



Winooski River Montpelier, Vermont Flood Damage Reduction Study

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DESCRIPTION

In 1996, lack of non-federal support prevented the study from moving into the feasibility phase. However, as a result of a potentially serious freezeup ice jam event in January 2006, the City of Montpelier, VT has renewed interest in carrying the study forward into the feasibility phase. The NY District has held several meetings with the City and the State of Vermont (the State) to discuss current problems, opportunities, and constraints and what differences exist between current conditions and conditions that existed at the time the 1994 Reconnaissance Study Report was completed.

AUTHORIZATION:

The reconnaissance study on flood damage reduction in the City of Montpelier, Vermont (the City) was authorized under Section 309(l) of the Water Resources Development Act of 1992.

STATUS:

A Reconnaissance Study was completed in 1994. Alternatives involving ice piers were ranked highest during the 1994 Reconnaissance Report and will be reviewed in greater detail during the feasibility phase. A Feasibility Cost Sharing Agreement was executed in February 2010. A majority of existing conditions data has been collected. Surveys will be completed this fall with hydrologic and hydraulic model updates happening concurrently. A meeting is scheduled for September to discuss possible flood risk management measures. The total cost of the feasibility study is \$1.5M and is cost shared, 50/50, with the City of Montpelier and the State of Vermont.



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Congressional Interest: Sen. Patrick Leahy, VT; Sen. Bernard Sanders, VT; Rep. Peter Welch, VT- At Large