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Contract awarded for Phase II of Cousins Canal SELA Project

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers has awarded a \$9 million contract involving construction of a 10- x 30-ft concrete flume, or an open canal with vertical walls and a flat bottom. It is a feature of the Southeast Louisiana Urban Flood Damage Reduction project, or SELA.

The contract was awarded September 26 2007 to Bucktown Contractors and Co., a Kenner, LA based small business contractor.

"This contract will complete SELA improvements on a major portion of the canal system feeding the Hero Pump Station and the new Cousins Pump Station," said Rachel Calico, the Corps' project manager for SELA in Jefferson Parish.

The improvement will extend from the upstream end of the Cousins Phase I project, at the junction of Woodmere Canal, to Pipeline Canal, a distance of 1,350 ft. and will also include a transition into the Woodmere Canal.

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