Project Factsheet for: Saylorville Lake and Dam-FLOOD Supplemental O&M

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Project Location Information

Location: Saylorville Lake, Iowa River Basin(s): Des Moines

State(s): IA

Congressional District(s): IA-3, IA-4

Status

Saylorville Lake and Dam is operating with reduced capabilities and closures of some areas due to flood damage. Flood Control Facilities are partially functional. Limited funding for flood damage recovery has been received. Damage Assessments for Flood Control, Environmental Stewardship and Recreation and are just starting as on the week of August 25, 2008.

Description

Saylorville Lake is a multiple purpose project providing primary benefits in flood control and low-flow augmentation and secondary benefits in recreation, fish and wildlife management, forest management, and water quality improvement. Conservation pool is 5,950 acres; with a storage volume of 586,000 acre-feet at flood pool level. The dam is located about 11 miles northwest of Des Moines, lowa, on the Des Moines River. Cumulative damages prevented since project's inception (1975) = \$178,400,000. The project includes 25,515 acres of fee title lands and there are 13 recreation area sites. FY07 recreation fee receipts and lease revenues were \$560,400. Regional impact of project visitation is \$20,900,000.

Saylorville Lake and Dam experienced major flooding during Spring and Summer 2008. The flooding caused extensive damage to facilities, buildings, and grounds throughout the project.

Major Work Item (This Fiscal Year)

Damage Assessments completed

Re-evaluate/develop P&S barrier dam pump station Repair Big Creek Terminal Dam and Spillway Repair NW 78th Avenue and Spillway Gorge Repair Marina Boat Ramp Repair Main Dam Repair Recreation Areas

Major Work Item (Next Fiscal Year)

Repair Barrier Dam Pump Station Repair Big Creek Slide Gate Repair Control Tower Repair Dam Monitoring System and relief wells

Authority

OM - Operations and Maintenance -- Flood Control Act of 1958

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