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## **Corps evaluates additional borrow sites to be used for levee construction**

**NEW ORLEANS** – The Corps is proposing the use of two additional borrow sites in an environmental document that is now available for public review.

“An additional geotechnical review of the clay’s suitability is ongoing but, if approved, the clay from these sites would be used to construct risk reduction levees. Our expectation is that the material would be used in Plaquemines and St. Bernard parishes,” said Soheila Holley, senior project manager of borrow.

Individual Environmental Report 28 entitled, “Government Furnished Borrow Material #4, Jefferson, Plaquemines, and St. Bernard Parishes, Louisiana” documents the potential environmental impacts that would result if the two sites are used to construct earthen levees. The sites are:

- Bazile in Plaquemines Parish
- Johnson/Crovetto in St. Bernard Parish

IER 28 also includes the environmental clearance of an access route that would be used to move material from a previously cleared borrow site, Westbank F, in Jefferson Parish.

The document is available for review and download at:

[www.nolaenvironmental.gov](http://www.nolaenvironmental.gov). Comments will be accepted through midnight on Friday, July 17, 2009.

The Individual Environmental Report environmental process allows the Corps to expedite the environmental review while fully complying with the intent of the National Environmental Policy Act. The Corps encourages the public to provide written comments on IERs by mail, e-mail or by visiting [www.nolaenvironmental.gov](http://www.nolaenvironmental.gov) at any time throughout the comment period.

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