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Corps to discuss latest plans to reduce risk in Orleans

Public meetings scheduled for Nov. 13 and Nov. 18

NEW ORLEANS – Proposed actions for the New Orleans Lakefront levee and the status of plans to improve levees and floodwalls in New Orleans East and the Lower Ninth Ward will be discussed at two separate public meetings in November.

“We’ve reached some planning milestones and are looking forward to providing an update on our progress,” said Kevin Wagner, senior project manager. “Public meetings also provide New Orleans residents an opportunity to give input on the development of the hurricane system.”

On Nov. 13, the Corps will discuss the recommended proposed action to strengthen the New Orleans Lakefront Levee which runs along Lake Pontchartrain from the Jefferson/Orleans Parish boundary at the 17th Street Canal, east to the Industrial Canal. Impacts of the proposed action will be discussed in Individual Environmental Report 4, which will be available for public review in the next few weeks.

Details of the Nov. 13 public meeting are:

Open House 6 p.m. to 7 p.m.
Presentation and Discussion 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.
Lindy C. Boggs Conference Center
Rm 236
2045 Lakeshore Dr.
New Orleans, LA 70122

The Nov. 18 public meeting will discuss the status of the Citrus Lakefront Levee, New Orleans East levees and floodwalls and the Inner Harbor Navigation Canal Lake Borgne Surge Barrier. Human and environmental impacts of these projects are captured in IERs 6, 7 and 11

Tier 2 Borgne. The presentation will also address borrow, the clay material used to build earthen levees. Impacts of excavating borrow are captured in IERs 18, 19, 22, 23, 25 and 26.

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Open House 6 p.m. to 7 p.m.
Presentation and Discussion 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.
Church at New Orleans
11700 Chef Menteur Hwy
New Orleans, LA 70129

Public meetings are part of the Corps' commitment to meet National Environmental Policy Act alternative arrangements for environmental compliance efforts and to provide construction updates on the hurricane system. Alternative arrangements allow the Corps to expedite the environmental process required of all federally funded projects while fully complying with the intent of the NEPA.

Questions or comments concerning Individual Environmental Reports or the Corps' environmental processes may be addressed to:

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For more information or to sign up to be on a meeting notification list please visit the following web site: www.nolaenvironmental.gov.

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