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Corps grants additional extension of Eastern Tie-In public comment period

Individual Environmental Report comment period to close Jun. 1, 2009

NEW ORLEANS – The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New Orleans District Commander Col. Alvin Lee, has granted an additional extension of the public review and comment period for Individual Environmental Report (IER) 13, “Westbank and Vicinity Hero Canal Levee and Eastern Terminus, Plaquemines Parish, LA.” The comment period will now close at midnight on Monday, Jun. 1, 2009.

IER 13 discusses the Corps’ proposed action on how to most effectively reduce risk for the Belle Chasse sub basin, which includes Belle Chasse, English Turn, New Aurora, the Belle Chasse Naval Air Station and Oakville.

The environmental document outlines the benefits and impacts of the levee alignment that would connect the Westbank and Vicinity levee to the Mississippi River levee in Plaquemines Parish. The document was originally released for public review on Friday, Apr. 3, 2009. The comment period was first extended to midnight on Monday, May 18, 2009 at the request of stakeholders living in the area of the proposed project.

The Corps’ commitment to stakeholder involvement is part of the National Environmental Policy Act compliance efforts to provide opportunities for the public to participate in development of the hurricane risk reduction system.

Copies of IER 13 are available for download at: www.nolaenvironmental.gov or by request.

Questions or comments concerning Individual Environmental Reports or the Corps’ environmental processes may be addressed to:

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