



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

Project Fact Sheet

Official Project Name

St. Bernard Parish, Louisiana Flood Control Feasibility Study

Location

St. Bernard Parish is located on the east bank of the Mississippi River south of and contiguous to the city of New Orleans, LA. The area is protected from Mississippi River and hurricane flooding by a levee loop formed by the Mississippi River west bank levee and the Chalmette Area feature of the Lake Pontchartrain, LA, and Vicinity hurricane protection project. Most of the parish's population lives within a smaller levee loop adjacent to the Mississippi River formed by the Mississippi River levee and a local levee located inside the Chalmette Area loop.

Purpose

Flood Control

Background

The study was authorized by a 22 September 1992 resolution of the Committee on Public Works and Transportation and Infrastructure of the U.S. House of Representatives and by a 22 April 1999 resolution of the Committee of Transportation and Infrastructure of the U.S. House of Representatives. The Feasibility Study is currently investigating the drainage system related problems in St. Bernard Parish and will focus on providing flood damage reduction for the twenty-five year and ten-year rainfall events, while also reducing damages for larger events. The Feasibility study is scheduled for completion in late FY 2006.

Authority

House of Representatives, Docket 2600, 22 April 99

Progress to Date

The project is currently in the feasibility phase. The feasibility phase is scheduled for completion in 2007.

Partners/Sponsors

Lake Borgne Levee District – cost share sponsor

St. Bernard Parish Government (www.st-bernard.la.us) – cost share sponsor

Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development (www.dotd.state.la.us) - stakeholder