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Corps project team to give update on recommended plans to reduce risk in St. Bernard Parish

NEW ORLEANS, LA – The Corps will provide an update on measures that will reduce risk to residents living in St. Bernard Parish at a public meeting on Thursday, Dec. 11 at Lynn Oaks School, 1 Lynn Oaks Dr., in Braithwaite.

“There are a number of engineering and technical challenges involved in completing the St. Bernard portion of the hurricane system,” said Chris Gilmore, senior project manager. “We are weighing the pros and cons of each alternative under consideration and are close to finalizing the plans for each project area.”

The meeting begins with an open house from 6 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. A formal presentation begins at 6:30 p.m. and will be followed by a discussion period. The presentation will provide the recommended plan to improve the Bayou Dupre Control Structure as it will be discussed in Individual Environmental Report 8 and will discuss options to improve the Caernarvon Floodwall as it will be discussed in IER 9. The project manager will also describe the recommended plan for the Chalmette Loop Levee portion of the hurricane system as it will be discussed in IER 10.

A video providing an overview of the government’s action at the Inner Harbor Navigation Canal Lake Borgne Surge Barrier (IER 11 Tier 2 Borgne) and the alternatives under consideration to reduce risk at the Inner Harbor Navigation Canal Lake Pontchartrain Surge Barrier (IER 11 Tier 2 Pontchartrain) will also be shown. The video will be followed by a brief overview of the status of identifying potential borrow (clay) sources to be used in the hurricane system as discussed in IER 18, 19, 22, 23, 25 and 26.

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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