

Memo to: Board of Directors

From: Chuck Etwert

Subject: Program Status Report for July 2023

Date: July 17, 2023

## 500-Year Authorized Level Status

## Wood River Levee System

Construction of Bid Package 8 (by USACE) continues.

As previously reported, Bid Package 9 is on hold pending an update to the Integral Determination Report (IDR) and Project Partnership Agreement (PPA) amendment. It is anticipated that WSP can begin design by December 2023, if not before. The project has an estimated construction cost of \$2,400,000.

The FPD Council and the Wood River Drainage and Levee District are still awaiting a formal response from our joint letter to the Corps dated February 16, 2023. We still believe that a solution at the Old Wood River Channel is not a betterment as the Corps has stated and we will continue to pursue adding this project as a work-in-kind project if we can agree with the Corps on a viable path forward.

Land acquisition work in Wood River for USACE projects is still ongoing. One TCE renewal from Phillips 66 is currently underway for Bid Package 8.

Relief Well Package 2 land acquisition coordination with landowners, USACE, and stakeholders is ongoing.

Relief Well Package 3 land acquisition continues with completion anticipated in mid-2023.

WSP submitted a revised WIK Request No. 2 on January 13, 2023, which addressed the USACE comments to the prior submittal. WIK Request No. 2 submittal is for \$1,980,961.47.

On October 17, 2022, USACE has approved our first LERRDs submittal in the amount of \$696,876.85.

Work In-Kind credit of \$16,041,496 has been approved to date for the Wood River Levee System.

## MESD Levee System

Bid Package 11 Change Order No. 3, in the amount of \$172,126.15, for additional fencing replacement that was de-scoped from the Corps' Bid Package 12 Phase I project is on the agenda for consideration. Over the past several weeks the Corps has identified a desire to change some of the previously approved materials that are being used for the backfilling of relief wells. As a result, relief well construction was rearranged to accommodate the change. A change order for the material change is anticipated to be presented at the August Board meeting.

WSP has not received any further comments on the Bid Package 18 closeout documentation comment responses submitted on June 14. We will consider that project closed out if we don't hear anything else from the Corps over the next few months.

Land acquisition from Terminal Railroad Association (TRRA) is still ongoing; once complete, the FPD Council anticipates turning Bid Package 14B over to USACE to complete design and construction.

The appraisal needed to submit East St. Louis LERRDs Claim for Credit No. 3 is anticipated to be complete this week, after which WSP will prepare and submit the 3<sup>rd</sup> LERRDs request.

USACE issued a letter on May 9 informing us that they agree with the need for Bid Package 18A. WSP has had an initial "kick-off" meeting with USACE to discuss the path forward for this project and will meet again with USACE in early July. Preliminary estimated construction cost is \$8,800,000.

USACE has approved \$1,364,287.45 LERRDs credit to date.

The 2<sup>nd</sup> request for LERRDs credit, in the amount of \$80,166.91, was submitted to USACE on June 19, 2023.

Work In-Kind Credit Requests #3, #4, #5 & #6 submitted to USACE and under review total \$12,183,767.91.

Work In-Kind credit of \$12,415,405.70 has been approved to date for the MESD Levee System.

## Prairie Du Pont/Fish Lake Levee Systems

WSP is currently working on the 65% design submittal for Bid Package 15. Substantial value engineering has occurred over the past several months on the Bid Package 15 project, which has delayed the schedule but brought substantial financial savings. WSP's value engineering work is still ongoing and, as now reported in the annual budget, the estimated construction cost for Bid Package 15 has been reduced from \$21.8M to \$18.3M.

WSP submitted the scope for both Bid Packages 16 and 17 to USACE on July 10 so that they can begin the process of developing a contributed funds agreement for those two packages. The contributed funds agreement gives the Corps the funding to review our projects against the authorized level criteria that the FPD Council and USACE have agreed upon.

WSP prepared a new Draft Environmental Assessment (EA) and submitted it to USACE on March 29 and received comments on July 11. WSP is currently evaluating the most efficient path forward to obtain the necessary Corps approvals to build Bid Package 15. WSP submitted the PdP/FL Section 404 permit application under Nationwide Permit No. 3 on July 12.

Attached is WSP's Monthly Construction Progress Report.