



**US Army Corps
of Engineers**

Little Cuyahoga River, Akron, OH

Habitat Focus Area

Project Location: The project is located between River Miles 2 and 10 of the Little Cuyahoga River in the city of Akron, Summit County, Ohio within the Cuyahoga River Watershed.

Project Description: The Little Cuyahoga River has numerous impairments of water quality including degraded habitat for fish and macroinvertebrates, streambank erosion, high sediment loading, and contaminated sediment. The ongoing feasibility study will address restoring an eight-mile reach. Alternatives include measures for control of streambank and restoration or expansion of the riparian buffer, the removal of understory growth, and placement of structures within the river which would provide refuge and spawning areas for fish.

Non-Federal Partner: City of Akron, Ohio

Project Benefits: This project will restore habitat in urbanized riparian and riverine areas, contributing to the overall improvement of fish populations as well as the benthic macroinvertebrate community structure. The project supports the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative Action Plan in Focus Area 4: Habitat and Wildlife Protection and Restoration and supports achievement of Goals 4 and 5 as listed in the plan.

Project Status: Draft Detailed Project Reports have been issued in June and November 2012. Real estate appraisals and analysis were completed April 2013 and thorough reviews with the sponsor are now complete. The final draft of the Detailed Project Report/Environmental Analysis is scheduled for September 2013 with the Agency Technical Review to begin by the end of the month.



Estimated Project Costs	
Federal	\$3,870,000
Non-Federal	\$1,500,000
Total	\$5,370,000

Project Milestones	
Complete feasibility study	APR 2014
Award construction contract	JUN 2015
Complete construction	JUN 2016

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