

Elliott Ditch Project Update

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CEC Project No.: 172-367

On behalf of Arconic Lafayette, LLC, Civil & Environmental Consultants, Inc. (CEC) is pleased to provide this status update regarding the Elliott Ditch Project. As a reminder, project status updates will be provided weekly during clean-up activities and quarterly during non-clean-up activities, at a minimum. These updates will be posted on the Updates section of the Elliott Ditch Project Website (<http://elliottditchproject.cecinc.com/updates.aspx>).

- By-passing of Elliott Ditch in Upper Reach 1 (from the intersection of Concord Rd and Brady Ln to the Norfolk Southern railroad crossing) is complete. Backfill activities within Upper Reach 1 of Elliott Ditch are complete.
- Disturbed areas in Upper Reach 1 were restored (i.e., topsoil installation, seed, and straw). Tree planting activities will be initiated following completion of project activities in accordance with the Habitat Mitigation Plan.
- Excavation activities in Lower Reach 1, downstream of the Norfolk Southern railroad crossing, and Reach 2, from the abandoned Norfolk Southern railroad crossing to the South 18th Street Bridge are complete. Additionally, both soil and sediment areas in Lower Reach 1 and Reach 2 have been backfilled and restored.
- Sediment excavation activities in Reach 3 on Duke Energy's property, off of Ortman Lane, will begin the week of September 6th. Backfill and restoration will begin once excavation is complete.
- Arconic has secured the following permits, which can be found by visiting the project repository at <http://elliottditchproject.cecinc.com/repository.aspx>:
 - United States Army Corp of Engineers Nationwide Permit 38;
 - Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM) 401 Water Quality Certification;
 - IDEM NPDES Temporary Discharge General Permit;
 - NPDES General Construction Stormwater, Rule #5 Permit; and,
 - Indiana Department of Natural Resources (IDNR) Construction in a Floodway Permit.
- The Interim Measures Work Plan (IMWP) summarizing this phase of the cleanup project can be found by visiting the project repository, or on IDEM's virtual file cabinet (<https://vfc.idem.in.gov/>, Document No. 83081121).
 - U.S. EPA issued approval of the IMWP in May 26, 2021.
 - IDEM issued approval of the IMWP on June 10, 2021

Should you have questions or concerns, please call the Elliott Ditch Hotline at 317-613-4514, or send an email to elliottditchquestions@gmail.com.

Photographs:



Photograph 1: Lower Reach 1 Restoration – seeded with straw cover