eral interest have not entered a project cooperation agreement on or before the date of enactment of this Act [Dec. 11, 2000]."

#### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1996 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 104–303, title II, §202(c)(2), Oct. 12, 1996, 110 Stat. 3675, provided that: "The amendment made by paragraph (1) [amending this section] shall apply to any project or separable element thereof with respect to which the Secretary and the non-Federal interest have not entered into a project cooperation agreement on or before the date of the enactment of this Act [Oct. 12, 1996]."

REFERENCE TO PROJECT COOPERATION AGREEMENT
DEEMED REFERENCE TO PROJECT PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT

Reference to "project cooperation agreement" deemed to be reference to "project partnership agreement", see section 2003(f)(2) of Pub. L. 110-114, set out as a note under section 1962d-5b of Title 42, The Public Health and Welfare.

#### § 701b-13. Repealed. Pub. L. 113-121, title I, § 1014(c)(3), June 10, 2014, 128 Stat. 1222

Section, Pub. L. 104–303, title II, §211, Oct. 12, 1996, 110 Stat. 3681; Pub. L. 106–53, title II, §223, Aug. 17, 1999, 113 Stat. 296; Pub. L. 106–60, title VI, §606, Sept. 29, 1999, 113 Stat. 501; Pub. L. 110–114, title V, §5157, Nov. 8, 2007, 121 Stat. 1257, related to construction of flood control projects by non-Federal interests.

### § 701b-14. Structural integrity evaluations

#### (a) In general

Upon request of a non-Federal interest, the Secretary shall evaluate the structural integrity and effectiveness of a project for flood damage reduction and, if the Secretary determines that the project does not meet such minimum standards as the Secretary may establish and absent action by the Secretary the project will fail, the Secretary may take such action as may be necessary to restore the integrity and effectiveness of the project.

# (b) Priority

The Secretary shall carry out an evaluation and take such actions as may be necessary under subsection (a) for the project for flood damage reduction, Arkansas River Levees, Arkansas.

(Pub. L. 110–114, title V,  $\S5004$ , Nov. 8, 2007, 121 Stat. 1191.)

## "SECRETARY" DEFINED

Secretary means the Secretary of the Army, see section 2 of Pub. L. 110–114, set out as a note under section 2201 of this title.

# § 701b-15. Non-Federal plans to provide additional flood risk reduction

#### (a) In general

If requested by a non-Federal interest, the Secretary shall carry out a locally preferred plan that provides a higher level of protection than a flood risk management project authorized under this Act if the Secretary determines that—

- (1) the plan is technically feasible and environmentally acceptable; and
- (2) the benefits of the plan exceed the costs of the plan.

#### (b) Non-Federal cost share

If the Secretary carries out a locally preferred plan under subsection (a), the Federal share of the cost of the project shall be not greater than the share as provided by law for elements of the national economic development plan.

(Pub. L. 113–121, title I, §1036, June 10, 2014, 128 Stat. 1234.)

#### REFERENCES IN TEXT

This Act, referred to in subsec. (a), is Pub. L. 113–121, June 10, 2014, 128 Stat. 1193, known as the Water Resources Reform and Development Act of 2014. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 2201 of this title and Tables.

#### "SECRETARY" DEFINED

Secretary means the Secretary of the Army, see section 2 of Pub. L. 113–121, set out as a note under section 2201 of this title.

# § 701b-16. Management of flood risk reduction projects

#### (a) In general

If 2 or more flood control projects are located within the same geographic area, the Secretary shall, at the request of the non-Federal interests for the affected projects, consider those projects as a single program for budgetary or project management purposes, if the Secretary determines that doing so would not be incompatible with the authorized project purposes.

#### (b) Cost share

#### (1) In general

If any work on a project to which subsection (a) applies is required solely because of impacts to that project from a navigation project, the cost of carrying out that work shall be shared in accordance with the costsharing requirements for the navigation project.

# (2) Use of amounts

Work described in paragraph (1) may be carried out using amounts made available under subsection (a).

(Pub. L. 113–121, title III, §3012, June 10, 2014, 128 Stat. 1284.)

# "SECRETARY" DEFINED

Secretary means the Secretary of the Army, see section 2 of Pub. L. 113–121, set out as a note under section 2201 of this title.

### § 701c. Rights-of-way, easements, etc.; acquisition by local authorities; maintenance and operation; protection of United States from liability for damages; requisites to run-off and water-flow retardation and soil erosion prevention assistance

After June 22, 1936, no money appropriated under authority of section 701f of this title shall be expended on the construction of any project until States, political subdivisions thereof, or other responsible local agencies have given assurances satisfactory to the Secretary of the Army that they will (a) provide without cost to the United States all lands, easements, and