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New York District

STEELE CREEK, Village of Ilion, NY

Flood Damage Reduction Study

FACT SHEET

DESCRIPTION: The study area is approximately 9 miles east of Utica, New York in the Village of Ilion. The study area lies along the lower section of Steele Creek, a tributary of the Mohawk River. Frequent flooding occurs along Steele Creek, in the Village of Ilion due to flows, which exceed the existing channel's capacity. The heavy flows occur as a result of ice jams, which form at the bridges. The principal damage areas lie on the right bank of the waterway and include many residential and commercial structures. The purpose of this study is to investigate ways to reduce flood hazards and associated urban damages from ice jams. The study also seeks to maintain fish and wildlife resources of the existing stream, significant cultural attributes of sites found within potential project boundaries, and water quality of the stream in this area.

AUTHORIZATION: Section 205 of the Flood Control Act of 1948, as amended [33U.S.C.701(s)].

STATUS: On 25 March 1999, the New York District signed a Feasibility Cost Sharing Agreement (FCSA) with the New York Department of Environmental Conservation (NYDEC).

The draft report was completed in December 2004. The draft report was made available to the public for a period of 30 days, May 26th – June 26th. The Fulmer Creek and Moyer Creek feasibility reports were released concurrently. Public comments are currently being incorporated into the report. The final report was completed in FY2005. The selected plan, proposed to construct an ice control structure and remove of the Ogee Weir.

Current real estate issues have plans continuation of the plans and specifications is on hold until the issue is resolved. Schedule for completion of plans and specifications and construction are contingent upon resolution of this issue.

PROJECT COST:

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| Estimated Federal Cost | \$1,150,000 |
| Estimated Non-Federal Cost | \$1,150,000 |
| Total | \$2,300,000 |

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