



RESOLUTION 1-2026

WHEREAS, the Kankakee River Basin and Yellow River Basin Development Commission (“the Commission”) finds it necessary to remove Lake County Bridge #36 (“State Line Bridge”); and

WHEREAS, the Commission has repeatedly found that State Line Bridge poses a clear flood and human safety hazard; and

WHEREAS, removal of State Line Bridge has been publicly declared to be the top Commission priority for 2026; and

WHEREAS, on June 2, 2026, the Commission’s technical consultants unsealed contractor bids to remove, responsibly disassemble, and store State Line Bridge; and

WHEREAS, as was publicly anticipated as a possibility, the Commission desires to adjust its 2026 budget with the apparent low bid to remove State Line Bridge; and

WHEREAS, in order to ensure that the Commission enters 2027 with a prudent cash surplus, the Commission intends to offset increases in the budget for State Line Bridge removal with offsetting reductions in 2026 budgets; and

WHEREAS, the Commission continually maintains a cash surplus; and

WHEREAS, the Commission concurrently finds it necessary to continue fulfilling vital needs such as channel maintenance and sediment mitigation; and

WHEREAS, the Commission maintains its approved list of current projects and currently intends only to adjust their previous timelines, and

WHEREAS, the Commission will continue to identify and execute savings in State Line Bridge removal costs.

THEREFORE, BE RESOLVED THAT the Commission makes the following changes to its Calendar Year 2026 budget in order to fulfill its current, top priority:

- Add \$900,000 to State Line Bridge Removal
- Add \$50,000 to Channel Maintenance
- Defer \$50,000 in Invasive Species Eradication to Spring 2027
- Reduce 2026 Island Removal Construction by \$125,000
- Defer \$47,500 of Jasper County match payments to the usual payment period of January 2027
- Reduce 2026 Kankakee FWA Construction by \$150,000
- Reduce Sediment Traps by \$25,000
- Reduce 2026 Yellow River, Phase IV Construction by \$400,000
- Reduce 2026 Yellow River, Phase IV Construction Oversight by \$20,000

Prior to the finalization of a construction contract for the removal of State Line Bridge and the issuance of a Notice to Proceed, the Commission also directs its Executive Director and technical consultants to seek reasonable savings related to, among other things, 1) the U.S. Coast Guard's post-bid waiver of jurisdiction over the project; 2) the dispensation of material used for temporary project structures; and 3) reduced costs of regulatory compliance.

ADOPTED BY COMMISSION, June 26, 2026

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