**Location and Description:**

The project is located near Benton, Illinois, in Franklin and Jefferson Counties. The project provides flood control, water supply, recreation, conservation of fish and wildlife, and area redevelopment. The earth fill dam with an ungated main and auxiliary spillway provides the necessary features to create Rend Lake and support the project’s purposes. The earth dam is located on the Big Muddy River at mile 103.7 and two sub-impoundment dams are located on the upper arms of the lake.

**Authorization:**

Flood Control Act of 1962