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Corps removing 158 stumps on East Jeff lakefront and canals

NEW ORLEANS—The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers will remove 158 stumps of trees cut in July 2006 to eliminate the danger they posed to East Jefferson's hurricane levees if uprooted during a tropical storm.

The work will begin next week along Lake Pontchartrain and adjacent canals. It is expected to take about four weeks to complete. It will be done by Purnell Construction Co. of Baton Rouge under a \$58,581 contract.

All holes left after the stumps and roots are removed will be filled with compacted clay and seeded with Bermuda and/or rye grass. The contractor will remove stumps by pulling them up or pushing them over. All roots larger than 1 inch in diameter will be removed.