Kaskaskia River Navigation Project, IL

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AUTHORIZATION:

Section 101 of River and Harbor Act 1962, Section 321 of Water Resources Development Act (WRDA) 1996 (Public Law (PL) 104-303), which added fish and wildlife and habitat restoration as project purposes, Section 311 of WRDA 2000 (PL 106-541), which added recreation as a project purpose.

Location and Description:

The project is located in south-central Illinois and empties into the Mississippi River 118 miles above the Ohio River. The project consists of a 36 mile navigation channel; one 600–foot lock; dam; gated spillway; 2,901 acres fee and O & M easement lands; 5,593 acres of flowage easement. The project supports three barge terminals; two marinas; four major recreation areas with boat ramps; & numerous minor access points. Authorized purposes are navigation, recreation, fish & wildlife, & habitat restoration.