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**NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY**

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New Orleans District (CEMVN), has prepared an Addendum to draft Individual Environmental Report # 13 (IER # 13 Addendum) titled "Addendum to Draft Individual Environmental Report, West Bank and Vicinity (WBV), Hero Canal Levee and Eastern Tie-in, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana," which is available for your review. This public notice is being posted per alternative National Environmental Policy Act arrangements implemented on March 12, 2007.

The purpose of the proposed action discussed in the IER #13 Addendum is to provide hurricane and storm damage risk reduction primarily for the Belle Chasse, Louisiana area. Written and verbal comments received during the public review period for the IER #13 Addendum document were reviewed by CEMVN staff and a determination was made by the New Orleans District Commander that three issues addressed in those comments rose to the level of being substantive. In accordance with the Alternative NEPA Arrangements, the USACE prepared the Addendum to address the substantive comments before a decision is made on the proposed action. This Addendum also provides additional information to be used when considering the alternatives presented in the draft IER #13. This includes clarifications and inclusions of supporting information. Evaluation of the proposed action includes application of the Section 404(b)(1) guidelines promulgated by the Administrator of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, through 40 CFR 230.

Copies of the IER #13 Addendum and supporting documents are available at <http://www.nolaenvironmental.gov>, or upon request. Please contact Ms. Joan Exnicios; U.S. Army Corps of Engineers; Planning, Programs, and Project Management Division; Environmental Planning and Compliance Branch; CEMVN-PM-RS; P.O. Box 60267; New Orleans, Louisiana 70160-0267; to request a copy. Requests can also be made by calling (504) 862-1337, e-mailing [mvnenvironmental@usace.army.mil](mailto:mvnenvironmental@usace.army.mil), or by fax to (504) 862-2088.

The 30-day public review and comment period for the IER #13 Addendum will begin on 10/27/09, and end on 11/25/09. Interested parties may express their views on the proposed action. All comments postmarked on or before the expiration of the comment period for this notice will be considered. All comments should be sent to Ms. Joan Exnicios.