



# Little Black Watershed, MO

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**FACT SHEET as of 06 February 2012**

**AUTHORIZATION:** Section 205, Flood Control Act of 1948, as amended

**TYPE OF PROJECT:** Continuing Authorities Program (CAP)

**PROJECT PHASE:** Feasibility

**CONGRESSIONAL INTEREST:** Senators Blunt (AR) and McCaskill (MO); Representative Emerson (AR-08)

**NON-FEDERAL SPONSOR:** To be determined with funding.

**BACKGROUND:** The Little Black River, over a period of years, changed its course because of floods and created a connection to an existing drainage ditch. This ditch, which is called the "Little Black Ditch," discharges into Ditch #2 and then back into the Little Black River about seven miles downstream. The Little Black River currently discharges a significant flow, perhaps a majority of flow, through the connection to the Little Black Ditch. The effect to the river is that flow levels through the main river channel have reduced so boat access in this seven-mile stretch is no longer possible. The drainage ditch does not have the capacity of the river, which results in flooding of agricultural land and public roads at levels below historic levels. This Section 205 request is to address the significant flooding issues throughout the entire watershed, but also includes the area known as Little Black Ditch.

**STATUS:** The project was not funded in FY 2012.

**ISSUES:** The project is not included in the President's FY 2013 budget. If funds are not received to initiate the feasibility phase, the project will be delayed further and the flooding of agricultural land and public roads at levels below historic levels will continue.

<b><u>FINANCIAL SUMMARY (\$):</u></b>	<b><u>FEASIBILITY</u></b>
Federal Cost Estimate	\$100,000
Non-Federal Cost Estimate	0
Total Project Cost	\$100,000
Allocation thru FY 2010	0
ARRA Funding	0
Allocation for FY 2011	0
Allocation for FY 2012	0
President Budget FY 2013	0
Capability for FY 2013	\$100,000
Balance to Complete	\$100,000

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**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 \$100,000 could be used to initiate and complete the Feasibility phase.

**COMPLETION:** With optimum funding, the study completion date is 2013.

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