

Project Factsheet for: Repairs to Levee Systems/Flood Control Projects - Policy

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Project Location Information

Location: Throughout the Rock Island District
River Basin(s): Des Moines, Illinois, Iowa / Cedar, Mississippi, Rock
State(s): IA, IL, MN, MO, WI
Congressional District(s): IA-1, IA-2, IA-3, IA-4, IA-5, IL-11, IL-13, IL-14, IL-15, IL-16, IL-17, IL-18, IL-19, IL-2, IL-3, MN-1, MN-7, MO-6, MO-9, WI-1, WI-2, WI-3, WI-5, WI-6

Status

Description

Corps of Engineers policy regarding repairs to levee systems and flood control projects damaged by floods is as follows:

- a. Federally constructed locally maintained flood control systems active in the Public Law 84-99 program will be rehabilitated to pre disaster condition by the Corps of Engineers at 100 percent federal cost. Requires letter of request from sponsor and funding by Congress.
- b. Non-federally constructed/locally maintained systems active in the Public Law 84-99 program will be repaired by the Corps of Engineers to pre disaster condition at 80 percent federal/20 percent local cost share. Requires letter of request from sponsor and funding by Congress.
- c. Federally constructed or enhanced/locally maintained systems AND non-federally constructed or enhanced/locally maintained systems not active in the Public Law 84-99 program are not eligible for repairs by the Corps of Engineers.
- d. Active status in the Rehabilitation and Inspection program is determined by Continuing Eligibility Inspection ratings.

NOTE: Repairs can only be made to pre-disaster conditions. Public Law 84-99 funds are not authorized for improvements or enhancements.

PL 84-99 Program (Public Law 84-99; Flood and Coastal Storm Emergencies):

- a. Repair Authorization. Levee systems and/or flood control projects are authorized for repairs if damaged by a flood event when the levee system is active in the Corps' PL 84-99 program. To be included in the PL 84-99 program, a levee system or flood control project must be routinely inspected by the Corps of Engineers and found to meet Corps of Engineers construction standards and to be maintained in a fashion that does not deter from its structural integrity.
- b. Structural Integrity. The following conditions will lessen the integrity of a levee system and/or flood control project and may result in a Corps of Engineers determination that the levee system/flood control project does not meet Corps of Engineers standards:
 - 1) Burrow holes (animal or man-made)
 - 2) Mass tree growth (roots degrade structure/tree weight causes undue stress)
 - 3) Erosion
 - 4) Any other condition determined to be a detriment to the structure

The levee maintaining authority (sponsor) will be notified of any failure to meet Corps standards. They will be allowed ample time to correct deficiencies. If deficiencies are not corrected, the levee system/flood control project will be removed from the PL 84-99 program and become ineligible for federally assisted repairs if damages are incurred due to a flood event.

Authority

SI - Special Interest -- Public Law 84-99

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