

Fiscal Year 2011 Requests for Energy and Water Appropriations

26 March 2010

Project: Chickamauga Lock – Construction

Organization: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers – Nashville Division

Location: Chattanooga, TN

Date Requested: March 26, 2010

Amount Requested: \$26,000,000

Purpose of Request: The funding for this project would be used to continue construction on the Chickamauga Lock located just north of Chattanooga. The current Lock moves 2.4 million tons of cargo up and down the Tennessee River every year, and has an unmet cargo demand of over 4.3 million tons annually. Because cargo traffic currently carried by truck could be transported by water after this project is complete, this project would take more than 100,000 tractor trailer trucks off I-75 between Chattanooga and Knoxville each year.

This project also is being requested by Senator Lamar Alexander.

Project: Pigeon Industrial Harbor Project

Organization: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers – Memphis Division

Location: Memphis, TN

Date Requested: March 26, 2010

Amount Requested: \$250,000

Purpose of Request: Funding for this project would be used to support dredging activities by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers at Pigeon Industrial Harbor in Memphis. This would allow barges to load and offload cargo at the harbor.

This project also is being requested by U.S. Senator Lamar Alexander.

Project: Center Hill Dam

Organization: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers – Nashville Division

Location: DeKalb County, TN

Date Requested: March 26, 2010

Amount Requested: \$77,800,000

Purpose of Request: Funding would be used to permanently repair the Center Hill Dam. Since its construction in 1951, seepage problems have cost millions of dollars for constant upkeep. The Corps' Dam Safety Portfolio Risk Assessment ranked Center Hill Dam as a Class I dam safety project -- the highest priority of all Corps dams.

This project also is being requested by U.S. Senator Lamar Alexander.

Project: Wolf Creek Dam

Organization: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers – Nashville Division

Location: Russell County, KY

Date Requested: March 26, 2010

Amount Requested: \$134,000,000

Purpose of Request: Funding would be used to repair the Wolf Creek Dam. Seepage has caused zones of high water pressure in the embankment next to the dam, posing a significant risk of dam failure and threatening the surrounding communities with flooding. Funding would be used to continue to build a cutoff wall to prevent seepage into the embankment.

This project is also being requested by U.S. Senator Lamar Alexander.