



FACT SHEET

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Seneca Bluffs Restoration, Buffalo, NY Interagency Agreement with USEPA

Location

- The Seneca Bluffs Natural Habitat Park is located along the Buffalo River in Buffalo, NY.

Project Description

- This project will result in the restoration of 3,100 linear feet of shoreline along the Buffalo River and meet the goals of a wide array of project partners
- Design will focus on bioengineering techniques to reduce shoreline erosion, restore valued habitat along the Buffalo River, and manage invasive species
- This project will consist of Detailed Design for a habitat restoration project, followed by contract award and oversight of project implementation

Importance

- This project has been identified by the Buffalo River Remedial Advisory Committee as a priority management action required for delisting of the Area of Concern
- Seneca Bluffs is a rare example of aquatic and nearshore habitat in the urban core.

Consequences

- Without this project, Seneca Bluffs will continue to suffer from the severe erosion, degraded habitat value, and loss of park space
- Without this project, local stakeholders and the EPA will be unable to meet their shared goal of delisting the Buffalo River Area of Concern

Project Phase	Est. Fed. Cost of Phase	Federal Funding Thru FY15	FY16 Requirement	FY16 Budget	FY17 Requirement	FY17 Budget
Design and Implementation	\$2,300k	\$2,300k	\$0k	\$0k	\$0k	NA

Project Sponsor/Customer

- US Environmental Protection Agency

Congressional Interests

- Representative Brian Higgins D-NY-26
- Senator Charles Schumer D-NY
- Senator Kirsten Gillibrand D-NY

Current Status

- Funding has been received and field work has been initiated
- Contract Award is scheduled for July 2016

Issues

- Project schedule is aggressive but achievable



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