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# Information Paper Illinois Waterway

# **Operation and Maintenance (O&M)**

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**Location:** The portion of the Illinois Waterway within the boundaries of the St. Louis District extends from the mouth of the Illinois River at Grafton, Illinois to the tailwater of LaGrange Lock and Dam at river mile 80.15.

**Description**: The project consists of 80.15 mile navigation channel, and 16,000 acres of managed lands. Authorized purposes are navigation, recreation, fish and wildlife management, and habitat restoration.

**Authority**: River and Harbor Acts of 1927 and 1930.

VALUE TO NATION					
	FY20	FY21	FY22	FY23	
Ton Miles	671M	6.4B	6.4B	TBD	
Tonnage	35.7.0M	32.9M	32.9M	TBD	
Visitor Spending	\$4.5M	\$7.3M↑	\$8M↑	TBD	
Jobs Supported	31	48	43	TBD	
Total Visits	118k	162k	167k	173k	

PROJECT TRENDS						
	FY21	FY22	FY23	FY24		
Federal Allocation	\$2,107k	\$2,092k	\$2,819k	\$2,445k		
Supplemental	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		
BIL*	\$0	\$550k	\$0	\$0		
DRSSA**	\$0	\$70k	\$500k	\$0		
Non-Appropriated Contributions	\$0	\$0	TBD	TBD		

<sup>\*</sup>Bipartisan Infrastructure Law



Figure 1: Dredge Goetz, Illinois River

### **Activities for FY24**:

- Operate and Maintain Project at minimal level of service.
- FY24 PBUD Specific Work NA
- Ongoing Work Dredging, Forest Management, Boundary Maintenance.

### **Activities after FY24:**

- Operate and Maintain Project at funded levels.
- Environmental Stewardship: Boundary Maintenance (\$60k), Cabin Demolition (\$64k), Wildlife Habitat Management (\$110k).
- Navigation: River Training Structure (\$6.1M), Dredging (\$650k), AIS Update (\$10k), Water Management (\$180k).

Congressional Interest: Senate: Durbin and

Duckworth (IL) House: Miller (IL-15).

<sup>\*\*</sup>Disaster Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act