

# **Information Paper**

# CAP 1135: Clarence Cannon at Mark Twain Lake, MO Feasibility (CAP Section 1135)

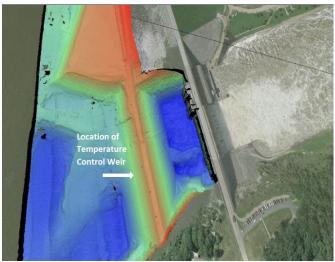


Figure 1: Temperature Control Weir near Clarence Cannon Dam at Mark Twain Lake

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### Location

Mark Twain Lake is located in northeastern Missouri on the Salt River Basin on the Salt River. Clarence Cannon Dam and the Re-Regulation Dam are located in Ralls County at Salt River miles 63.0 and 53.5, respectively, upstream from the confluence with the Mississippi River. Mark Twain Lake is in both Ralls and Monroe Counties, approximately 20 miles southwest of Hannibal and 140 miles north of St. Louis.

# Description

Low dissolved oxygen (DO) concentration in the reregulation pool caused by lake water with low oxygen moving through the turbines has been a long term, significant environmental concern at Clarence Cannon Dam causing regular fish kills downstream of the dam.

# **Status**

The feasibility study was kicked off on 31 October 2024. Final report is currently projected to be signed by November 2026.

#### **Importance**

The Mark Twain Lake Environmental Stewardship Program is chartered through laws and regulations to manage public lands under its jurisdiction in such a manner which "conserves fish and wildlife," "benefits wetlands," and "provides a safe and healthy environment for visitors." The stewardship authorities afforded through the Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act, National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (PL 91-190), Water Resource Development Acts, Forest Cover Act, and numerous engineering regulations offer natural resource managers several methods to accomplish their role.

# **Authority**

Section 1135, Water Resources Development Act of 1986, as amended.

#### **Schedule**

- Initiate Feasibility Study: 31 October 2024
- Final report: November 2026

#### **Activities for FY25**

USACE has received additional 100% federal dollars for FCSA negotiation, Review Plan development, and Project Management Plan development. Feasibility Study has begun as of October 2024.

#### **Activities after FY25**

Complete Feasibility Study.

# **Project Sponsor/Customer**

The Missouri Department of Conservation (MDC).

# **Congressional Interest**

Senate: Schmitt & Hawley House: Graves (MO-6)

#### **Financial**

Federal CAP funding	\$375,000
Non-federal funding	\$275,000
Total Project Cost	\$650,000

Federal Funds Allocated to Date \$375,000