

FACT SHEET  
GENERAL INVESTIGATIONS

STUDY NAME AND STATE: GIWW - Port O'Connor to Corpus Christi Bay, Texas

AUTHORIZATION: Section 216 of the Flood Control Act of 1970

<u>SUMMARIZED FINANCIAL DATA:</u>	<u>FEASIBILITY</u>
Estimated Federal Cost	\$5,900,000
Estimated Non-Federal Cost	0
Total Estimated Cost	5,900,000
Allocation thru FY 2002	2,369,000
Allocation for FY 2003	192,000
Budget Request for FY 2004	400,000
Balance to Complete after FY 2004	2,939,000
Amount That Could Be Used in FY 2004	600,000

LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: The study area includes approximately 79 miles of the Gulf Intracoastal Waterway (GIWW) in Calhoun, Aransas, and Nueces Counties, from Port O'Connor, Texas, to the John F. Kennedy Causeway in Corpus Christi, Texas. Primary project purpose is improvement to navigation by addressing difficulties caused by frequent shoaling, traffic congestion, and lack of navigational aides and mooring facilities. The study will also identify potential beneficial uses of dredged material, environmental restoration opportunities, and long-term disposal options.

PROPOSED ACTIVITIES FOR FY 2003: Continue feasibility study activities.

PROPOSED ACTIVITIES FOR FY 2004: FY 04 Budget Request of \$400,000 will be used for plan selection, project design, and construction costs, and prepare the draft environmental assessment. Additional funding of \$200,000 would be used to maintain optimum study schedule.

ISSUES AND OTHER INFORMATION: The feasibility phase was initiated in July 1998. A public workshop was held on August 20, 1998, to help identify any problem areas. A Feasibility Scoping Meeting was held on April 22, 1999, that addressed the status and the direction being taken by the study.

LOCAL SPONSOR: State of Texas.

CONGRESSIONAL INTEREST: Congressmen Ortiz (TX-27), Paul (TX-14), Senators Cornyn (TX), and Hutchison (TX).

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