



Anacostia Watershed Restoration, Prince George's County, MD

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FACT SHEET as of February 1, 2015

AUTHORIZATION: House Committee on Public Works and Transportation resolution, dated September 8, 1988

TYPE OF PROJECT: Ecosystem Restoration

CONTRIBUTION TO CHESAPEAKE BAY: Directly contributes to achieving protection and restoration goals established by the 2009 Executive Order 13508 and 2014 Chesapeake Bay Program Agreement to restore clean water, recover habitat, and sustain fish and wildlife.

PROJECT PHASE: Feasibility

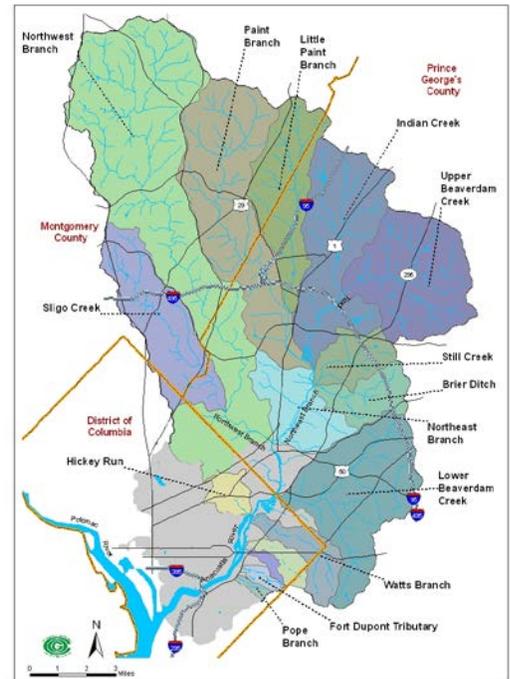
CONGRESSIONAL INTEREST: Senators **Mikulski and Cardin (MD)**; Representatives Norton (DC-01), Sarbanes (MD-03), **Edwards (MD-04)**, **Hoyer (MD-05)**, and Van Hollen (MD-08)

NON-FEDERAL SPONSORS: Prince George's County Department of Environmental Restoration

BACKGROUND: The entire Anacostia River watershed consists of 14 major subwatersheds and the tidal portion, all located within the metropolitan Washington, DC region. The watershed encompasses approximately 176 square miles in Montgomery and Prince George's Counties, Maryland, and the District of Columbia.

One of the most urbanized watersheds within the Chesapeake Bay basin, the Anacostia watershed reflects a system that has suffered from years of environmental neglect although major restoration efforts since 1987 are beginning to improve conditions. USACE worked with stakeholders to develop a restoration plan to protect, improve and restore the watershed by identifying specific restoration strategies to be implemented by USACE and/or stakeholders in the near future. The culmination of this planning effort was the February 2010 Anacostia Restoration Plan.

Following up on the 2010 plan, both Montgomery County and Prince George's County expressed interest in pursuing USACE implementation for restoration opportunities in their respective jurisdictions. The Baltimore District received \$173K to develop project management plans and negotiate feasibility cost-sharing agreements for two separate feasibility studies, one for each county. The feasibility studies are cost-shared 50-50 with the local jurisdiction providing its 50-percent share in cash, in-kind services, or a combination of both. Follow-on implementation would be expected to fall under USACE's ecosystem restoration mission, which currently has a 65-35 cost-sharing.



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STATUS: The feasibility cost-sharing agreement was signed on January 13, 2014. The SMART Planning compliant study is underway.

BUDGET (\$):

	<u>Investigations</u>	
	<u>RECON</u>	<u>FEASIBILITY</u>
<u>Total Estimated Cost</u>	\$83,794 ¹	\$1,994,000
Federal Cost Estimate	83,794	997,000
Non-Federal Cost Estimate	0	997,000
 <u>Federal Funds Data</u>		
Allocation thru FY 2013	78,794	247,000
Allocation for FY 2014	5,000	500,000
President Budget FY 2015 ²	0	250,000
Allocation for FY 2015 ³	0	TBD
Balance to Complete ⁴	0	0

NOTES:

¹ The scoping of two feasibility studies were funded with this amount – one for Montgomery County and one for Prince George's County.

² The President typically sends the budget to Congress in February each year. Upon release, budget amounts for the USACE Civil Works programs and specified projects are posted online at the HQUSACE website in a program budget press book at <http://www.usace.army.mil/Missions/CivilWorks/Budget.apsx>.

³ The final FY 2015 allocation amounts will be made available upon final approval pursuant to the Energy and Water Appropriations Act's continuing funding requirements.

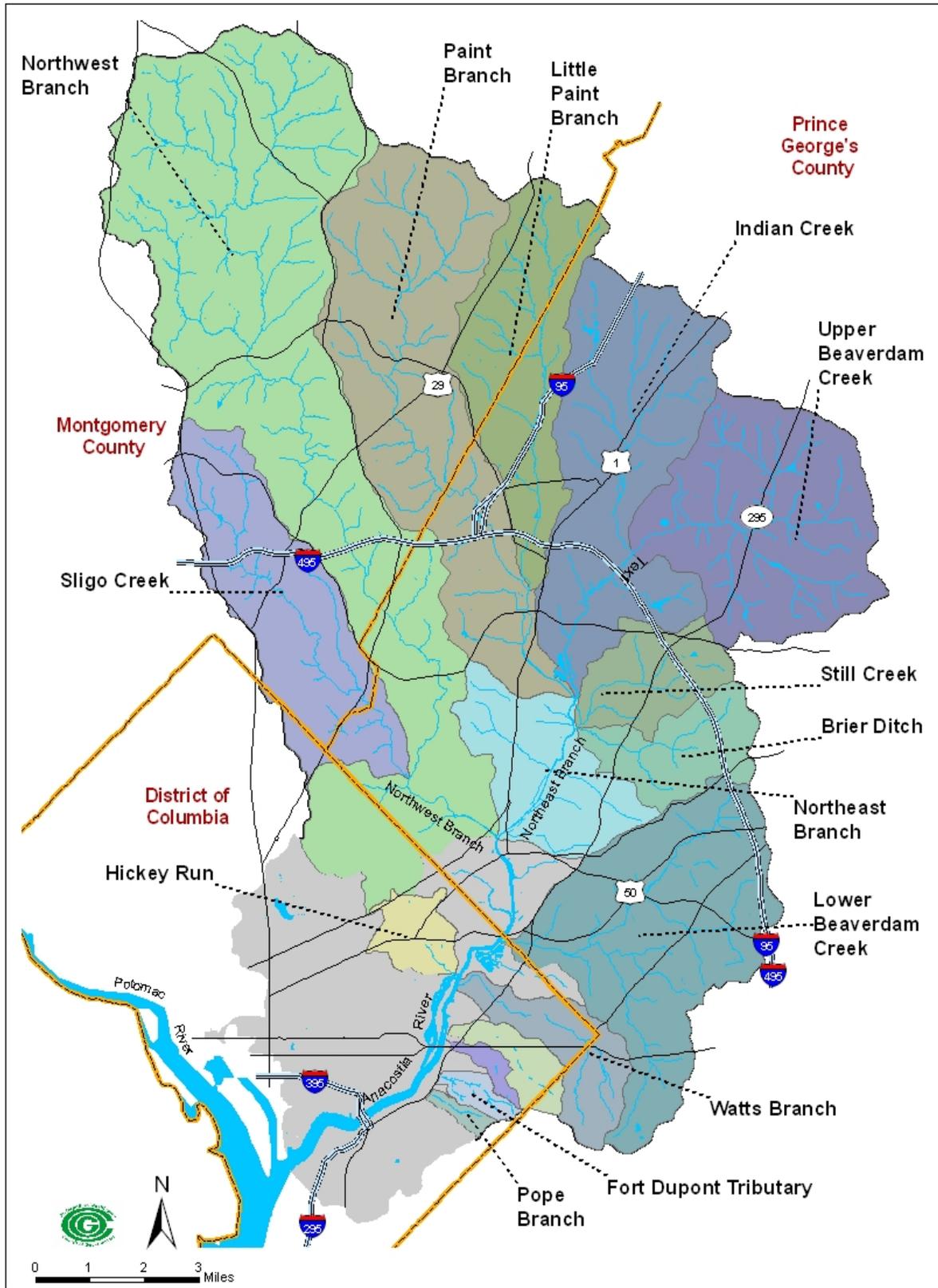
SCHEDULE:

FY 2014 Completed Work: With funds received, executed the feasibility study cost-sharing agreement in January 2014 and began the feasibility study. Study efforts included data collection and problem identification. The SMART Planning alternatives milestone meeting was completed on June 3, 2014.

FY 2015 Scheduled Work: Previous year carry-in funds in the amount of \$552K and the anticipated fiscal 2015 allocations will be used to continue study activities including concept design, development of existing conditions narrative, completing the draft report and the tentatively selected plan and agency decision SMART Planning milestones.

COMPLETION: With current funding, the feasibility phase can be completed in 2017.

For more information regarding the Anacostia Watershed Restoration, Prince George's County, MD project, please contact Kimberly Gross, CENAB-PP-C, (410) 962-3457, Kimberly.u.gross@usace.army.mil



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