

Federal - Kansas River Basin Study Approved

As part of its FY 2019 Work Plan, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) recently announced authorization of \$1.5 million in federal funds for the “Kansas River Reservoirs Flood and Sediment Study”. It is anticipated that the study will be completed over five years, with total funding of \$3 million and a required 25 percent non-federal/sponsor cost share. The overall purpose of the study is to cooperatively investigate water resource problems and opportunities in the Kansas River Basin, and to recommend comprehensive long term solutions. Previous discussions regarding the general scope of study have included the evaluation of the Kansas River Basin system operating plan, lake operations and manuals, lake facilities and features, conditions upstream and downstream of the lakes, infrastructure, and other related needs in the system.

Next steps include the execution of a Feasibility Cost Sharing Agreement (FCSA) and the development of a Project Management Plan.