

Section 219: Environmental Infrastructure Program

Section 219 of the Water Resources Development Act of 1992

What the Corps of Engineers Can Do:

The Environmental Infrastructure Program, also known as Section 219 of the 1992 Water Resources Development Act (WRDA), as amended, authorizes the Corps to assist non-Federal interests in carrying out water-related environmental infrastructure and resource protection and development projects. Such assistance may be in the form of technical, planning, and/or design assistance for water supply and storage, treatment and distribution systems; and wastewater treatment systems including treatment plants.

Restrictions:

Projects must be specifically named by Congress in the authorizing language for this program. Procurement of design services shall be obtained from private sources, unless —the services provided require the use of new technologies unavailable from the private sector, or Solicitation or Request for Proposal fails to attract two or more bids.

Charges for Assistance:

The non-Federal sponsor's share is 25 percent of total design costs or total project costs. The non-Federal sponsor is responsible for providing all lands, easements, rights-of-way, and relocations (LERR) required for the project and for obtaining any necessary permits. The non-Federal sponsor will receive credit for the value of such LERRs and the cost of obtaining permits toward its share of total project costs, but not to exceed 25 percent of total project costs. In addition, the non-Federal sponsor will receive credit toward its share of total design costs or total project costs, as applicable, for the reasonable costs of design work it completes prior to entering into an agreement with the Government. The non-Federal sponsor will be responsible for 100 percent of the operation, maintenance, repair, rehabilitation, and replacement costs associated with a completed construction project.

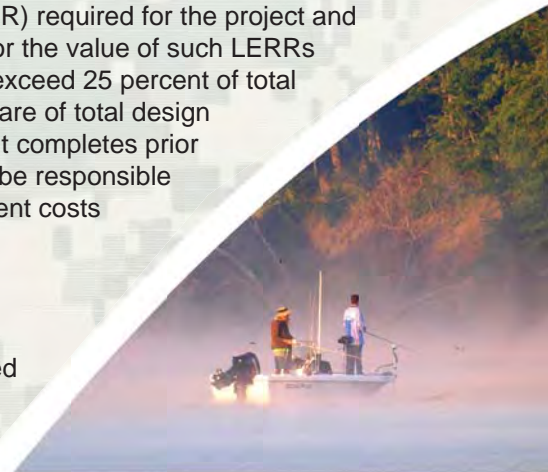
Responsibility of Project Sponsor:

Formal assurance in the form of a Project Partnership Agreement must be executed with the project sponsor. The project sponsor must normally agree to the following:

- Provide without cost to the United States all Lands, Easements, Rights-of-way, Relocations, and Disposal areas (LERRDs) necessary for the construction and subsequent maintenance of the project.
- Maintain and operate the project after completion without cost to the United States.
- Assume responsibility for all costs in excess of the Federal cost limitation of \$5,000,000.
- If the value of the sponsor's land contribution above does not equal or exceed 35 percent of the project cost, provide cash or work-in-kind contributions to make the sponsor's total contribution equal to 35 percent.

How to Request Assistance:

Send a letter to the Louisville District.



Cost Sharing

- **Federal 75%**
- **Non-Federal 25%**
- **Federal Cost Share limited to \$5 million**

