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St. Louis District, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
To Conduct Public Workshop and Hearing on  
East St. Louis Ecosystem Restoration and Flood Damage Reduction Project

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers will conduct a workshop and public hearing concerning the East St. Louis and Vicinity Ecosystem Restoration and Flood Damage Reduction Project for Madison and St. Clair Counties, Tuesday, April 7, 2003. Interested public are invited to attend.

The project is designed to restore the wetlands environmental ecosystem and reduce flooding from interior sources. As currently planned, it would cost approximately \$207 million.

The workshop and public hearing will be held at the Gateway Commerce Center, LaSalle Room, at One Gateway Center Drive, in Collinsville, Ill. The workshop will run from 1:00 to 6:00 p.m., and will be followed by the public hearing from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

The workshop and hearing will continue the public process that began in February 1999.

The purpose of the workshop is to exchange information about the District's General Reevaluation Study and Draft Environmental Impact Statement for the project. St. Louis District Corps of Engineers project experts will be on hand to discuss the project with interested individuals, groups or organizations.

The public hearing, which will follow, will include a presentation on the project and an opportunity for public input.

The entire report is available for review at the St. Louis District's web site, <http://www.mvs.usace.army.mil/pm/pmmain.htm> under the study's report title listed above.

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This workshop will both inform interested parties about the project and help them to provide comments, which must be in writing, so they may be included in consideration as the project moves forward.