



Memo to: Board of Directors  
From: Chuck Etwert  
Subject: Program Status Report for July 2025  
Date: July 14, 2025

## **500-Year Authorized Level Status**

### Wood River Levee System

Bid Package 8: This USACE construction project is complete. WSP reviewed an initial set of as-built drawings from the contractor and is currently awaiting a revised set before further review.

Bid Package 9: WSP has resolved the majority of the 65% USACE review comments and is working towards the 95% complete design submittal to USACE, which is scheduled for August. Currently, this project is scheduled to be issued for bid in late fall 2025.

Relief Well Package 2: The Corps' Relief Well Package #2 needs an easement from the City of Wood River, at the northwestern corner of the intersection between IL-3 and IL-143, to convey relief well discharge from west to east through Old Channel Wood River. On July 7, the City of Wood River voted to approve the sale of the land in question to a developer, although the sale is not yet completed. The land acquisition team is in the process of contacting the future owner to discuss the easement needed for the Corps' Relief Well Project #2. The Corps of Engineers has indicated they are close to issuing a response to the FPD Council and Wood River Drainage and Levee District's joint letter requesting a reconsideration of their determination that re-routing the Old Channel Wood River would be considered a "betterment" and, therefore, not eligible for work-in-kind (WIK) credit.

LERRDs: Updates to the FPD Councils' 2nd & 3<sup>rd</sup> LERRDs submittals to the Corps are still underway.

Work In-Kind credit of \$17,739,418.51 and LERRD's credit of \$693,274.23 has been approved to date for the Wood River Levee System.

## MESD Levee System

Bid Package 11: Pipe construction continues as weather allows. WSP received a request for a change order for work associated with the emergency action plain (EAP) work that was necessary in spring 2024. That change order (#14) is on the agenda. As a reminder, on April 29, 2024, with a forecasted flood stage on the river, the General Contractor was directed to temporarily backfill all open excavations and install the temporary bypass pumping system, per the Emergency Action Plan. The contract with the General Contactor stipulates that the FPD Council will reimburse emergency work during flooding

Bid Package 18A: WSP is working towards the 95% complete design submittal and will incorporate USACE review comments as received and as appropriate. One comment that has had a significant impact is the change in relief well flows from the Corps Bid Package 12 Phase II project to the north. Bid Package 18A is primarily a pipe and pump station project. As such, the Corps are piping their relief well discharge from Bid Package 12 into the FPD Council's Bid Package 18A project. WSP recently learned (in the 65% review comments) that the flows from Bid Package 12 have increased, necessitating a pipe size change and pump station design change. (The change requires larger pipe, larger pumps, and a larger wet well structure.) WSP is assessing the impact of this change and will bring a request for additional funds to revise the design at a future meeting.

LERRDs: Updates to the FPD Councils' LERRDs submittals to the Corps are still underway.

Work In-Kind credit of \$24,599,173.61 and LERRDs credit of \$1,607,516.56 has been approved to date for the MESD Levee System.

## Prairie Du Pont/Fish Lake Levee Systems

Bid Package 15: WSP has addressed the majority of the 95% review comments from USACE. WSP has requested a meeting with USACE, tentatively scheduled for the week of July 21, to discuss the remaining concerns. Easements are being sought from the Terminal Railroad Association of St. Louis (TRRA) and the two entities within the Pulcher family.

Bid Package 16: Design will continue as comments from other packages are addressed and WSP can move forward with confidence that the design criteria are acceptable to USACE

Bid Package 17: Design will continue as comments from other packages are addressed and WSP can move forward with confidence that the design criteria are acceptable to USACE

Attached is WSP's Monthly Construction Progress Report.