

Sulphur Creek, Heber Springs, AR

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FACT SHEET as of 06 February 2012

AUTHORIZATION: Section 1135(b) of the WRDA 1986, as amended Public Law 99-662

TYPE OF PROJECT: Continuing Authorities Program (CAP)

PROJECT PHASE: Feasibility

CONGRESSIONAL INTEREST: Senators Pryor (AR) and Boozman (AR); Representative

Crawford (AR-01)

NON-FEDERAL SPONSOR: City of Heber Springs, AR

BACKGROUND: The project is located in Heber Springs, Arkansas. The city of Heber Springs has requested a Section 1135 ecosystem restoration study for the reclamation of Sulphur Creek beginning at the dike on Greers Ferry Lake to its end point at the Little Red River. The City would like to re-establish constant flow of Sulphur Creek and feels the dike project has caused reduced flows on the creek. The dike on Greers Ferry Lake reduced the beneficial flooding of Sulphur Creek and contributed to the area's degradation. The study will determine if there is a federal and local interest in the environmental restoration of the stream. The January 2007 revision in Corps guidance directs 100% Federal financing of the study phase with cost sharing of the study phase to be as a project cost when the project cooperation agreement is signed.

STATUS: The project was not funded in FY 2012. Funding is required to initiate the project.

ISSUES: The project is not included in the President's FY 2013 budget. Lack of funding has delayed initiating this ecosystem restoration study for the reclamation of Sulphur Creek.

FINANCIAL SUMMARY (\$):	FEASIBILITY
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

SCHEDULE:

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

<u>FY 2013 Budget</u>: 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 completion date for the feasibility phase is 2014.

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