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## **Corps awards West Bank floodwall contract for Harvey Canal**

NEW ORLEANS – The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New Orleans District awarded a \$132 million contract to construct a 8,300 ft floodwall stretching south from Harvey Canal sector gate at Lapalco Blvd. to the S-curve of Old Peters Rd.

“This is the largest floodwall construction contract on the West Bank,” said Stuart Waits, Senior Project Manager for floodwalls. “It is one of five contracts that will provide protection from Lapalco Blvd to the Algiers Canal.”

The contract was awarded to Cajun Constructors, Inc. of Baton Rouge to build a floodwall to elevation +14ft using T-wall construction. This project will provide protection for residents and businesses in the Harvey area.

Under post-Katrina legislation, the federal government will pay for 100 percent of the project. The Corps is working in coordination with its non-federal partners, the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development, the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority-West, and the West Jefferson Levee District.

The floodwall will be built using over 30,400 cubic yards of concrete, which is about 61,560 tons of material. The floodwall foundation requires 520,000 ft of steel H-piles, about 98 miles long, approximately the distance between New Orleans and Biloxi, Mississippi.