The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) is continuing consultation for the demolition and resultant debris removal of the buildings comprising the Associated Branch Pilots’ Complex at Pilot Town, Plaquemines Parish, LA (Undertaking). The USACE is issuing this public notice as a part of its responsibilities under 36 CFR Part 800, the regulations implementing Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended.

The regulations at 36 CFR Part 800 require the USACE, as the lead federal agency, to identify if any of the properties proposed for demolition are eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP); to assess the effects the demolitions will have on historic properties; and to seek ways to avoid, minimize, or mitigate any adverse effects.

The USACE, in consultation with the SHPO, USFWS, the Associated Branch Pilots for the Port of New Orleans, and other consulting parties, has determined that the proposed demolitions would result in adverse effects to historic properties, and has developed a Memorandum of Agreement to resolve adverse effects to historic properties that may result from the demolitions. Any member of the public is encouraged to provide views on how the project may affect historic properties and ways that these effects may be avoided, minimized, or mitigated. Comments may be submitted to USACE until Friday, October 28, 2011 at http://www.nolaenvironmental.gov/NOLAComment.aspx, by email to mvnenvironmental@usace.army.mil, or by regular mail.

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