

Sandy Run, Bedford County, PA

U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS FACT SHEET as of February 1, 2015

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<u>AUTHORIZATION:</u> Continuing Authorities Program, Section 206 of the Water Resources Development Act of 1996, as amended

TYPE OF PROJECT: Aquatic Ecosystem Restoration

CONTRIBUTION TO CHESAPEAKE BAY: Directly contributes to achieving protection and restoration goals established by the 2009 Executive Order 13508 and the 2014 Chesapeake Bay Program Agreement by restoring clean water, and recovering vital habitat.

PROJECT PHASE: Feasibility

CONGRESSIONAL INTEREST: Senators **Casey** and **Toomey** (PA); Congressman **Shuster** (PA-09)

NON-FEDERAL SPONSOR: Broad Top Township,

Bedford County, PA



BACKGROUND: Broad Top Township in Bedford County, PA requested an investigation by the Baltimore District, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) to determine the feasibility of restoring four acid mine drainage discharge sites along Sandy Run. This tributary of the Raystown Branch of the Juniata River flows into the Susquehanna River, and ultimately into the Chesapeake Bay.

The 2001 report, *Six Mile, Sandy and Longs Run Watersheds AMD Assessment and Remediation Plan,* described existing conditions within the watershed, including field survey and water quality sampling data. A total of 80 discharges were identified, with 23 found along Sandy Run, affecting about eight miles of stream. The Sponsor has already completed work on some of the discharges identified in the Remediation Plan but requires assistance in order to continue making progress on the restoration effort.

The overall goal of this project is to restore four discharges located in confined areas, two of which have very high flow rates. This work will connect the upper stream reaches to Longs Run, this has been restored. The specific objectives for this study are to reduce acid/metal concentration within Sandy Run so they do not exceed acceptable thresholds.

STATUS: Due to the Continuing Authority Program (CAP) process improvements, all non-cost shared feasibility studies stopped all work (as of 09/30/2013) to negotiate and execute a Feasibility Cost Sharing Agreement (FSCA). In fiscal 2014 the Baltimore District has heard back from the non-Federal sponsor that they are financially unable to enter into the FCSA at this time. The Baltimore District will follow up with the sponsor to determine if there is still interest in pursuing or terminating the project in fiscal 2015.

BUDGET:

Construction

	<u>Feasibility</u>
Total Estimated Cost	\$318,729
Federal Cost Estimate	\$318,729
Non-Federal Cost Estimate	\$0

Federal Funds Data	
Allocations thru FY 2013	\$365,979
Allocation for FY 2014	\$ -47,250
President Budget FY 2015 ¹	\$0
Allocation for FY 2015 ²	\$0
Balance to Complete	\$0

NOTES:

SCHEDULE:

FY 2014 Completed Work: None.

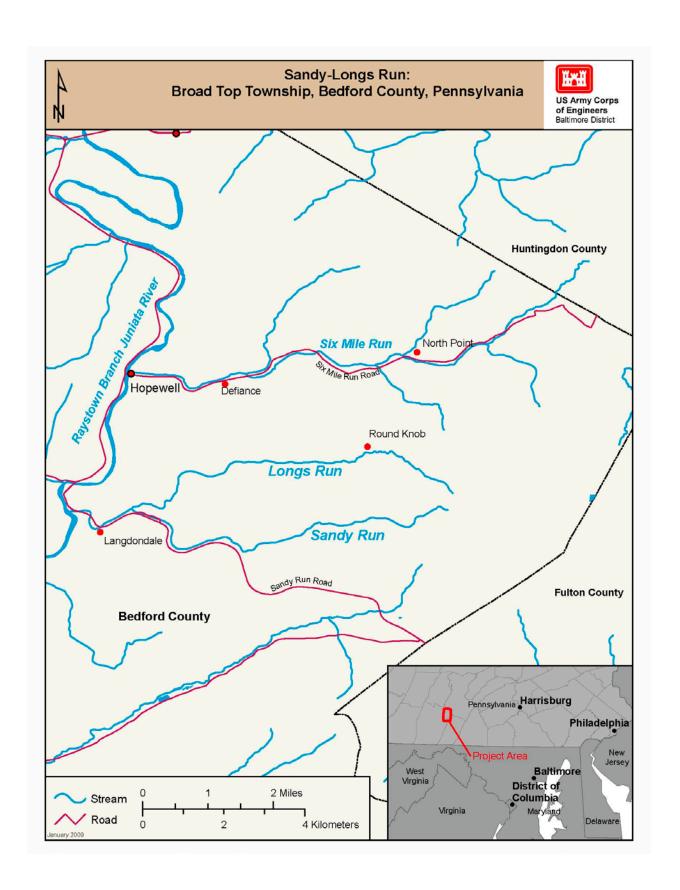
<u>FY 2015 Scheduled Work:</u> The Baltimore District will follow up with the sponsor to determine if there is still interest in pursuing or terminating the study.

COMPLETION: With optimum non-Federal funding and execution of an FCSA the feasibility phase can be completed in fiscal 2016.

For more information: Regarding the Sandy Run feasibility study, contact Mr. Anthony Clark, CENAB-PL-P, (410)962-3413, or e-mail anthony.a.clark@usace.army.mil.

¹ 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.aspx.

²The final FY 2015 allocation amounts will be made available upon final approval pursuant to the Energy and Water Appropriations Act's continuing funding requirements.



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