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FACT SHEET

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LITTLE CUYAHOGA RIVER - AKRON OH

Aquatic Ecosystem Restoration

Section 206 of the 1996 Water Resources Development Act, as amended
Construction General (Continuing Authorities Program)

Location

- The project is located on the Little Cuyahoga River in the city of Akron, Summit County, Ohio

Project Description

- Ecosystem restoration feasibility study which will address restoring over 6 acres of degraded riverside habitat along the Little Cuyahoga River
- Several possible measures including streambank erosion control measures and restoration measures have been identified. Project benefits would include the expansion of the riparian buffer, increased quality of aquatic habitat zone, fish diversity and connectivity, and the addition of 0.8 acres in wetland.

- Design and implementation costs would be cost-shared 65% Federal and 35% non-Federal

Importance

- Current riparian habitat in this area of the river is scarce and only provides limited suitable habitat for fish and terrestrial animals
- This project would amplify efforts already underway by the local sponsor to restore ecosystems in other nearby areas

Consequences

- If restoration is not accomplished, the river will continue to degrade and riparian habitat will continue to diminish

Project Phase	Est. Fed. Cost of Phase	Federal Funding through FY15	FY16 Requirement	FY16 Budget	FY17 Requirement	FY17 Budget
Feasibility ¹	TBD	\$1,137K*	\$48.8K	0	\$50K	NA
Design & Implementation	TBD	\$0	\$110K	0	\$200K	NA

(1) First \$100k is at 100% Federal expense.

*\$950K funded through Great Lakes Restoration Initiative (GLRI) Program

Project Sponsor/Customer

- Sponsor - city of Akron, OH through a letter of request on August 27, 2009 and an updated letter in October 2015

Congressional Interests

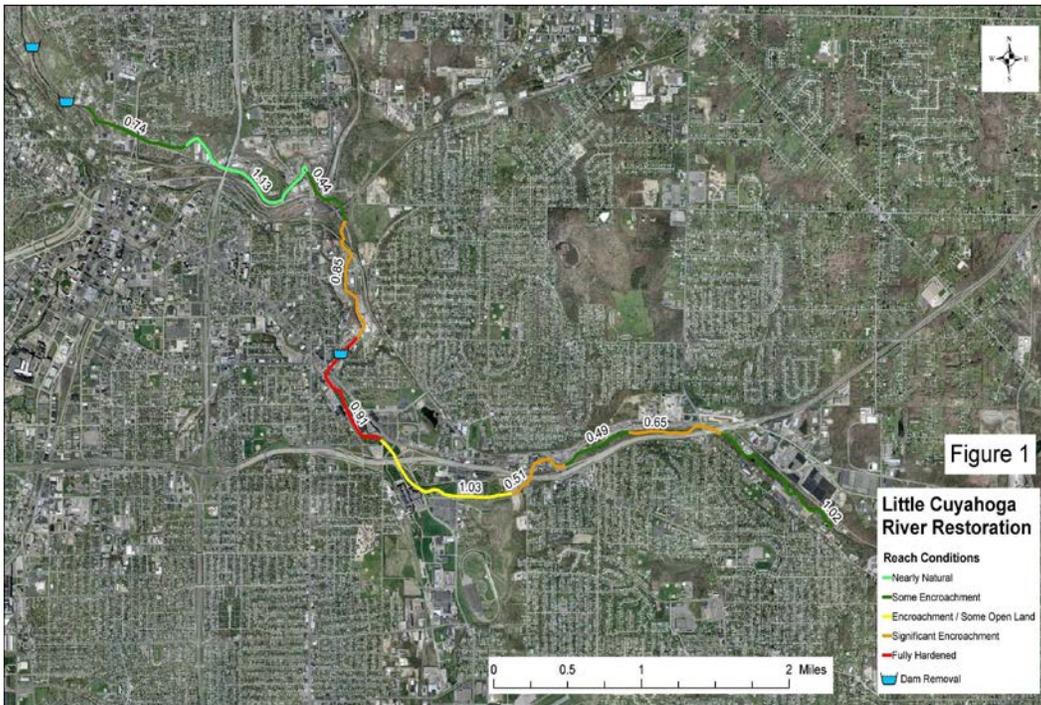
- Representative Marcia Fudge D-OH-11
- Senator Sherrod Brown D-OH
- Senator Rob Portman R-OH

Current Status

- The final Detailed Project Report/ Environmental Assessment (DPR/EA) is scheduled for completion in FY16
- A Feasibility Cost Sharing agreement has been executed for the completion of the Feasibility Study 14 October 2014

Issues

- No Issues



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