



Memo to: Board of Directors

From: Chuck Etwert

Subject: Program Status Report for July 2016

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Approximately 81% of the \$72.9 million of construction, involved in all nine current construction bid packages, has been completed thru June. The amount of work completed during the month was \$1.3 million. The total amount of construction completed is \$59.0 million.

The elevation of the Mississippi River which was expected to recede to constructible levels early in the month hasn't occurred. Current Corps projections, indicate low ground water elevations to be reached on July 30th, allowing contractors to begin the installation of the reinforced concrete pipe approved last fall. The delay of installation continues to have an effect on the completion times of the bid packages involved.

In Prairie Du Pont and Fish Lake, the Corps of Engineers has completed their re-analysis of the areas where there weren't any 100-Year Level improvements or where only seepage berms were installed. Amec Foster Wheeler anticipates presenting the first phase of the Authorized Level Project Summary Report for that portion of the Prairie Du Pont/Fish Lake area in August.

We submitted comments on the draft amended Project Partnership Agreements (PPAs) for East St. Louis and Wood River. Once the amended PPAs are finalized, the approval process will begin, with approvals expected to occur early next year. Work In-Kind credit can be accumulated but cannot be utilized until the amended PPAs have been approved.

As mentioned last month Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) denied the state of Illinois' request for funding assistance regarding the severe storms and flooding in late December and early January. Due to the denial, Amec Foster Wheeler and Husch Blackwell have negotiated a change order reflecting an equitable settlement of costs, which Amec Foster Wheeler will present later at the meeting.

The repair of the Monroe County Road District #5 road damages, as a result of construction of BP #6, has been agreed upon by the parties involved and was to begin last week weather permitting.

On June 28th and 29th, FEMA held Open House events regarding the FEMA 2016 Madison County Floodplain Work Maps. These events and work maps focused on the interior drainage and floodplain in Madison County.

The FPD, with Amec Foster Wheeler and Husch Blackwell, is preparing to submit the interior drainage mapping developed by Amec Foster Wheeler as part of our written comments on the work maps presented. I will probably be contacting the county chairs, requesting letters of support, endorsing the use of this mapping for the next map updates.

In the invitation letter to the Madison County communities, FEMA did provide the attached summary sheet, regarding the FPD's Levee Accreditation process. The schedule indicated coincides well with the anticipated completion dates of our projects.

There will be similar meetings held in St. Clair and Monroe Counties in the month of August.

On June 30th, Jon Omvig and I met with the Corps of Engineers regarding the Corps' award of the Wood River Shallow Cutoff Wall project utilizing the Best Value Tradeoff Approach.

As you are aware, the Corps awarded the contract to Mi-Con, a division of Michels Corporation, whose proposal didn't include a Project Labor Agreement (PLA). None of the four proposals received had a PLA. Therefore, per the Council's policy of requiring Project Labor Agreements on all construction contracts, the Council future participation with the Corps utilizing the Best Value Tradeoff Approach is very unlikely.

The Council now needs to maximize Work In-Kind Credit work as much as possible, satisfy the 5% cash requirement by providing the Corps funds for oversight on design and construction, and construct projects 100% where the Corps' benefit cost ratio is low and Corps funds aren't anticipated. Amec Foster Wheeler and I will continue to determine how the most can be accomplished utilizing the funds available.

I have included in your Board packet an article about the Corps' Wood River Shallow Cutoff Wall decision and Amec Foster Wheeler's Monthly Progress Report for July.