

1964 Christmas Flood Commemoration and Risk Awareness Campaign

The Christmas flood of 1964 was a major event that took place in the Pacific Northwest and Northern California between December 18, 1964 and January 7, 1965. It was one of the worst floods in recorded history to affect the Willamette River and its tributaries, but the storm impacted the entire state. Twenty people died as a result of the disaster, and it caused hundreds of millions of dollars in damage.

The Portland District of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, along with other federal and state agencies, have created a webpage dedicated to this historic event. Starting December 10th, you can see photos and read stories about the huge flood and learn about dams and other actions that today help reduce flooding in Oregon. You can also learn about your role in flood preparedness and actions you can take to stay safe. **Click on:**

www.nwp.usace.army.mil/Missions/Water/FloodReady.aspx