

# Project Factsheet for: LaSalle I&M Canal

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## Project Location Information

**Location:** LaSalle, Illinois  
**River Basin(s):** Illinois  
**State(s):** IL  
**Congressional District(s):** IL-11

### Status

Study was physically completed in FY06. Closeout underway.

### Description

The City of LaSalle, Illinois and the I&M Canal Association want to make approximately a two and half mile stretch of the I&M Canal above lock 14 navigable again. They are looking to create a tourist attraction by operating a working replica of an 1800's canal boat on the canal. Construction of a replica canal boat is underway.

The I&M Canal is currently operated by the Illinois DNR as a recreational area. Recreation on the canal and adjacent banklines includes fishing, canoeing and biking. A bike path is located on the east bank of the canal which is a levee. The last mile of the approximate two and a half mile project would need the most dredging. In this area approximately four feet of sediment has been deposited. Currently the DNR operates two pumps on the Illinois River to move water into the canal. The pumps have experienced many mechanical problems in the past.

### Summarized Financial Data

Federal Cost	\$50,438
Non-Federal Cost	\$50,438
Total Cost	\$100,876
Federal Allocations through FY 2006	\$50,438
Scheduled Federal Allocation for FY 2007	\$0
Balance to Complete	\$0

### Major Work Item (This Fiscal Year)

**FY 2007:** Continue to provide limited assistance to the City in its ongoing efforts to acquire necessary permitting.

### Major Work Item (Next Fiscal Year)

None.

### Authority

CA - Continuing Authorities - Section 22 --

### Additional Information

The Section 22 program effectively allows non-Federal interests to leverage their resources and efficiently engage Corps expertise in meeting their water resources planning needs.

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