

O&M JUSTIFICATION SHEET

APPROPRIATION TITLE: Operation and Maintenance

PROJECT NAME: Alabama River Lakes, AL

AUTHORIZATION: River and Harbor Act of 1945

LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: This multiple purpose project is part of the Alabama-Coosa-Tallapoosa (ACT) River System and includes a 9 X 300 foot navigation channel that extends from the mouth of the Alabama River, some 45 miles north of Mobile, Alabama, for 300 miles northeast to Montgomery, Alabama, where it connects with the Coosa River. The Coosa River extends northeast another 286 miles to a point near Rome, GA. This project includes O&M funding for three projects located on the Alabama River; Claiborne, Millers Ferry and Robert F. Henry Locks and Dams.

ALLOCATION FOR FY 2012: T: \$12.733m

BUDGET FOR FY 2013: M: \$5.694m O: \$9.232m T: \$14.926m

ESTIMATED CARRY-IN: \$0 TO BE USED IN FY 2013: 1/

1/ Estimated Unobligated "Carry-in" Funding: As of the date this justification sheet was prepared, the total unobligated dollars estimated to be carried into the Program Year (PY) from prior appropriations for use on this study / project effort is \$ _____. This amount, together with the Budget Amount shown above, will be used to perform work on the PY study / project as follows: (provide a brief description of how the unobligated carry-in funds will be used here).

DESCRIPTIONS OF WORK AND JUSTIFICATIONS (by Business Line) FOR FY 2013:

N: \$2,025,000 will provide caretaker operation for locks and spillway gate regulation to maintain pool at proper levels to prevent flooding and/or head limits at upstream dam. Funds will also be used to survey the navigation channel.

FRM: \$610,000 will be used to provide maintenance of the structures and equipment associated with the controlled release and storage of water.

RC: \$3,029,000 will be used for operation and maintenance of recreation facilities on Alabama River Lakes including campgrounds, day use parks, fishing decks and boat ramp facilities. This is to maintain a level of service that will ensure safe recreation experiences and clean, orderly facilities.

H: \$8,592,000 will be used for routine preventative maintenance to meet goals by limiting forced outages and maximizing peak unit availability, to collect water management data, and for dam safety.

EN: \$670,000 will be used to protect fee-owned lands and waters against encroachments, and loss due to fire, pests and timber theft; to monitor boundary lines; and to respond to real estate requests. Other activities include intensive land maintenance and enhancement for wildlife and cultural resources investigations.

WS: N/A

OTHER INFORMATION: Two hydropower plants on the project provide a critical contribution to our nation's power grid. Recreation areas and associated economic activity are major contributors to quality of life for the citizens in one of the most economically disadvantaged regions of the United States.

There is a legal obligation to complete the ACT Water Control Manual.