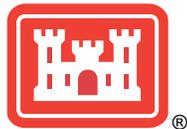


Lock and Dam No. 9 is located south of Lynxville, Wis., and 12 miles north of Prairie du Chien, Wis. It serves as a step in the Upper Mississippi River water stairway of 29 locks and dams.



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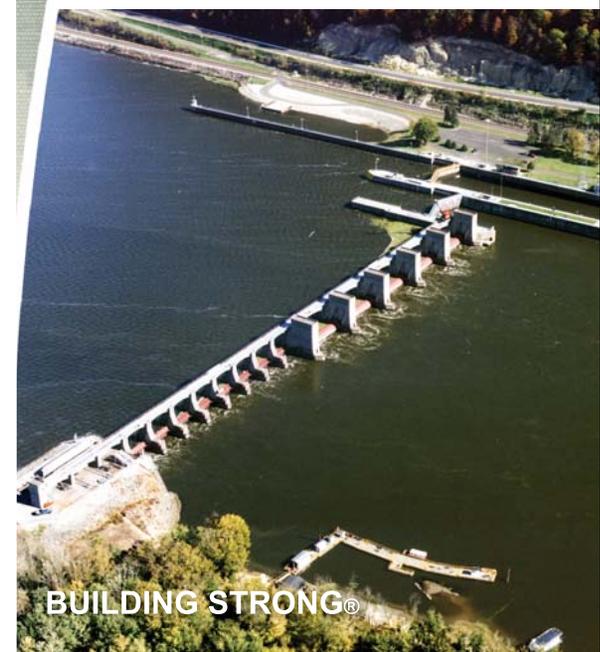
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Navigation

Numerous types of vessels use the lock during the navigation season, which extends from mid-March to mid-December. The lock provides a vertical lift of 9 feet for boats, ranging from canoes to large tow boats with barges. The Upper Mississippi River serves as a main artery for midwest grain bound for both domestic and international markets. More than 18 million tons of cargo pass through the lock each year, with farm products, coal and chemicals being the major commodities. Also, more than 7,000 recreational craft use the lock annually.

Lock and Dam No. 9

Lock and Dam No. 9 is located in a bluff-lined valley on the Upper Mississippi River 12 miles upstream from Prairie du Chien, Wis. The project includes a lock, a dam with moveable gates, an earth dike and an overflow spillway. The Corps of Engineers originally placed the facility in operation in July 1937, as part of the Upper Mississippi River 9-foot channel project. After more than 50 years of service, in 1989, the Corps initiated a major maintenance program to replace much of the operating equipment and to construct a new control building to provide reliable service to navigation customers well into the future.

Balancing Interests

In addition to commercial navigation, the Upper Mississippi River is a valuable environmental resource and provides many recreational opportunities. Today, the Corps is actively working with other agencies to protect and to enhance Mississippi River resources for generations to come. The Corps invites visitors to enjoy viewing lock operations from the observation deck.

