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Information Paper

Illinois Waterway Operation and Maintenance (O&M)



Figure 1: Dredge Goetz, Illinois River

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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.

VALUE TO NATION				
	FY21	FY22	FY23	FY24
Tonnage	32.9M	32.9M	33.3M	TBD
Visitor Spending	\$7.3M	\$8M	\$9.3M	TBD
Jobs Supported	48	43	51	TBD
Total Visits	162k	167k	173k	145k

PROJECT TRENDS				
	FY22	FY23	FY24	FY25
Federal Allocation	\$2,092k	\$2,819k	\$2,445k	\$2,540k
Supplemental	\$620k	\$500k	\$0	\$0
Non Appropriated Contributions	\$0	\$0	TBD	TBD

Description

The project consists of an 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.

Activities for FY25

- Operate and Maintain Project at minimal level of service.
- FY25 Presidents Budget (PBUD) Specific Work – Dredging.
- Ongoing Work – Dredging, Forest Management, and Boundary Maintenance.

Activities after FY25

- Operate and Maintain Project at funded levels.

Above Baseline Specific Work

- Environmental Stewardship: Boundary Maintenance (\$60k), and Cabin Demolition (\$67k).
- Navigation: River Training Structure (\$6.1M), Dredging (\$650k), and Water Management (\$200k).

Congressional Interest

Senate: Durbin and Duckworth (IL)

House: Miller (IL-15)