





Bonnet Carre Spillway Sand Removal

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- The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers is the land management agency for the Federally-owned Bonnet Carré Spillway, including all the sand, silt and other sediment deposited after spillway openings. The Corps of Engineers has determined that currently 4 areas in the spillway (see map on back) will be leased through competitive bidding with the likelihood of additional leased areas in the future to remove sand deposits.
- The current process will be one in which (1) all qualified persons will be given an equal opportunity to bid on the property; (2) will secure for the Government the benefits which flow from competition; and (3) prevent criticism that any favoritism has been shown by Government officials in making this property available.
- Advertisements to bid for leasing these areas will be made soon. Individuals and companies interested in receiving advertisements on these lease sales should provide their contact information to the Corps at the spillway office or by e-mail at Christopher.G.Brantley@usace.army.mil.
- The formal advertisement will include a property description of the land to be leased, approximate number of acres, a good faith estimate on sand quantities, place where interested parties can obtain additional info on this sale, including a description of the lease application form, and the place, date, and time bids need to be received and where they will be publicly opened.
- The sand removal contracts will generally be for two years with the possibilities of extensions.
- Minimum operational equipment necessary include; excavator, dozer, water truck, road grader, discharge pump, tractor with chopper discs, portable toilet and portable fuel tank. Dump trucks can be subcontracted, but must meet all state and local laws for highway use.
- Individuals will still be allowed to remove small quantities of sand from the spillway with hand shovels and buckets. They may be directed to remove sand from public stockpiles and away from heavy equipment.
- Work-in-kind items will be added to each sand lease and may include such things as restocking the public sand stockpiles, road repair and maintenance, and/or trash removal.
- At completion of excavation work, lease specifications will call for leaving the area suitable for fish and wildlife, connections to drainage, and removal of stockpiled material. In the forebay area, all woody vegetation will be cleared from any ground surfaces prior to lease expiration.

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