



# Section 204 Overview

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## Location

United States

## State(s)

IA,IL,MN,MO,WI

## Congressional District(s)

IA-1, IA-2, IA-3, IA-4, IL-11, IL-13, IL-14, IL-15, IL-16, IL-17, IL-18, IL-2, IL-3, MN-1, MN-7, MO-6, WI-1, WI-2, WI-3, WI-5, WI-6

## Description

**AUTHORITY AND SCOPE** Section 204 of the 1992 Water Resources Development Act, as amended, provides authority for the Corps of Engineers to restore, protect, and create aquatic and wetland habitats in connection with construction or maintenance dredging of an authorized navigation project. **CASH CONTRIBUTION** The initial study and all planning costs are 100% federally funded. Design and construction costs above the "Base Plan" are cost shared 65% Federal and 35% non-Federal. The "Base Plan" represents the dredging placement work that would have occurred without the proposed 204 project. The sponsor cost share can be a contribution of cash, lands, easements, rights-of-way, relocations, and disposal areas (LERRDs). No work-in-kind is allowed. **LOCAL COOPERATION** Formal assurance of local cooperation must be furnished by a local sponsoring agency. The sponsoring agency must normally agree to the following: a. Provide without cost to the United States all LERRDs necessary for the construction and subsequent maintenance of the project; b. Maintain and operate the project after completion without cost to the United States; and, c. Assume responsibility for all costs in excess of the Federal cost of \$5 million. **HOW TO REQUEST ASSISTANCE** Investigations of an environmental improvement project under Section 204 can be initiated upon receipt of a request from a prospective sponsoring agency. Section 204 project requests should be directed to Mr. Andrew Leichthy.

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