

MVR levee repair assistance

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Public Law 84-99 Rehabilitation Assistance

Corps notifies levee owners of repair assistance for flood-damaged projects

ROCK ISLAND, ILL. – May 19, 2011 - Public sponsors of flood damage reduction projects sustaining flood damages between March 22 and May 18, 2011, can apply for repair assistance from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Rock Island District. Applications are being accepted until June 18, 2011.

Under the authority of Public Law 84-99, the Corps can supplement local repair efforts of both non-federal (constructed by non-federal interests) and federal (Corps-constructed, locally operated and maintained) flood damage reduction projects damaged by flood waters.

Non-federal projects eligible for rehabilitation assistance must have been inspected, evaluated, and active in the Corps' Rehabilitation and Inspection Program prior to the onset of the flood, and still be active (based on the latest Corps Continuing Eligibility inspection) at the time of the flood. Federal projects eligible for rehabilitation assistance must be in an active status by passing its last Inspection of Completed Works inspection.

Rehabilitation assistance will be provided by the Corps if the work is economically justifiable, the damage was sustained during the recent flood event, and the cost of repairs is more than \$15,000. Rehabilitation assistance for a non-federal project is cost shared between the public sponsor and the Corps. The project sponsor must provide 20 percent of the cost of the rehabilitation assistance. Rehabilitation assistance for a federal project is 100 percent federally funded. All repairs are contingent on funding by Congress.

If a sponsor believes their project may qualify for rehabilitation assistance, a written request must be submitted to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. Sponsors can download an "Application for Rehabilitation Assistance for Flood Damage Reduction Projects following a Flood Event," on the Web at: <http://go.usa.gov/jEH>. Applications must be signed by an officer or responsible official of the public sponsor and mailed to:

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Rock Island District
Emergency Management Division
Clock Tower Building, PO Box 2004
Rock Island, Illinois 61204-2004

Upon receipt of the public sponsor's request, the Corps will schedule an inspection with the sponsor. Levee owners with questions concerning rehabilitation assistance can contact the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers at [309-794-5325](tel:309-794-5325).

Web Links:

- Application for Rehabilitation Assistance for Flood Damage Reduction Projects following a Flood Event: <http://go.usa.gov/jEH>

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- U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Rock Island District: <http://www.mvr.usace.army.mil/>
- U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Rock Island District, Emergency Management Office: <http://www.mvr.usace.army.mil/EmergencyMgt/>
- U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Rock Island District, Levee Safety Program: <http://www.mvr.usace.army.mil/publicaffairsoffice/LSP1/LSPHome.htm>

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