

Capital City Landing Indianapolis, Indiana

In September of 1993, Sasaki Associates of Watertown, Massachusetts began work on the Concept Master Plan for the White River in downtown Indianapolis. FRP was a member of that project team along with Claire Bennett Associates of Indianapolis and two other consultants specializing in historic preservation and economic analysis.

The project generated a number of ideas including constructing a new dam south of Washington Street to raise the elevation of White River, construction of a trail system to connect downtown with Broad Ripple and the Art Museum, construction of a kayak course, construction of boat docks at several locations along the river, development of wildlife areas along the river, development of waterside parks, provisions for a water taxi system, repair of the canal breach, incorporation of the water company aqueduct in the project area, increasing pedestrian access to the river, and the reconnection of the canal to the river.

Some major tasks included rehabilitating the old Washington Street bridge and using it as a major pedestrian link across the river, rerouting the westbound lanes of Washington Street, and performing a detailed infrastructure study to determine present capacities and future needs of the utility systems. The FRP work consists of general engineering services associated with all phases of the project and specifically the Washington Street bridge and infrastructure phases. Also included in our responsibilities was the extension and updating of the existing topographic survey of the project area.

