

# Project Factsheet for: Illinois & Mississippi Canal (Hennepin) Embankment Rehabilitation

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## Project Location Information

**Location:** NONE PROVIDED  
**River Basin(s):** Illinois, Mississippi  
**State(s):** IL  
**Congressional District(s):** IL-17

### Status

No funds available to complete.

### Description

The I&M Canal, which links the Illinois and Mississippi Rivers across their natural divide, was completed in 1907 and was operated by the Corps of Engineers (Corps) until 1951, at which time it was closed to navigation due to lack of use. In 1970, it was turned over to the State of Illinois. Since then, the State of Illinois has operated it as the Hennepin Canal State Trail. Most of the original canal right-of-way is a registered natural Historical District. Congress authorized a total of \$17,000,000 rehabilitation work on the 95.7-mile canal system in a series of four Acts (Public Law [PL] 85-500; 87-874; 91-911; and 99-662). The remaining rehabilitation is necessary for the Corps to comply with congressional language, in previous authorizations, which directs the Corps to rehabilitate the canal with authorized funds in order for the canal to be used as a recreation facility. The remaining improvements consist of rehabilitating approximately 10 miles of canal embankment; shaping and grading the embankment, placing riprap, and reseeding. The improvements will be constructed in two stages. The planning for improvements is being coordinated with the State of Illinois, Department of Natural Resources' plans for a recreation trail along the Canal. The following is a description of each stage of improvement:

Stage II consisted of embankment rehabilitation of the South embankment from Bridge 20 to Bridge 22 of the main canal, and the East embankment from Bridge 62 to Bridge 63 of the feeder canal. Complete

Stage III (Design Complete awaiting Construction Funding) will consist of embankment rehabilitation of the South embankment of the main canal from Bridge 17A to Bridge 18; Bridge 17 to Bridge 18; Bridge 16 to Bridge 17; and rehabilitation of Culvert 29.

This work is essentially complete. Project needs to be deauthorized.

### Summarized Financial Data

Scheduled Federal Allocation for FY 2009	\$0
Total Authorized Funds	\$17,000,000

### Major Work Item (This Fiscal Year)

No funding available to complete.

### Major Work Item (Next Fiscal Year)

No funding available to complete.

### Authority

SI - Special Interest -- Congress authorized rehabilitation work on the 95.7-mile canal system in a series of four acts ( PL 85-500; 87-874; 91-611; and 99-662).

### Additional Information

Fiscal Year	Funds Authorized (\$)	Funds Remaining (\$)
1958	2,000,000	2,000,000
1962	800,000	2,529,645

1970	5,728,000	6,571,572
1986	8,472,000	8,864,367
1998	0	1,953,096
1999	0	1,913,587
2000	0	838,587
2001	0	629,122
2002	0	629,122
2003	0	629,122
2004	0	629,122
2005	0	629,122
2006	0	629,122
2007	0	629,122
2008	0	629,122

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