



US Army Corps
of Engineers
St. Paul District

Information Paper

Flood Risk Management: Section 205, Trempealeau River Arcadia, Wisconsin



City of Arcadia, Wisconsin.

Contact

Nanette Bischoff, Project Manager
(651) 290-5426 (651) 290-5258 (fax)
Nanette.m.bischoff@usace.army.mil

Location/Description

Arcadia is located in Trempealeau County in west-central Wisconsin, approximately 130 miles southeast of St. Paul, Minnesota. The city is located on the Trempealeau River, with Turton Creek and Meyers Valley Creek flowing through town.

The area is subject to flooding from the river, as well as from both creeks. The part of town located south of the Trempealeau River is affected by flooding, which includes the central business district, and Ashley Furniture Industries corporate headquarters and manufacturing facility.

The central business district and Main Street were flooded in 2010. Future flooding may result direct damages and the possible loss of more than 4,000 jobs in the community.

Status

The city of Arcadia requested a Section 205 study on June 5, 2013. A Federal interest determination was completed in July 2015. The city of Arcadia and the Corps signed a Feasibility Cost Share Agreement (FCSA) on March 28, 2016. The feasibility study will begin in the fall of 2016.

The feasibility study will evaluate an array of alternatives designed to reduce the risk of flood damages within the city of Arcadia, and will identify the alternative which produces the most National Economic Development benefits.

Authority

Section 205 of the Flood Control Act of 1948, as amended.

Fiscal

The first \$100,000 of Section 205 study costs, used to complete the Federal interest determination, and develop the study plan and cost share agreement are not cost-shared. The remaining study costs will be cost-shared 50-50 between the Federal government and the city of Arcadia. The estimated cost to complete the feasibility study is \$1,154,000.

If the feasible study identifies an implementable alternative up to 65% of the design and construction costs will be provided by the Federal government. The total Federal investment in the project is limited to \$10 million.

The non-Federal share of design and construction will be a minimum of 35%, but may be as higher, depending upon the costs of lands, easements, rights-of-way, relocations and disposal areas necessary for the project, which are the responsibility of the local sponsor.

Federal funds allocated to date \$100,000