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Army Corps of Engineers removes closures on 17th Street, London Ave. canals

NEW ORLEANS, Sept. 26 – The Army Corps of Engineers will remove the temporary sheetpile closures across 17th Street and London Avenue canals at 3:15 p.m. today.

Lake levels have stabilized and no longer threaten the emergency repairs made to the flood wall breached during Hurricane Katrina.

The Corps installed sheet pilings Sept. 21 to prevent storm surge from rushing up the canals and damaging the emergency repairs.

Col. Duane Gapinski, commander of the Corps' Unwatering Task Force will be available for comment at the 17th Street Canal from 3:15 to 4:15 today.

For more information, contact the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Public Affairs Office in New Orleans at 504-862-1231.