



Memo to: Board of Directors  
From: Chuck Etwert  
Subject: Program Status Report for September 2024  
Date: September 18, 2024

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

### Wood River Levee System

Bid Package 8: The Corps' contractor is anticipated to complete construction of Bid Package 8 soon, after which, WSP will submit the Work-in-Kind (WIK) submittal for engineering during construction (EDC) services.

Bid Package 9: The Project Partnership Agreement (PPA) Amendment #2 is scheduled to be signed by all parties on September 18, 2024. WSP anticipates beginning design on Oct. 1, after a kick-off meeting with USACE.

Relief Well Package 2: The FPD Council received the revised Notice-to-Proceed (NTP) letter for land acquisition for Relief Well Package 2 (RWP2) on August 22, 2024. (RWP2 is the project that the Old Channel Wood River work falls within.) Appraisals are now being obtained for the lands requested by USACE, after which, our negotiator will make offers to each property owner.

LERRDs: WSP submitted Wood River LERRDs claim for credit No. 2 on September 9, in the amount of \$899,765.37. This submittal includes costs for negotiation services, routine legal expenses related to acquisitions, surveying & easement plat preparation, appraisals, management of LERRDs work, multiple easements purchased for USACE-constructed projects, and utility relocation agreement expenses the FPD Council has incurred. USACE is currently reviewing this claim for credit. The 3<sup>rd</sup> Wood River LERRDs Claim for Credit is currently being prepared and is anticipated to be submitted by the end of September.

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: Construction activities on Bid Package 11 are proceeding with low river stage and favorable weather conditions. The contractor is working on force main piping at G.C.E.D. #1X pump station, backfilling at both Venice Pump Station and Madison Pump Station. As a reminder, on April 29, 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 Contractor stipulates that the FPD Council will reimburse for emergency work during flooding. A contract change order for emergency flood preparedness work will be forthcoming after the emergency action measures have been removed.

Bid Package 14B WSP has been working with the Corps of Engineers to revise some plan sheets over the past month, but those revisions are now complete. Additional access easements are in the process of being obtained from Terminal Railroad Association (TRRA), Kansas City Southern Railroad, and Ameren.

Bid Package 18A: WSP is working towards the 65% design submittal. The next internal milestone is the Value Engineering workshop required by the Corps of Engineers. WSP has scheduled that workshop for early October.

LERRDs: East St. Louis LERRDs Claim for Credit No. 4 was submitted to USACE on August 2 in the amount of \$740,734.80, USACE approval isn't expected for several months. East St. Louis LERRDs Claim for Credit No. 5 was submitted on September 13 in the amount of 47,604.50. These requests include negotiation services, routine legal expenses related to acquisitions, surveying & easement plat preparation, appraisals, management of LERRDs work, and the TRRA easement purchase of \$460,000 for Bid Package 14B, along with attorney fees for the litigation associated with the TRRA acquisition. USACE is currently reviewing both claims.

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 is currently preparing the final Section 408 submittal for Bid Package 15 (95% Design).

Bid Package 16: 35% design of Bid Package 16 was submitted to USACE on July 8 and USACE provided review comments on September 13. WSP is currently responding to comments and working towards the 65% complete design.

Bid Package 17: 35% design is underway and will be submitted in fall 2024 after USACE has completed review of Bid Package 15.

PDP/FL Environmental Permitting: All comments to the Draft Environmental Assessment have been resolved, except for Section 106 (cultural resources) aspects, which are close to being resolved between USACE and WSP. The Environmental Assessment is a necessary component of the Section 408 permissions that will be sought for each of the PDP/FL bid packages.

Attached is WSP's Monthly Construction Progress Report.