



US Army Corps
of Engineers

Great Lakes Fishery and Ecosystem Restoration (GLFER) Program

Project Location: Projects are located within the Great Lakes Basin in the states of Michigan, Illinois, Indiana, Minnesota, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, and Wisconsin.

Project Description: The purpose of the GLFER program is to plan, implement, and evaluate projects supporting the restoration of the fishery, ecosystem, and beneficial uses of the Great Lakes in cooperation with other Federal, state and local agencies, tribes, and the Great Lakes Fishery Commission (GLFC). The GLFER implementation plan established a Project Review Committee, consisting of representatives from across the basin and led by the GLFC, to assist the Corps in evaluating and developing projects. This project is authorized under Section 506 of WRDA 2000 (PL 106-541), as amended - Great Lakes Fishery and Ecosystem Restoration (GLFER).

Non-federal Partner: Individual projects are locally sponsored

Project Benefits: A wide range of environmental projects could be executed under this program, including riparian habitat and wetland restoration, dam removal to reestablish free flowing tributaries, construction of fish passage over existing structures, improving spawning and nursery habitat, erosion and sedimentation control, and construction of facilities to preserve historic fish stocks.

Project Status: Numerous potential projects have been coordinated with a project review committee comprised of Federal, state and tribal resource agencies. Preliminary restoration plans (PRPs) have been approved for several projects. WRDA 2007 amended the program authority to provide for reconnaissance efforts at full Federal funding and to allow for project sponsors to fulfill 100% of their cost sharing requirements via in-kind services.



Estimated Project Costs	
Federal	100,000,000
Non-Federal	53,846,000
Total	153,846,000

Project Milestones

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