



**US Army Corps
of Engineers**
Louisville District

CLEARING AND SNAGGING FOR FLOOD CONTROL SECTION 208

PURPOSE: Section 208 of the 1954 Flood Control Act authorizes the Corps of Engineers to participate in planning, engineering and design, and construction of projects involving removal of snags and other debris, in-stream clearing and limited embankment construction using material from the clearing operation to reduce damages caused by overbank flooding.

PARTNERS: Projects require partnering with a non-Federal sponsor who may be a public agency, state or local government.

PROCESS AND FUNDING: The initial step for a proposed clearing and snagging project is the preparation of a Planning Design Analysis (PDA), which will result in a determination of whether or not there is a Federal interest in a solution to the identified problem. The first \$40,000 of the cost of the PDA is funded 100% Federal. The non-Federal sponsor's share of the costs for all planning and design work completed prior to execution of a project cooperation agreement will be initially federally financed. The non-Federal sponsor will be responsible for these costs when the project cooperation agreement (PCA) is executed. The total project cost will be shared 65% Federal and 35% non-Federal to include the cost of lands, easements, rights-of-way, relocations, or disposal areas necessary for the projects. The non-Federal local sponsor is required to provide 5% of the cost-sharing in cash. The Federal limit for a single project is \$500,000. This Federal cost limitation includes all project-related costs for feasibility studies, planning engineering, construction, supervision, and administration. The sponsor is responsible for all costs over the Federal limit. The sponsor will also be responsible for all operation and maintenance costs.

REQUESTS FOR ASSISTANCE: Requests for assistance should be submitted in the form of a Letter of Intent from a state or local government agency to U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Louisville District. Samples are available upon request and should be mailed to **U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Louisville District, Attn: Chief, Planning Branch, P.O. Box 59, Louisville, KY 40201**. After receipt of a written request, the Louisville District will contact the applicant by telephone and discuss particulars of the problem and of continuing the process.

FOR MORE INFORMATION: If you need more information, you may contact the Louisville District Outreach Coordinator:

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