



Channel to Port Mansfield, TX

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TYPE OF PROJECT: Navigation

PROJECT PHASE: O&M



CONGRESSIONAL INTEREST: Senators Hutchison and Cornyn (TX), and Representative Farenthold (TX-27)

NON-FEDERAL SPONSOR: Port of Port Mansfield; Willacy County Navigation District

BACKGROUND: The project is located in the vicinity of Port Mansfield in Willacy County, Texas. The Channel to Port Mansfield is a 10.3 mile shallow draft channel from the Gulf of Mexico across the lower Laguna Madre to Port Mansfield. It includes a jettied entrance channel of approximately 0.7 mile long from the barrier island into the Gulf of Mexico.

The channel crosses the main channel of the Gulf Intracoastal Waterway at Mile 630. In addition to local economic concerns, the United States Coast Guard and Texas Parks and Wildlife agency are negatively affected by the channel conditions, as the state of the channel hinders Homeland Security and law enforcement.

STATUS: The project is not in the President's FY 2012 budget.

ISSUES: The inability to maintain project dimensions is causing economic hardship on the South Texas Region and prevents the accomplishment of the assigned navigation mission. Lack of funding has prevented maintenance dredging of the Main Channel to Placement Area 220 since 1999.

<u>FINANCIAL SUMMARY (\$):</u>	<u>O&M</u>
Federal Cost Estimate	N/A
Non-Federal Cost Estimate	N/A
Total Project Cost	N/A
Allocation for FY 2010	\$ 0
ARRA Funding	0
Allocation for FY 2011	5,104,000 <u>1/</u>
Allocation for FY 2012	0
President Budget FY 2013	0
Amount That Could Be Used for FY 2013	5,728,000
Balance to Complete	N/A

1/ Includes \$4,904,000 in Supplemental funding

SCHEDULE:

FY 2012 Scheduled Work: Not in the President's FY 2012 budget.

FY 2013 Budget: Not in the President's FY 2013 budget. If additional funding were available it could allow for the dredging of the Entrance Channel to advanced maintenance (\$4,869,000) and placement area coordination for DAMP activities on PA 8 (\$859,000).

COMPLETION: With optimum funding, the project/study completion date is N/A.

For more information regarding the Channel to Port Mansfield, TX project, contact Mr. Pete Perez, P.E., Deputy District Engineer, Chief, Programs and Project Management Division at (409) 766-3018 or Pete.G.Perez@usace.army.mil.



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