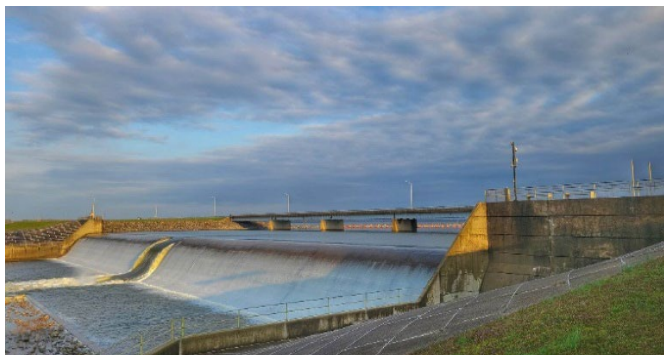




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# Information Paper

## Rend Lake, IL Operation and Maintenance (O&M)



*Figure 1: Rend Lake, IL*

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### Location

The project is located on the Big Muddy River, approximately 103 river miles above its mouth, near Benton, Illinois. Portions of the project are situated in Franklin and Jefferson counties.

| VALUE TO NATION                            |              |              |              |            |
|--|--------------|--------------|--------------|------------|
|  | FY21         | FY22         | FY23         | FY24       |
| Flood Damages Prevented (Cumulative 1993-) | \$617M       | \$619M       | \$621M       | TBD        |
| <b>Visitor Spending</b>                    | <b>\$66M</b> | <b>\$91M</b> | <b>\$69M</b> | <b>TBD</b> |
| Jobs Supported                             | 384          | 625          | 476          | TBD        |
| Total Visits                               | 1,645k       | 1,653k       | 1,839k       | 1,378k     |

| PROJECT TRENDS                 |                  |                 |                 |                 |
|--------------------------------|------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
|                                | FY22             | FY23            | FY24            | FY25            |
| <b>Federal Allocation</b>      | <b>\$11,785k</b> | <b>\$5,351k</b> | <b>\$7,205k</b> | <b>\$8,000k</b> |
| Supplemental                   | \$2,945k         | \$2,229k        | \$5,390k        | \$0             |
| Non-Appropriated Contributions | \$1,072k         | TBD             | TBD             | TBD             |

### Description

Rend Lake consists of over 18,900 acres of water, 21,300 acres of public land, and 162 shoreline miles. This lake provides flood control, downstream water quality, water supply to nearby communities (70 Million Gallons Per Day), recreation (11 major recreation areas managed by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and two major recreation areas managed by others), and fish and wildlife conservation.

### Authority

The Flood Control Acts of 1962.

### Activities for FY25

- Operate and Maintain Project at funded levels.
- FY25 Presidents Budget (PBUD) Specific Work – HVAC Repairs (\$375k), Sewer Infrastructure Improvements (\$950k), Dam Safety Inspections (\$391k).
- Ongoing BIL – Water and Sewer infrastructure Improvements, Site Security Improvements, Shoreline Stabilization.

### Activities after FY25

- Operate and Maintain Project at funded levels.
- Continue Expansion of Volunteer Program.
- Illinois Department of Natural Resources Rend Lake Resort Improvements.

### Above Baseline Specific Work

- Environmental Stewardship: Bottomland Forest Improvements (\$1M), Wetland Habitat Improvements (\$760k), Invasive Species removal (autumn olive, Japanese Silt Grass, Winter Creeper) (\$1M), and Site Security Improvements (\$200k).
- Flood Damage Risk Reduction: Roadway Repair (\$600k), Maintenance Compound Improvements (\$650k), Earthquake Study. (\$100k), and Dam Toe Drain Maintenance (\$250k).
- Recreation: Road Repairs (\$8.8M), Building Americans with Disability Act (ADA) and Efficiency Improvements (\$4.7M), Recreation Improvements (\$3.2M).

### Congressional Interest

Senate: Durbin and Duckworth (IL)  
House: Bost (IL-12)