

How does the process start?

The Corps may begin a Section 206 or 1135 study after it receives a formal letter of request from the prospective sponsoring community. A sample letter of request is included on the back of this brochure.

The letter of request and any other inquiries about the Section 206 Aquatic Ecosystem Restoration Program or Section 1135, Modifications of Corps Projects to Improve the Quality of Fish and Wildlife Habitat, should be sent to the address below.

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Alaska District ATTN: CEPOA-PM-C-PL P.O. Box 6898 Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson, Anchorage, AK 99506-0898 Email: POA.AKCAP@usace.army.mil

Sample letter to request a study

District Commander Alaska District, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers ATTN: CEPOA-PM-C-PL P.O. Box 6898 Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson, AK 99506-0898

Dear Sir:

This letter is to request the assistance of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers under Section 206 of the Water Resources Development Act of 1996, Aquatic Ecosystem Restoration, or Section 1135 of WRDA 1886, Modifications of Corps Projects to Improve the Quality of Fish and Wildlife Habitat, in planning and designing a project for ecosystem restoration at (location) in (city or town, etc.).

Briefly described the potential project, why it is being requested, its approximate size, and any specific problems or needs.

We understand we would be required to pay the non-Federal cost share for both planning studies and project implementation.

Thank you for considering this request. Please contact (name, address, phone, email) for more information.

Sincerely,

Name Title





Alaska District U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

Section 206 and Section 1135 Ecosystem Restoration Programs

Under the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Continuing Authorities Program (CAP), Section 206 of the Water Resources Development Act (WRDA) of 1996, Aquatic Ecosystem Restoration, provides authority for projects that restore degraded ecosystem function and values (including hydrology and plant and animal communities, or portions of them) to a less degraded ecological condition.

Section 1135 of WRDA 1886, Modifications of Corps Projects to Improve the Quality of Fish and Wildlife Habitat provides the authority to modify the structure or operation of an existing Corps project.



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What the Corps of Engineers can do

Projects under Section 206 should restore degraded ecosystem functions and values, including hydrology and plant and animal communities or portions of them, to a less degraded ecological condition. Examples of aquatic ecosystem restoration projects might include enabling salmon to reach blocked spawning grounds, enhancing nesting territory for waterfowl, or restoring flow to a degraded stream. The maximum Federal limit is \$10 million per project, including study costs. The Corps pays for the initial \$100,000 of the study cost, with the remaining cost shared 50/50 with the non-Federal sponsor. Implementation costs are shared 65 percent Federal, 35 percent non-Federal with the non-Federal sponsor.

Projects under Section 1135 should concentrate on engineering and other technical solutions because these projects must modify the structure or operation of an existing Corps project. The maximum Federal limit is \$10 million per project, including study costs. The Corps pays for the initial \$100,000 of the study cost, with the remaining cost shared 50/50 with the non-Federal sponsor. Implementation costs are shared 75 percent Federal, 25 percent non-Federal with the non-Federal sponsor.





Fast Facts About Sections 206 and 1135

	Section 206	Section 1135
Project Purpose	Restore aquatic habitat for fish and wildlife	Restore fish or wildlife habitat impacted by an existing Corps project
Who May Sponsor	Public agency (e.g. city, state) , some private interests or large non-profit organization	Same as Section 206
Maximum Federal Cost	\$10 million, including planning studies	Same as Section 206
Sponsors Responsibilities	Acquire needed land, easements, rights-of-way etc; operate and maintain project; and be willing and able to provide non-Federal cost share.	Same as Section 206
Cost Sharing	50% planning after first \$100,000 Federal; 65% Federal, 35% non- Federal implementation costs	50% planning after first \$100,000 Federal; 75% Federal, 25% non-Federal implementation costs