



McClellan-Kerr Arkansas River Navigation System, 12-Foot Channel

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FACT SHEET as of 20 April 2012

AUTHORIZATION: Section 136,
E&WDAA FY 2004 (PL108-137)

TYPE OF PROJECT: Navigation

PROJECT PHASE: Construction



CONGRESSIONAL INTEREST:

Senators Pryor (AR), Boozman (AR), and Inhofe (OK); Representatives **Crawford (AR-01)**, **Griffin (AR-02)**, **Womack (AR-03)**, **Ross (AR-04)**, **Sullivan (OK-01)**, and **Boren (OK-02)**

NON-FEDERAL SPONSOR: N/A

BACKGROUND: The 445-mile long McClellan-Kerr Arkansas River Navigation System (MKARNS) consists of 18 locks and dams, and provides 9-foot depth inland navigation from the Mississippi River to Catoosa, Oklahoma. This project would deepen the navigation channel to a minimum depth of 12 feet throughout the MKARNS. This increase in depth would result in a shipper savings of \$43,100,000 million annually, compared to the next least costly mode of transportation, making the system more competitive with similar waterway systems and other modes of transportation. Additionally, increased tonnage on the system would decrease the commodities transported by rail and truck, thus decreasing pollutants and damage to the country's infrastructure.

STATUS: Operation and Maintenance (O&M) funds appropriated in FY 2005 have been expended. The project is considered a "new start" and Construction funds must be appropriated prior to initiating any new work. In addition, the MKARNS is an inland waterway, subject to the collection of fuel taxes for the Inland Waterway Trust Fund (IWTF); therefore, construction activities must be cost shared (50/50) with the trust fund for construction of the 12-ft channel. No additional work will be done on this project until it is funded with Construction funds and cost shared from the IWTF. The total project cost estimate is approximately \$183,000,000; however, the work can be accomplished in \$10,000,000 increments.

ISSUES: None.

FINANCIAL SUMMARY (\$):

Federal Cost Estimate
Non-Federal Cost Estimate (IWTF)
Total Project Cost

CONSTRUCTION

\$ 91,673,000
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\$183,346,000

Allocation thru FY 2010 0
ARRA Funding 0
Allocation for FY 2011 0
Allocation for FY 2012 0
President Budget FY 2013 0
Amount That Could Be Used in FY 2013 \$ 20,000,000
Balance to Complete \$ 91,673,000

SCHEDULE:

FY 2012 Scheduled Work: Project is not included in the President’s FY 2012 budget.

FY 2013 Budget: Project is not included in the President’s FY 2013 budget. Funds in the amount of \$20,000,000 could be used to raise and extend dikes and notch revetments; design and construct pits; dredging; and design and construct disposal areas.

COMPLETION: With optimum funding, the project completion date is 2018.

For more information regarding the McClellan-Kerr Arkansas River Navigational System, 12-Foot Channel project, contact: Mr. Glenn R. Proffitt, P.E., Project Manager, Programs and Project Management Division, at (501) 340-1068 or Glenn.R.Proffitt@usace.army.mil.

