

This is really a mitigation project to rectify damages caused by silt from previous federally constructed projects, in the Chief's view.

Mr. JOHNSON. Now, including the area redevelopment benefits, what is the actual amount of money? Where is that in the report?

Colonel HALL. I am sorry, sir, but I did not get your question.

Mr. JOHNSON. I noticed how much is listed as being area redevelopment benefits. I do not see it listed here as spelled out.

Colonel HALL. Sir, while we are seeking the answer to that question, may I express the views of the Secretary of the Army?

Mr. JOHNSON. Please do.

Colonel HALL. The Secretary of the Army concurs with the views of the Bureau of the Budget and recommends amending the requirements of local cooperation to provide that non-Federal interests also operate, maintain, and make major replacement of works; and hold and save free from damages due to construction, operation, maintenance, and replacement of works.

The Secretary also recommends that no further improvements be made at Federal expense for mitigation of damages caused by silt-laden flows.

Mr. Chairman, this concludes my statement.

Mr. CLAUSEN. Will you yield, Mr. Chairman?

Mr. JOHNSON. Yes.

Mr. CLAUSEN. Have you had communication with the so-called local sponsors and, if so, what has been their response to the acceptance of this recommendation?

Colonel HALL. We have not had formal communication with the local assuring bodies of local cooperation requirements as expressed by the Secretary and the Bureau of the Budget.

Mr. CLAUSEN. So, in effect, on this particular recommendation, based upon the suggestion of the Bureau of the Budget and the Secretary of the Army, for all practical purposes sponsorship requirements have not been met.

Colonel HALL. We have not received formal assurances on that basis.

Mr. CLAUSEN. As of today.

Colonel HALL. As of today, that is correct. They have not been asked for, however. With respect to the benefits for ARA benefits, its annual benefits are \$66,000, Mr. Chairman. Some of the benefits are shown in table 6 in the district engineer's report.

Mr. JOHNSON. We have finally located it.

Colonel HALL. I had a little difficulty, too.

Mr. CLAUSEN. Have you calculated the overall percentage of flood control benefits as relates to other increments?

Colonel HALL. Flood damage reduction benefits are 12 percent of the total.

Mr. CLAUSEN. And I see that you have no benefits in the M. & I. category.

Colonel HALL. No, sir.

Mr. CLAUSEN. There would be no use for the water.

Colonel HALL. Additional storage or impoundment is not involved for M. & I. purposes. It is mainly for recreational purposes.

Mr. CLAUSEN. Irrigation?

Colonel HALL. No, sir. You see, Lake Chicot is a lake really surrounded by built-up areas, including Lake Village, Ark.