NEW ORLEANS, LA – The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New Orleans District, will host a public meeting on Tuesday, Oct. 27 to discuss the proposed action for the Seabrook Floodgate Structure, a sector gate and two vertical lift gates 540 feet south of the Senator Ted Hickey (Seabrook) Bridge that would tie into the Lake Pontchartrain levee system.

The proposed Inner Harbor Navigation Canal (IHNC) Seabrook Floodgate Structure would operate in tandem with the IHNC Lake Borgne Surge Barrier to reduce the risk of storm damage to New Orleans East, metro New Orleans, the Ninth Ward and St. Bernard Parish.

Individual Environmental Report (IER) 11 Tier 2 Pontchartrain, which investigates the alternative alignments and designs for Seabrook and also addresses the impacts of these alignments, construction methods, and other design details, will be out for a 30-day public comment period in November 2009.

When: Tuesday, Oct. 27, 2009
Open House from 6 to 6:30 p.m.
Presentation begins at 6:30 p.m.

Where: St. Gabriel the Archangel Church
5029 Louisa St.
New Orleans, La. 70126

The Corps will also host a community meeting on Thursday, Oct. 29 to discuss the status of improvements to the east and west walls of the Industrial Canal and ongoing construction of the Lake Borgne Surge Barrier, as well as the proposed Seabrook Floodgate Structure.

Project managers will provide information on construction efforts, schedules and what can be expected in neighborhoods near the Industrial Canal as the Corps continues to build a stronger and more reliable hurricane and storm damage risk reduction system.

When: Thursday, Oct. 29, 2009
Open House 6 to 6:30 p.m.
Presentation 6:30 p.m.

Where: Holy Angels Convent
3500 St. Claude Ave.
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For more information or to sign up to be on a meeting notification list please visit the following Web site:  
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