

changed the name of the Department, setting it up as a Resources
will, and Corps of Engineers law, and of water priorities, of costing
practices, of engineering and planning practices, that come out of
both statute and tradition. Most of these differences could only be
eliminated through statutory changes which we would favor, but
which would be very difficult, as you can appreciate, to work out.
Senator Moss. It really comes along, though, all the time, does it
not?

The Corps of Engineers was first given the job of pulling snags
out of the Ohio and the Mississippi Rivers and that was generally
its functions. Now, it has evolved and grown to where it not only has
navigation and flood control but now water supply, recreation as we
were talking about. It is in the full scale water resource area now.

Now, the Bureau of Reclamation started out just to get some water
on the arid lands out West where they need some irrigation water,
and it, too, is in water supply to municipalities and recreation func-
tions, and all these other things. And so the evolution has been that
these two particularly—we happen to be talking about water right
now, and we could put in soil conservation and some others—have
grown up into this whole general field to where they are doing the
same sort of thing just on a little different patch of ground. Is that
a problem. The habits as well as the statutes of the past are not
easily resolved.

As we have tried to recognize, certainly in terms of clarifying lines
of authority, single departmental leadership would be helpful, but
there would remain a whole panorama of problems arising from

Mr. HUGHES. That is a tough question, Senator. Let me say this: I
think that a name change should best be saved to accompany some
change in the character of the organization itself. The name, "De-
partment of the Interior," with all the problems that name has—and
the Secretary vividly described at least one type of problem—has been