



**US Army Corps  
of Engineers**  
New Orleans District

## Project Fact Sheet

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### **Official Project Name**

Atchafalaya River, Bayous Chene, Boeuf, and Black, Louisiana Feasibility Study

### **Location**

The study area is located in south-central Louisiana in Assumption, St. Mary, and Terrebone Parishes Louisiana, in the vicinity of Morgan City, Louisiana. It includes the Atchafalaya River and adjacent areas south of Morgan City; Bayous Chene, Boeuf, and Black and adjacent areas between the Atchafalaya River and Amelia, Louisiana; and Atchafalaya Bay and the Gulf of Mexico, south of Morgan City.

The study area is located in the 3rd Louisiana Congressional District. The Honorable Charlie Melancon is the U. S. Representative for that district.

### **Purpose**

To address the feasibility of modifying the existing Federal project to provide deeper access channels to marine fabrication yards in the Morgan City area.

### **Authority**

The Atchafalaya River and Bayous Chene, Boeuf, and Black, Louisiana, study was authorized by Section 430 of the Water Resources Development Act of 2000, Public Law 106-541, dated December 11, 2000. Section 430 is as follows:

“SEC. 430. BOEUF AND BLACK, LOUISIANA. The Secretary shall conduct a study to determine the feasibility of deepening the navigation channel of the Atchafalaya River and Bayous Chene, Boeuf, and Black, Louisiana, from 20 feet to 35 feet.”

### **Scope**

This project will look at the reaches of Bayou Chene up to Bayou Boeuf, the portion of Bayou Boeuf from Bayou Chene to the GIWW, and portions of the GIWW from the lock to the Hwy 90 bridge. The project will also address the portion of the Atchafalaya River from Morgan City to the Gulf. Deepening of these waterways up to a depth of -35 feet will be investigated. Measures to reduce maintenance dredging and beneficial use of dredged material will also be part of the study.

### **Progress to Date**

A significant effort for the Feasibility Study is the hydraulic modeling. Much has been completed and final review and revisions are currently underway. Primary efforts remaining are the environmental analysis and the economic analysis.

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