

Quarterly Progress Report
for the Period February 1, 2004, to April 30, 2004

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Activities Undertaken During the Reporting Period

We continued to monitor the progress of construction. The Participating Agency Support Agreement was modified to extend the expiration date from March 31, 2004, to August 31, 2004.

Projected Activities During the Next Quarter

The Corps will make its last field visit prior to August 31, 2004. We are waiting for information from USAID based on an upcoming USAID field inspection to determine the dates for the trip. We anticipate that the visit will occur in late July or early August 2004. We will prepare to fiscally close-out the construction and quality assurance contracts. Any unused funds from the \$217, 915.00 that were transferred to the Corps will be returned to USAID. The funds expire September 30, 2004.

Summary of Expenditures

Expenditures from February 1, 2004, to April 30, 2004 follow.

Line Items	PASA Budget	Current Expenses	Cumulative Expenses	Funds Remaining
Labor	\$81,908.00	\$4,604.79	\$53,926.19	\$27,981.81
Travel	\$50,316.00	\$0.00	\$31,244.05	\$19,071.95
Per Diem	\$23,776.00	\$0.00	\$12,890.97	\$10,885.03
USACE Support and Assistance (S&A)	\$61,915.00	\$9,033.25	\$27,620.51	\$34,294.49
TOTAL	\$217,915.00	\$13,638.04	\$125,681.72	\$92,233.28

Summary of Issues that Need to be Resolved

The water level in the river where the new bridge at PK32 is being constructed has not decreased as fast as expected. An additional time extension to the construction contract may be necessary to give the contractor, ICC, additional time to complete the bridge. The Ministry of Public Works contractor, Colas, has installed a diversion at PK32. However, ICC was installing a Bailey bridge to serve as a diversion at PK32. A reduction in the contract price will have to be negotiated to decrease the overall contract cost because ICC does not need to finish their diversion.