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Corps confirms environmental and geotechnical suitability of four borrow sites

NEW ORLEANS, LA – Four clay material sources identified in Individual Environmental Report #25 have been deemed suitable through environmental and geotechnical analysis and may be acquired for construction of the Greater New Orleans Hurricane and Storm Damage Risk Reduction System’s earthen levees.

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New Orleans District Commander, Col. Alvin Lee, has signed the environmental document confirming that the Corps may begin the process of requesting acquisition of these four clay material sources.

“We have confirmed the Jefferson, Orleans and Plaquemines Parish borrow sites contain material that meet our strict quality standards, and use of the sites are in compliance with environmental laws and regulations” said Soheila Holley, senior project manager of the team tasked with identifying borrow sources. “Once acquired the sites will be used to construct levees and reduce risk for people in the New Orleans metropolitan area.”

IER 25 is titled, “Government Furnished Borrow Material #3, Multiple Parishes.” The size of the approved borrow sites are:

- Westbank D - 27 acres, Jefferson Parish
- Westbank E Phase 1 and Phase 2 - 172 acres total, Jefferson Parish
- Stumpf Phase 1 and Phase 2 - 224 acres total, Orleans Parish
- Tac Carrere - 27 acres, Plaquemines Parish

Ongoing Geotechnical evaluations have resulted in a determination that there is 450 acres of useable material at the four sites discussed in IER 25. The remaining area approved for use at the sites will be used to process excavated materials, ingress and egress from the site and equipment staging areas.

Additionally, the Stumpf site was approved for use as potential borrow stockpile site as discussed in IER 25.

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