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Kentucky River Lock and Dam #9 Awarded to C. J. Mahan Construction Company, LLC

The Commonwealth of Kentucky, through the Kentucky Finance and Administration Cabinet, has recommended C. J. Mahan Construction Company, LLC be awarded the project for the replacement of Lock and Dam #9 on the Kentucky River, south of Lexington, Kentucky. The Kentucky River Authority is the agency responsible for the oversight of lock and dams #5 through #14 on the Kentucky River. The pool provided by Lock and Dam #9 supplies Lexington with its source of drinking water. The existing lock was originally constructed in the early 1900's and has been modified several times during its lifetime. The most recent project permanently sealed the lock system as the Kentucky River is no longer navigable on this portion of the river.

The new dam consists of 8 circular, cellular sheet pile cofferdams filled with concrete and a drilled shaft tie-in cell on the south side of the river. Other notable features include select demolition of the existing lock and dam, a siphon system capable of lowering the pool behind the dam and a new access road and parking area.

The project bid on December 13, 2006 with an original contract value of \$14,747,000.00