



US Army Corps  
of Engineers  
Louisville District®

# Emergency Streambank and Shoreline Stabilization

## Section 14, 1946 Flood Control Act

### What the US Army Corps of Engineers Can Do

The US Army Corps of Engineers is authorized to construct bank protection works to protect vital public facilities that are being threatened by streambank erosion. Some examples of the types of facilities that are eligible for protection are public buildings, roads, sewage treatment plants, municipal water supply systems, non-profit schools and hospitals, bridges, etc. Private property, facilities, or vacant lands are NOT eligible for protection under this authority. In addition the erosion protection must be more cost effective than relocating the facility.

### Study Process

Before the Federal Government can participate in implementing a flood risk management project, a planning study must be conducted to determine if the project is economically justified (benefits exceed the costs), technically feasible, and environmentally acceptable.

### Cost Sharing Information

Initial study is 100% federally funded up to \$100,000. The remainder of the study phase is cost shared 50% Federal and 50% non-Federal. The sponsor must contribute 35 percent of the total project design and construction cost as cash, in-kind services or Lands, Easements, Rights-of-way, Relocations, and Disposal areas (LERRDs). Each project is limited to a Federal Cost of no more than \$5,000,000. The national program limit for these projects is \$20,000,000 per year.

### Responsibility of the Project Sponsor

A Feasibility Cost Sharing Agreement (FCSA) must be executed for studies in excess of \$100,000. Formal assurance in the form of a Project Partnership Agreement must be executed with the project sponsor. The Corps of Engineers would oversee project construction; however, once constructed, the operation and maintenance of the project would be the responsibility of the project sponsor.

### How to Request Assistance

An investigation of a prospective project under Section 14 can be initiated upon receipt of a request from a sponsoring agency empowered under State law to provide local partnership.

### For more information, contact

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Pre-Project Condition



Post-Project Condition