

# CONTINUING AUTHORITIES PROGRAM (CAP)

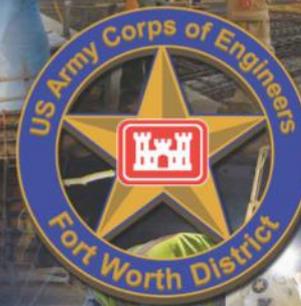
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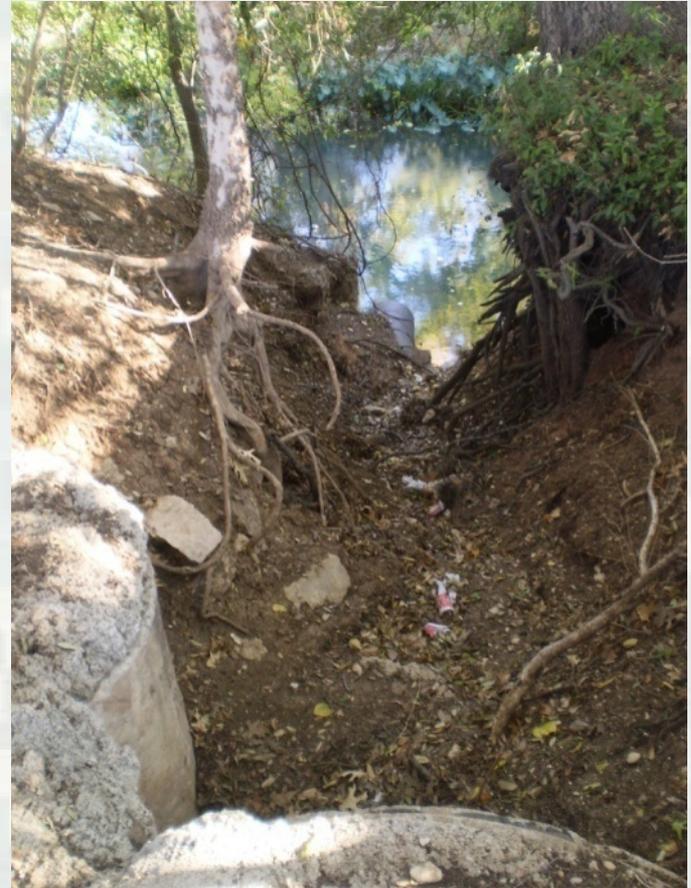
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CAP provides substantial federal support for:

- Flood-damage reduction
- Erosion control
- Ecosystem restoration
- Multipurpose projects that also include recreation, water supply and education components



# What CAP can do



**Little Fossil Creek, Haltom City**

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From this

To this



Pecan Creek  
Gainesville

Cut flood risk, expanded urban greenbelt in master plan



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## 7 advantages of CAP

- ✓ No new congressional authorization required
- ✓ Preliminary site investigation uses 100% federal funds
- ✓ First \$100,000 of study is 100% federally funded
- ✓ Construction at least 65% federal; can total \$10 million
- ✓ Local match can include real estate, in kind work
- ✓ Seeks creative green solutions
- ✓ Partners with community to build great projects



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## Keep CAP in your water resources tool kit

Is it a good fit? Here are the 4 authorities:

**Section 14 Steambank Erosion Protection** to prevent damage to existing public, non-profit or historic facilities

**Section 205 Local Flood Damage Protection** using construction or improvement of flood control works

**Section 206 Aquatic Ecosystem Restoration** to improve environmental quality in cost-effective ways in the public interest

**Section 1135: Environmental Restoration** to improve ecosystem quality degraded by Corps-built structures



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## Jefferson

Section 14, Streambank  
Erosion Protection



## Haltom City

Section 205, Local Flood  
Damage Reduction



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**San Marcos**  
Section 206  
Aquatic Ecosystem  
Restoration



Protect Texas wild-rice



Remove invasive species



**Lake Lewisville-Frisco**  
Section 1135  
Environmental  
Restoration



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## CAP 6-step process:

1. Local sponsor sends letter outlining problem, requesting assistance
2. Corps visits site, determines if it is a suitable CAP candidate
3. Sponsor & Corps outline scope of study needed; sign Cost Sharing Agreement to fund it



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## CAP 6-step process (continued):

4. Upon completion of 12 to 18-month study, Sponsor & Corps sign Project Partnership Agreement to design and build project with budget, cost-share outlined
5. Corps prepares plans and specifications in collaboration with local community interests; the Sponsor completes real estate acquisition
6. Corps awards construction contract, typically 24-36 since process began



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## Next steps

- ✓ Consider water resource issues facing your community
- ✓ Contact Program Manager Jon Loxley for more information  
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# Questions?

