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Corps awards third Harvey Canal floodwall contract *Contract includes fronting protection for Hero Pump Station*

NEW ORLEANS – The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New Orleans District awarded a \$62 million contract yesterday evening to Boh Brothers Construction Co, LLC of New Orleans for the construction of 1,155 linear feet of floodwall. This project will tie into the south end of the floodwall currently under construction south of Boomtown Casino. The reach will extend across the Hero Pump Station discharge channel and will follow Concord Road to Elmwood Marine.

“This contract includes the construction of fronting protection for the Hero Pump Station,” said Sami Mosrie, Project Manager for floodwalls on the West Bank. “Fronting protection is designed to protect interior drainage pump stations from storm surge and to prevent the back flow of water through the pumps, which is very important for public safety.”

T-walls will stretch the length of the reach, and will also include a pile supported inverted T-Wall constructed in front of the pump station. The pump station discharge pipes will be extended through this T-wall and will also be modified to include back-flow prevention.

This project will provide a 100-year level of protection for an area which previously had no federal protection. The public safety of residents and businesses in the Harvey area will increase significantly at completion of the Harvey Canal floodwalls.

Under post-Katrina legislation, the federal government will pay for 100 percent of the project. The Corps is working in coordination with its non-federal partners, the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development, the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority-West, and the West Jefferson Levee District.