



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

# Join the US Army Corps of Engineers New Orleans District



## About the District:

- ◆ The New Orleans District provides for navigation, flood and hurricane risk reduction, environmental stewardship, and other water resources needs to benefit the people of southern Louisiana and the nation.

## Duties:

- \* As a Lock and Dam Operator Trainee at a USACE navigation facility, you will operate (under very close supervision and dependent upon capability, skill, and knowledge) electrically- and/or hydraulically-controlled lock or lock and dam gates, control valves, and other associated equipment required for passage of a variety of private and commercial traffic through the lock structure and the maintenance of required pool levels.
- \* Specific duties include: Handle bow or stern lines, walk lines in proper locations along the wall, and snub lines to assist pilot in maneuvering craft into position;  
Operate electric gate controls to open or close gates at one end of the lock chamber;  
Operate electrically controlled tow haulage unit to move barges into and out of lock chamber.

## Job Information:

**Position Title:** Lock and Dam Operator

**Occupational Series:** WY-5426

**Grade Levels:** WY-05; Target WY-09

**Starting Pay:** \$15.56 / hr

**Location:** Bayou Sorrel Lock, Plaquemine, LA



## How to Apply:

For consideration, please send your resume to Brad Blanchard at [brad.j.blanchard@usace.army.mil](mailto:brad.j.blanchard@usace.army.mil)

## Qualification Requirements:

- ◆ Ability to work as a Lock and Dam Operator trainee without more than normal supervision. This is defined as having the ability or experience working as a deck hand, requiring mooring skills; locking through navigation locks, while working as a deckhand, and have moored (tied off) tows/vessels in lock chambers.

## Conditions of Employment:

- ◆ Pre-employment Physical
- ◆ Pre-employment drug test
- ◆ Background investigation
- ◆ Shift work

