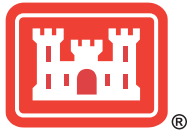


Lock and Dam No. 3 is located 6 miles upstream from Red Wing, Minn., and serves as a link in the Upper Mississippi River water stairway of 29 locks and dams.



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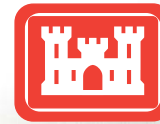
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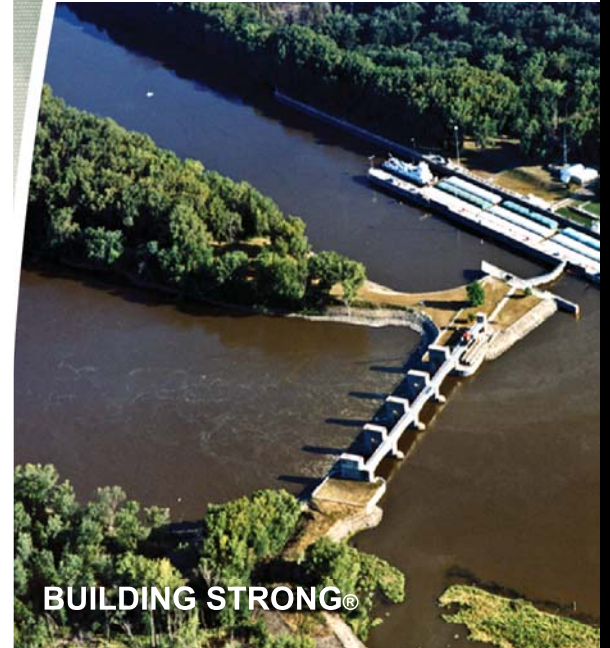
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River Resource

Today, the Corps is actively working with other agencies to protect and to enhance the Mississippi River resources for generations to come. Pool 3, which is the lake created above the dam, serves as an important environmental habitat and resource.

Visitors

Visitors may view lock operations from the observation platform and use the comfort station.

Lock and Dam No. 3

This facility lies on the Upper Mississippi River six miles upstream of Red Wing, Minn. The project includes a lock, dam with moveable gates and a spot dike system to maintain the pool. The Corps of Engineers originally completed the facility in July 1938 as part of the nine foot channel authorization. It serves as one of 29 locks and dams on the Upper Mississippi. In 1991, the Corps completed a major rehabilitation of the structure to provide service well into the future. Today, many types of vessels use the lock which annually passes more than 11 million tons of cargo, including farm products, chemicals and crude materials as the main items shipped. Each year more than 20,000 recreational craft use Lock 3, making it one of the most popular locks on the river. Also, a number of boats involved with fishing tournament utilize the lock.

Balancing Interests

In addition to commercial navigation, the Upper Mississippi River provides a valuable environmental resource and a source of recreational opportunities. The Corps of Engineers partners with other agencies to protect and to enhance Mississippi resources for generations to come. Each year, people enjoy recreational boating and visiting the locks.

