst blizzard in history. This was completed within 12 days of receipt of the mission.

Two straight severe winters have also tested the mettle of the District's river operations experts. The 1977 winter from the river's surface solid for much of its length, demanding some new solutions to operations of the navigation dams and locks. Soon-to-be-replaced outdated structures were called upon to perform under weather conditions that were being tried even when they were new. "But our people kept working most of the time despite accidents and ice damage," Colonel Nack said.

Just recently a huge ice gorge broke and swept a number of barges and towboats into the Markland Dam near Warsaw, Kentucky. Later, after a week of working to clear ice that ran from 10 to 40 feet thick from the locks, a lock chamber for almost six days. Using engineering know-how and an assist from temperatures that finally got above freezing, this problem too was solved, he added.

"We can point with pride to the strength shown by people and engineering technology in disasters and emergencies," he added. The district Engineer pointed out that human dedication coupled with the professional integrity and experience enabled the Corps and many others to clean up and stabilize the situation after either nature had run wild or human error had created a serious situation.

Colonel Nack added that Army Engineers in wartime have also exhibited that same "strength in crisis" building roads and airfields while under fire.

"This nation owes a great deal to the engineering profession," he concluded, "and we of the Corps of Engineers are proud to celebrate the week of Feb. 19 to 25 as National Engineers' Week."

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