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## Landowner easement presentation scheduled

PORT BARRE – A public presentation is scheduled 5 – 6 p.m., Oct. 18, at the Atchafalaya Basin Floodway System Office to provide landowners information on the Atchafalaya Basin Floodway System (ABFS) Easement Program.

Since 1988, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers has been acquiring easements (also known as servitudes) on lands in the lower Atchafalaya Floodway. Congress authorized the acquisitions under the Supplemental Appropriations Act of 1985, Public Law 99-88 and the Water Resources Development Act of 1986, Public Law 99-662. The Corps is continuing to acquire the easements to reach its authorized objective of 338,000 acres.

ABFS easement agreements are multi-purpose real estate instruments. In each easement, the government acquires specific real estate rights over lands in the Basin. These rights focus on the flood control and/or environmental protection features of the ABFS project.

The ABFS Office is located at 112 Speck Lane, Port Barre, La.

For more information, visit the ABFS Project Web page.

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