

Arkansas River Environmental Restoration

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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

Griffin (AR-02)

NON-FEDERAL SPONSOR: The Arkansas Game and Fish Commission

BACKGROUND: The Arkansas Game and Fish Commission requested the Army Corps of Engineers investigate a large habitat restoration project. The project looks at changing the way two areas near the town of Gray Rock, Arkansas are managed. The project will restore a total of 2,561 acres of land near the Arkansas River along Six Mile Creek using a combination of tree planting, weir construction, and green tree reservoirs. It will create a water management plan to improve the fish and wildlife habitat in an area that historically has long periods of flooding.

STATUS: Remaining project funds in the amount of \$81,196 were revoked in FY11. The project is not funded in FY 2012.

<u>ISSUES</u>: The project is not included in the President's FY 2013 budget. Lack of funding to proceed with the project delays providing much needed ecosystem restoration measures in the study area.

FINANCIAL SUMMARY (\$):	FEASIBILITY
Federal Cost Estimate	\$200,000
Non-Federal Cost Estimate	\$100,000
Total Project Cost	\$300,000
Allocation thru FY 2010	\$ 10,000
ARRA Funding	0
Allocation for FY 2011	\$ 3,000 <u>1</u> /
Allocation for FY 2012	0
President Budget FY 2013	0
Capability for FY 2013	\$ 87,000
Balance to Complete	\$187,000

1/ Funds in the amount of \$81,196 were revoked to fund the \$100M rescission required in the FY2011 full year CR and to fund high priority projects.

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 \$87,000 could be used to complete the signing of the Feasibility Cost Sharing Agreement (FCSA).

COMPLETION: With optimum funding, the completion date for the feasibility phase is August 2014.

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