

Memo to: Board of Directors

From: Chuck Etwert

Subject: Program Status Report for October 2016

Date: October 12, 2016

Approximately 83% of the \$73.4 million of construction, involved in all nine current construction bid packages, has been completed thru September. The amount of work completed during the month was just \$232,000. The total amount of construction completed is \$61.2 million.

The elevation of the Mississippi River continues to recede very slowly towards the necessary elevation of ten feet which would allow contractors to install the reinforced concrete pipe. With a current elevation of over twenty, projections now indicate the earliest the elevation will be reached is two weeks out.

As previously mentioned, the delay of this installation continues to have an effect on the completion times of the bid packages involved, with project completion times now extending into next year.

On September 28<sup>th</sup>, I attended an Emergency Action Plan (EAP) Tabletop Exercise for the Metro East Sanitary District/Chain of Rocks East Levee Systems. The latest draft of the Emergency Action Plan was presented, as well as, inundation maps reflecting different levee failure situations. The exercise was well attended with representatives from the Corps, MESD, EMA official, and local officials.

As mentioned last month, Amec Foster Wheeler has submitted their interior drainage analysis for the drainage area tributary to outlet structures that penetrate the Wood River, Metro East Sanitary District, Prairie Du Pont, and Fish Lake Levee Systems to FEMA for incorporation into their upcoming Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRMs) for Madison, St. Clair, and Monroe Counties. To date, we have received letters of support from Madison County and St. Clair County.

With the Corps of Engineers now indicating that a coffer dam will not be necessary to achieve the 100-Year certification as part of the repair to the City of East St. Louis 126 Inch Sewer Repair, an Invitation to Bid has been issued with a bid opening scheduled for November 8, 2016.

The MESD Levee System Certification/Accreditation meeting with Corps and FEMA has been schedule for Thursday, October 13, 2016. Meeting results will be provided at the Board meeting.

Lastly, I want to mention that the FPD Council and the St. Louis Metro East Levee Issues Alliance have been selected to receive a 2016 Outstanding Local Government Achievement Award for Leadership in Planning and Design Innovation from the East-West Gateway Council of Governments.

I have also included in your Board packet, a copy of Amec Foster Wheeler's Monthly Progress Report for October.