

GLRI Buffalo River SAV Restoration

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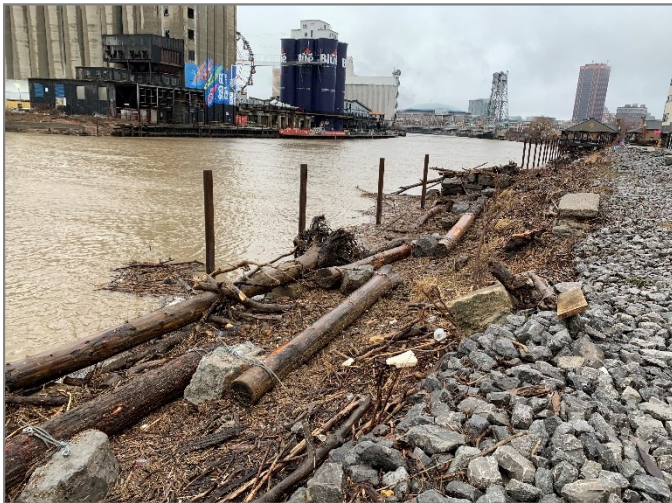
AUTHORIZATION:

The Economy Act (31 U.S.C.1535) authorizes agencies to enter into agreements to obtain supplies or services from another agency. This project is authorized under the Economy Act for the United States Environmental Protection Agency as part of the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative.

PROJECT SPONSOR:

- There is no cost share sponsor for this project. The primary non-federal partners is the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation.

LOCATION:



Riparian Lock Logs along Buffalo River as of January 2023



Buffalo River Area of Concern, New York

Congressional Member Interest	Key Stakeholder Interest
Representative Brian Higgins (D) NY-26	New York State Department of Environmental Conservation
Senator Charles Schumer (D) NY	Buffalo Niagara Waterkeeper
Senator Kirsten Gillibrand (D) NY	US Environmental Protection Agency

PROJECT DESCRIPTION AND BACKGROUND:

The objective of the project is to enhance aquatic habitat within the Buffalo River and the identified impairments to beneficial uses of the river as an Area of Concern. Submerged aquatic and riparian vegetation have been restored through project efforts to date, resulting in an improvement in available habitat and the related effort to delist the Buffalo River Area of Concern.

BUDGET INFORMATION:

As of: 2/22/2023

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Authorized Total Project Cost	\$3,709,786.62
Non-Federal Sponsor Cost	\$0
Federal Cost	\$3,709,786.62
Federal Funding Received Prior to FY24 President Budget	\$3,709,786.62

CURRENT STATUS:

Restoration activities conclude across multiple project sites as of 2020. An adaptive management effort is underway as of January 2023 to improve the riparian lock logs adjacent to the Ellicott site to ensure long term sustainability. A contract for construction was awarded in November 2022 and is anticipated to conclude in spring 2023. Project closeout is anticipated to follow.

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