



**US Army Corps  
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St. Paul District

# Information Paper

## Streambank Protection: Section 14, Fort Abercrombie, North Dakota



*Bank erosion along the Red River of the North  
at Historic Fort Abercrombie, May 2009*

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### Location/Description

Fort Abercrombie is a historic fort along the Red River of the North near Abercrombie, North Dakota. The fort was moved to its current location in 1860, abandoned in 1877 and reconstructed in 1939-1940. It has a visitors' center and is managed as the Fort Abercrombie State Historic Site. Bank erosion is threatening several historic building locations. One historic building location has already been lost to the river, and another has been partially eroded. The reconstructed blockhouse was relocated to another corner of the fort away from the river in the winter of 2009-2010, but the historic foundation still remains.

### Status

Feasibility planning is complete using Federal funding. The feasibility study was approved August 2011.

Using available Federal funds, the St. Paul District and the non-Federal sponsor executed a project partnership agreement in October 2011. Final project design work is complete. The required cultural data recovery that is required prior to construction has been completed. The construction contract award is anticipated in September 2012. At a minimum, construction on the north erosion site will begin this fall while the visitor center is closed. Construction on the east site will likely begin next spring. All construction is scheduled to be completed by September 2013.

### Authority

Section 14 of the 1946 Flood Control Act, as amended

### Fiscal

Feasibility planning work is 100-percent Federal cost, up to \$100,000. The design and implementation phase of the project is being cost shared at 65-percent Federal and 35-percent non-Federal. The total project cost at this time is estimated to be approximately \$1,210,000.