FACT SHEET Big Fishweir Creek, FL (206) Construction (C) Congressional District: 4,5

1. DESCRIPTION

Big Fishweir Creek is an urban tributary of the St. Johns River, approximately 4 miles south of downtown Jacksonville. Big Fishweir Creek enters the St. Johns River (An American Heritage River) just north of the Ortega River, and is considered Essential Fish Habitat. This tributary is tidally influenced. The contributing sub-basin to Big Fishweir Creek has been urbanized predominantly with residential land use, much of it occurring prior to promulgation of storm water regulations. Therefore, limited storm water management has been implemented in the sub-basin, resulting in sediment deposition in the creek. Urbanization included encroachment along the banks of the creek. Over time, sediments transported by storm events have covered the natural creek bottom. The sediment deposition and encroachment from urbanization have reduced the natural habitat in the creek and along the creek banks. The purpose of this Sectoin 206 CAP project is to reestablish healthy aquatic habitat in Big Fishweir Creek. The reestablishment of healthy aquatic habitat in Big Fishweir Creek. The reestablishment of healthy aquatic habitat in Big Fishweir Creek.

2. FUNDING

Estimated Total Cost	\$6,252,537
Estimated Federal Cost	\$4,064,149
Allocation thru FY 16	\$0
Allocation for FY17	\$0

3. SPONSOR

City of Jacksonville, Department of Public Works 117 West Duval Street Jacksonville, Florida 32202

4. <u>STATUS</u>

Funds have been appropriated in the City of Jacksonville FY17 budget to recoup spent costs for the completion of the feasibility study and to initiate design. SAJ is currently working to draft a project partnership agreement (PPA) with plans to execute this agreement by early July 2017. Once executed the PDT will initiate design and permitting which is anticipated to take approximately 12 months to complete. Construction of the project is subject to future appropriations.

