

FACT SHEET  
CONSTRUCTION, GENERAL  
(CONTINUING AUTHORITY PROGRAM-SECTION 206)

PROJECT NAME AND STATE: Olmos Creek, Restoration, San Antonio, TX

AUTHORIZATION: Section 206, Water Resources Development Act of 1996.

<u>SUMMARIZED FINANCIAL DATA:</u>	<u>Design/Implementation</u>
Estimated Federal Cost	\$ 868,000
Estimated Non-Federal Cost	462,000
Total Estimated Project Cost	1,330,000

Allocation thru FY 2006	161,300
FY 2007 Budget	0
Tentative FY 2007 Work Plan Allocation	0 1/
Budget Request for FY 2008	0
Balance to Complete After FY 2008	706,700
Amount That Could Be Used in FY 2008	706,700

1/ Final amount is subject to change, and will not be known until the Joint Continuing Resolution is passed by both the House and Senate, and final allocations are provided.

LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: Olmos Creek is located near the central portion of Bexar County, Texas, approximately 5 miles north of the city of San Antonio's central business district. The study area is located on lands owned by the city of San Antonio and the city of Alamo Heights within the Olmos Basin Reservoir. The reservoir was created by the construction of Olmos Dam which had the sole purpose of flood control, protecting San Antonio, located just downstream. The reservoir basin has begun to attract a variety of recreational facilities including a city park, skeet range, golf course, baseball fields and other recreational amenities. This has altered a substantial acreage of aquatic, grassland and bottomland forest habitat located within the study area.

PROPOSED ACTIVITIES FOR FY 2007: We do not anticipate any funds allocation for this project in FY 2007.

APPLICATION OF THE AMOUNT THAT COULD BE USED IN FY 2008: A directive in the FY 2006 Energy and Water Appropriation Bill placed a moratorium on execution of any cost share agreements, thereby prohibiting execution of the Project Cooperation Agreement (PCA) which is required before initiation of project design and construction. The only exception to this moratorium

is if Federal funds are available to fully fund the completion of construction. If appropriations in the amount of \$706,700 are received in FY 2008, the PCA will be executed and project design will be completed.

ISSUES AND OTHER INFORMATION: The recommended alternative consists of the restoration of approximately 73 acres of bottomland hardwood habitat, 17 acres of native prairie, and six acres of in-stream aquatic habitat. The total project cost would be shared between the Federal government and the city of San Antonio, as the non-Federal sponsor. Per an agreement with the USACE, the city of San Antonio would agree to waive credit or reimbursement for the total of \$97,085 in LERRDs above the 35 percent non-Federal cost share requirement for ecosystem restoration.

ADMINISTRATION POSITION: The Administration supports this project.

CONGRESSIONAL INTEREST: Congressmen Gonzalez, TX-20 and Smith, TX-21.