

*Lake Odessa Habitat Rehabilitation and Enhancement Project
Pools 17 and 18, Mississippi River Miles 434.5 through 441.5
Louisa County, Iowa*

RECOMMENDATIONS

I have weighed the outputs to be obtained from the full implementation of this habitat rehabilitation and enhancement project against its estimated cost and have considered the various alternatives proposed, impacts identified, and overall scope. In my judgment, this project, as proposed, justifies expenditure of Federal funds. I recommend that the Secretary of the Army for Civil Works approve the proposed project to include enhancing water level management capability at moist soil units; dredging channels and deep holes for fisheries enhancement; planting mast trees; restoring the perimeter levee; planting a sand prairie; and constructing a fish nursery.

The current estimated Federal construction cost of this project is \$11,361,499. Total Federal estimated project cost, including general design and construction management, is \$14,818,648.

At this time, I further recommend that funds in the amount of \$598,000 be allocated for the preparation of plans and specifications.

5/15/05
(Date)


for Duane P. Gapinski
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