

Project Factsheet for: Illinois River Basin Restoration

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Project Location Information

Location: Entire Illinois River Basin including tributaries.
River Basin(s): Illinois
State(s): IL , WI
Congressional District(s): IL-11 , IL-13 , IL-14 , IL-15 , IL-17 , IL-18 , IL-19 , IL-2 , IL-3

Status

The Comprehensive Plan was approved by HQUSACE in May 2007. In 2008 the Comprehensive Plan was approved by the ASA for Civil Works and OMB. The Comprehensive Plan and cover letters were sent to Congress. Planning is proceeding on six Critical Restoration Projects. Plans & Specifications were initiated in September 2003 for Pekin Lake (Northern Unit), in July 2004 for Waubonsie Creek, and in January 2005 for Pekin Lake (Southern Unit). In September 2004, approval was given to construct the Upper Island (55 acres of dredging with 21-acre island) of the Peoria Riverfront Development Project as a Critical Restoration Project under the Illinois River Basin Restoration Authority (Sec 519, WRDA 2000), PCA signed April 2006. Construction for stage 1 (of 2) of the peoria island project was initiated in 2008 with the \$2.1m received in CG funding. All other CG funded plans & specification and construction activities are on hold pending funding.

Description

Section 519 of WRDA 2000 authorized: (1) Comprehensive Plan to develop and implement a restoration program, long-term resource monitoring program, and evaluate new technologies and innovative approaches, and (2) construction of critical restoration projects. Section 519 and the related Illinois River Ecosystem Restoration Feasibility Study, Sec 216, resulted in a joint Comprehensive Plan for the restoration of the basin. These efforts relate to the State's Illinois Rivers 2020 initiative, a proposed 20-year, Federal-state effort to restore and enhance the 30,000 square-mile Illinois River Basin. Anticipated benefits include reducing sediment delivered to the Illinois River mainstem and backwaters, reducing streambank erosion, and improving critical habitats for fish, waterfowl, and other aquatic organisms. This project involves four districts (Rock Island, St. Louis, Chicago, and Detroit).

Summarized Financial Data

Estimated Federal Cost (General Investigations)	\$7,623,000
Estimated Federal Cost (Construction General)	\$100,000,000
Estimated Non-Federal Cost (General Investigations)	\$3,857,000
Estimated Non-Federal Cost (Construction General)	\$53,846,000
Estimated Total Cost (General Investigations)	\$11,480,000
Estimated Total Cost (Construction General)	\$153,846,000
Allocations thru FY 2007 (General Investigations)	\$4,512,000
Allocations thru FY 2007 (Construction General)	\$606,000
Allocations for FY 2008 (General Investigations)	\$725,000
Allocations for FY 2008 (Construction General)	\$2,100,000
Budget Request for FY 2009 (General Investigations)	\$400,000
Budget Request for FY 2009 (Construction General)	\$0
Balance to Complete after FY 2009 (General Investigations)	\$2,366,000

Balance to Complete after FY 2008 (Construction General)

\$99,394,000

Major Work Item (This Fiscal Year)

FY 2009: Proceeding with Feasibility Studies on 6 critical restoration projects and will complete feasibility phase for two of these project areas. Proceeding with award of contract and initiation of construction for Stage 1 of Peoria Upper Island project in Spring 2009.

Major Work Item (Next Fiscal Year)

FY 2010: Full capability (GI) funding would allow continuation of Critical Restoration Project planning at 10 project locations with completion of planning at 2 of these sites.

Full capability (CG funding) would allow completion of P&S for stage 2 of Peoria Upper Island, Pekin Lake - Southern Unit, and Waubonsie Creek Critical Restoration Projects. This CG funding would also allow us to proceed with construction of Peoria Upper Island (Stage 2), Pekin Lake Northern unit, and Pekin Lake Southern unit.

Authority

GI - General Investigations -- Section 519 of WRDA 2000

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