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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 between River Miles 2 and 10 in the city of Akron, Summit County, Ohio

#### Project Description

- Ecosystem restoration feasibility study which will address restoring an eight-mile section of degraded riverside habitat along the Little Cuyahoga River
- Several possible measures including streambank erosion control measures and restoration measures have been identified. Possible alternatives could include the expansion of the riparian buffer, the removal of understory growth, and placement of structures in portions of the river which would provide fish refuge and spawning areas

- 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 FY11	FY12 Requirement	FY12 Budget	FY13 Requirement	FY13 Budget
Feasibility <sup>1</sup>	TBD	\$820k*	\$31k	\$31k**	\$194k***	\$0

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

\*\$740k funded through Great Lakes Restoration Initiative (GLRI) Program

\*\*\$31k funded through GLRI Program

\*\*\*\$194k funds are expected through GLRI Program

#### Project Sponsor/Customer

- Sponsor - city of Akron, OH through a letter of request on August 27, 2009

#### Congressional Interests

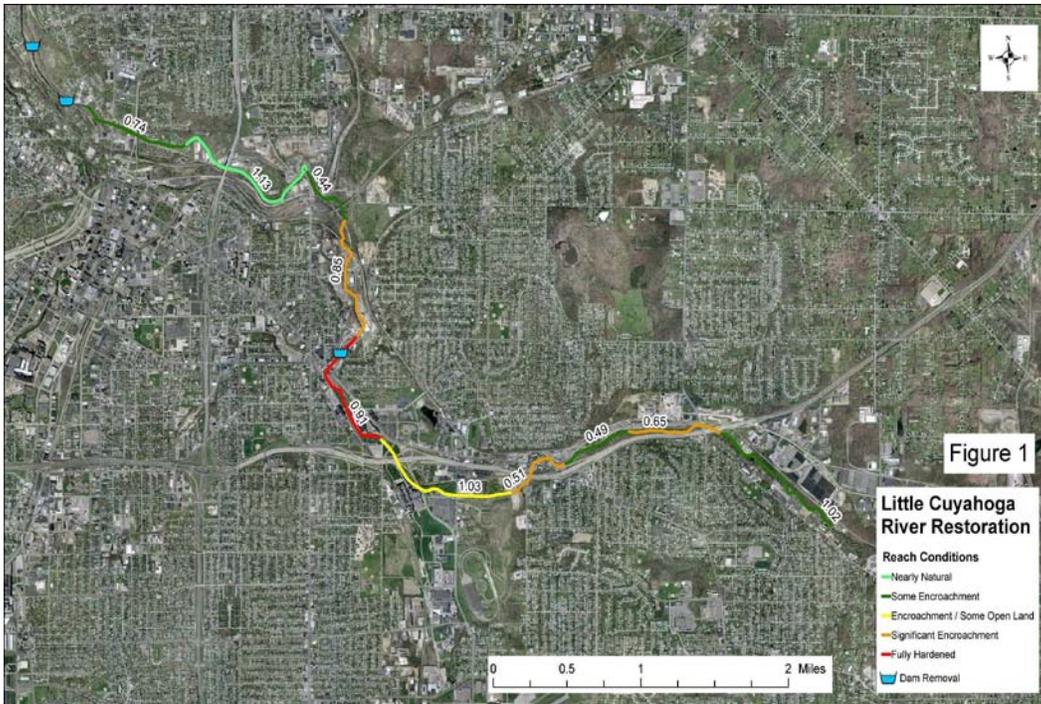
- Representative Timothy Ryan D-OH-17
- Senator Sherrod Brown D-OH
- Senator Rob Portman R-OH

#### Current Status

- Contract awarded to A-E firm URS on October 29, 2010 to start Feasibility Study phase of project
- Feasibility Study scheduled for completion in FY 13

#### Issues

- None. Funds for FY 13 are expected to be available from GLRI



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