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Corps to host public meeting to discuss environmental mitigation and status for Plaquemines Parish Federal and Non-Federal levee projects

NEW ORLEANS, LA – The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New Orleans District, is hosting a public meeting on Thursday, May 31, 2012 to discuss environmental mitigation efforts for and provide a status update on the New Orleans to Venice (NOV) / Plaquemines Parish Non-Federal Levee (NFL) Hurricane and Storm Damage Risk Reduction projects.

The public meeting will provide an opportunity for residents to propose sites for environmental mitigation projects in order to mitigate for the impacts that will be generated by construction of the NOV / NFL Hurricane and Storm Damage Risk Reduction projects. These projects will compensate for losses to four habitat types: wet and dry bottomland hardwood forests, swamp and marsh.

The public meeting will begin with an informational open house and be followed by a brief presentation during which the Corps will provide the criteria that mitigation sites will be weighed against during the selection process.

Public meeting details are:

When: **Thursday, May 31, 2012**
Open house from 6:00 to 6:30 p.m.
Presentation to begin at 6:30 p.m.

Where: Woodland Plantation
21997 Highway 23
West Point a la Hache, LA 70083

For more information on the Corps' projects visit www.mvn.usace.army.mil or www.nolaenvironmental.gov.

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