



**US Army Corps
of Engineers**
St. Louis District

Mississippi River between the Ohio and Missouri Rivers (Regulating Works)

Rivers and Harbors Acts of 1910, 1927, and 1930.

Information Paper

Construction (Navigation)

Location: The project consists of providing a sustainable navigation channel 9 feet deep and not less than 300 feet wide with additional width in bends, from the mouth of the Ohio River to the mouth of the Missouri River, a distance of approximately 195 miles.

Description: Project improvements are achieved by means of dikes, revetment, construction dredging, and rock removal.

Status: High water has prevented execution of the Rock Removal Phase 2 contract. Impacts of not doing this work are reduced reliability of maintaining the navigation channel during low water periods.

Importance: The Mississippi River is an artery of commerce critical to the movement of hundreds of millions of tons of essential goods such as corn, grain, coal, petroleum, chemicals, and many other products important to the national economy.

Risk: Based on public comments concerning the Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (SEIS) future, construction projects have been put on hold while we complete the SEIS mitigation model. The mitigation model is expected to be certified by first quarter FY18.

Consequence: Cargo valued at over \$7 billion, including 300 million bushels of agricultural products and 3.8 million tons of coal could experience shipping delays that cause ripple effects and damage local economies up and down the Mississippi and Ohio Rivers.

Activities for FY 17: Carryover funds are being used to complete the SEIS, continue with the Rock Removal Phase 2 project, and to provide supervision and administration of existing construction contracts including Grand Tower Phase 5 and Dogtooth Bend Phase 6 dike and revetment contracts.



Rock Removal near Thebes, IL

Acquisition Strategy: No contracts to be awarded in FY17.

Activities after FY 17: Award Red Rock Landing Phase 4 construction contract and design and potentially construct associated mitigation requirements.

Project Sponsor/Customer: This project is 100% federally funded. Stakeholders include river navigation industry, State and Federal conservation agencies, and environmental NGOs.

Congressional Interest: Senate: Blunt and McCaskill (MO) and Senators Durbin and Duckworth (IL). House: Bost (IL-12), LaHood, (IL-18), Shimkus (IL-15), Davis (IL-13), Luetkemeyer (MO-3) and Smith (MO-8).

Phase	FY 17 Allocation	FY 18 Budget
Construction	\$0	\$0