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Corps, partners to address saving La. coast in New Orleans meeting Sept. 6

Part of National Waterways Conference's 2002 meeting

What. Three discussions involving U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, including saving Louisiana's coast and modernizing the Upper Mississippi and Illinois rivers..

When and where. Friday, Sept. 6, 2002, New Orleans, Hilton Riverside Hotel. During annual meeting of National Waterways Conference, Sept. 4-6.

8:45 a.m., Status of civil works program. Maj. Gen. Robert H. Griffin, director of civil works, Corps of Engineers, Washington, D.C.

9:15 a.m., Restoring Louisiana's coast. Moderator, Gary P. LaGrange, executive director, Port of New Orleans. Panelists, John P. Saia, deputy district engineer, project management, New Orleans Engineer District; Randy Hanchey, assistant secretary, Louisiana Department of Natural Resources, Baton Rouge, the Corps' partner agency; and A. (Val) Marmillion, partner and founder, Pacific Visions, Los Angeles.

10:35 a.m., Modernizing Upper Mississippi/Illinois. Moderator, R. Barry Palmer, executive director, DINAMO (association to develop Ohio Valley navigation), Pittsburgh, Pa. Panelists, Donald L. Basham, management director, Mississippi Valley Division, Corps of Engineers, Vicksburg, Miss.; Christopher J. Brescia, president, MARC-2000 (Midwest Area River Commission), St. Louis; and Mark N. Beorkrem, project manager, navigation/flood damage reduction project, Mississippi River Basin Alliance, Morrisonville, Ill.

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