

# Access and Maintenance



## BACKGROUND

It is critical that MCD be able to access and maintain all components of the flood protection system. Proposed project owners should evaluate the effect of the project on MCD property so that the ability to access and maintain the levees, floodwalls, and floodgates is not compromised during construction and throughout the life of the project.

## ACCESS AND MAINTENANCE

### Access to MCD Property

Proposed projects should

- Provide MCD access for routine maintenance, inspection, or emergency repairs
- Maintain a minimum 15-foot buffer from levee toe

### Maintenance of MCD Property

Proposed projects should

- Cause no obstruction to maintenance
  - MCD will not approve improvements, developments, or uses that permanently alter or diminish MCD's ability to maintain the flood protection system.
  - MCD may not approve stairways and other structures on levee slopes that could hinder MCD maintenance activities.
  - MCD may not approve a proposed project that creates an "orphan" maintenance area.

### Maintenance of Project

Project maintenance needs should be addressed throughout the entire project life-cycle

- Proposed project owners should develop long-term maintenance plans.
- Proposed project owners should identify sources of maintenance funding.
- MCD will consider other projects and amenities owned and maintained by the requesting agency.

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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