

FACT SHEET
OPERATIONS & MAINTENANCE

PROJECT NAME AND STATE: Texas City Channel, Texas

AUTHORIZATION: House Document 427, 86th Congress, 2nd Session.

SUMMARIZED FINANCIAL DATA:

Allocation for FY 2002	\$ 47,000
Allocation for FY 2003	\$ 0
Budget Request for FY 2004	\$2,734,000

LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: The project is located in the vicinity of Texas City in Galveston County, Texas. The Texas City Channel is a 7.3 mile long deep draft channel extending from Bolivar Roads in Galveston Bay to Texas City, Texas. The channel has a protective rubble-mound dike, 28,200 feet long along the northerly side of the channel. The project also includes a 2.1 mile deep draft Industrial Canal and Turning Basin. The project reaches and dimensions are tabulated below:

Texas City Channel	40 X 400 feet
Texas City Turning Basin	40 X 1,200 feet
Industrial Canal	40 X 300-400 feet
Industrial Canal Turning Basin	40 X 1,000 feet

PROPOSED OPERATIONS FOR FY 2003: Condition surveys taken quarterly at request of users.

PROPOSED OPERATIONS FOR FY 04: Maintenance dredging scheduled. Funding in the amount of \$2,742,000 was eliminated by OMB and replaced with lower SWD priority Homeland Security and Hydropower work packages.

ISSUES AND OTHER INFORMATION: Last maintenance dredging contract completed Jul 01. Normal dredging cycle is 2 years. Channel is currently shoaling, but not yet critical. Recreation window extends from March through Labor Day each year. Expect to begin next contract right after Labor Day of 2003.

LOCAL SPONSOR: The City of Texas City

CONGRESSIONAL INTEREST: Senators **Cornyn** and **Hutchison**, (TX)
Congressman Lampson (TX-9)

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