

**U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Chicago District  
Offsite Mitigation Options - May 2006**

There are a number of options which can be considered by a permit applicant to satisfy mitigation requirements if the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Chicago District (District) determines that offsite mitigation, rather than preferred onsite mitigation, is appropriate for a particular project. Mitigation is normally accomplished in the same watershed where the impacts from the proposed project occur. There are two general types of offsite mitigation options which can be considered: wetland mitigation banks, and other reasonable site-specific actions that involve wetland restoration, creation and/or enhancement. The District alone has authority to determine acceptable compensatory mitigation proposals associated with permitted activities.

**Wetland Mitigation Banks**

Wetland mitigation banks provide wetland credits for sale and may have credits available for sale at any time. Provided below are the currently authorized banks, by watershed, including points of contact.

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<u>Watershed</u>	<u>Bank Name</u>	<u>Controlling Entity</u>	<u>Watershed</u>	<u>Bank Name</u>	<u>Controlling Entity</u>
Des Plaines	Cricket Creek	County of DuPage Dept. of Env. Concerns 421 N. County Farm Road Wheaton, IL 60187 (630) 682-7441	Kishwaukee	Kiswaukee	EcoLogic Planning
	Bank #1	Wetland Research, Inc.		Bottoms	4250 W. Tanglewood Drive Bloomington, IN 47404 Steve Weller (812) 935-7078
	Bank #2	53 W. Jackson Blvd. Chicago, IL 60604	Lake Michigan/ Chicago River/ Calumet River	Girl Scouts	Encap, Inc.
	Bank #4	Donald Hey (312) 922-0777		North Branch	12950 State Rt 38 Dekalb, IL 60115 Mark Southern (815)758-1621 Jane Carter(847) 741-5521
	Butterfield Rd	Land and Water Resources		Sauk Trail	EcoLogic Planning
Mink Creek	9575 W. Higgins Rd. Rosemont, IL 60018 John Ryan (847) 692-7170	Fox River		4250 W. Tanglewood Drive Bloomington, IN 47404 Steve Weller (812) 935-7078	
Lily Cache			Slough Creek	EcoLogic Planning	
DP-Towpath	EcoLogic Planning 4250 W. Tanglewood Drive Bloomington, IN 47404 Steve Weller (812) 935-7078	Kankakee		4250 W. Tanglewood Drive Bloomington, IN 47404 Steve Weller (812) 935-7078	
Delaney Rd	Wetlands Mitigation of Illinois		Ferson Creek	Land and Water Resources	
Redwing Sl.	9575 W. Higgins Rd. Rosemont, IL 60018 John Ryan (847) 692-7170 Steve Weller (812) 935-7078		Jelks Creek	9575 W. Higgins Rd. Rosemont, IL 60018 John Ryan (847) 692-7170	
Cedar Creek			Squaw Creek	Wetlands Mitigation of Illinois	
				9575 W. Higgins Rd. Rosemont, IL 60018 John Ryan (847) 692-7170 Steve Weller (812) 935-7078	
			Big Sag	Big Sag Wetland Cons. P.O. Box 766 Grayslake, IL 60030 Steve Torres (847)223-5700	

**Other Site-Specific Projects or Actions**

A final option includes projects and/or mitigation opportunities sought out by the prospective permittee. There are many resource

management organizations, both government and non-government, that would welcome assistance in their own wetland restoration, creation and/or enhancement projects. The Corps will consider any reasonable proposal which can provide offsite mitigation to compensate for impacts to resource functions as a result of a permitted project.