

## CONSTRUCTION, GENERAL

PROJECT NAME AND STATE: San Antonio Channel Improvement, Texas

AUTHORIZATION: Flood Control Act of 1954 and the Water Resources Development Acts of 1976 (Sec 103), 1996 (Sec 224) and 2000 (Sec 335)

<u>SUMMARIZED FINANCIAL DATA:</u>	<u>Construction</u>
Estimated Federal Cost	\$224,900,000
Estimated Non-Federal Cost:	106,100,000
Total Estimated Project Cost	\$331,000,000

Allocation thru FY 2006	163,017,000
FY 2007 Budget	0
Tentative FY 2007 Work Plan Allocation	4,000,000 1/
Budget Request for FY 2008	0
Balance to Complete After FY 2008	57,883,000
Amount that Could be Used in FY 2008	17,550,000

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: The San Antonio Channel Improvement Project is located within the city of San Antonio, Texas.

PROPOSED ACTIVITIES FOR FY 2007: Funds requested as part of the FY 2007 Tentative Work Plan Allocation are being used to continue the General Reevaluation Report for Woodlawn and to award a vegetation contract, complete design and plans and specifications for Phase I, and continue design of Phase II for the Mission Reach.

APPLICATION OF THE AMOUNT THAT COULD BE USED IN FY 2008: FY 2008 funds in the amount of \$17,550,000 could be used to complete cultural mitigation/Hazardous, Toxic and Radiological Waste testing and plans and specifications for Phase II (\$2,350,000); complete design for Phase III (\$2,500,000); award and initiate a construction contract for Phase I of the Mission Reach (\$12,300,000); and, continue the Woodlawn study (\$400,000).

ISSUES AND OTHER INFORMATION: This project includes modifications to 30.7 miles of channels and construction of 4.2 miles of tunnels along the San Antonio River and five of its tributaries. The recommended project for ecosystem restoration and recreation includes the creation of 113 acres of aquatic habitat and 320 acres of riparian habitat within the Mission

Reach portion of the existing flood damage reduction project. The sponsor has identified funds for its portion of the project. Delays in Federal funding could jeopardize the availability of these time sensitive non-Federal funds and impact other concurrent construction activities by the sponsor that, while not a part of the Federal project, are integral to its completeness. Delays in completing the General Reevaluation Report for the Woodlawn area will subject over 300 residences to continued severe and catastrophic flooding which has already caused the loss of lives on separate incidences.

ADMINISTRATION POSITION: Consistent with Administration policy but low budget priority.

CONGRESSIONAL INTEREST: Congressmen Gonzalez, TX-20; Smith, TX-21; Rodriguez, TX-23; Cuellar, TX-28.