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What. Corps of Engineers, New Orleans District, is hosting a workshop with Dutch engineers, including members of the Rijkswaterstaat, on the Louisiana Coastal Protection and Restoration (LaCPR) Project.

Who. John Barry, Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority East board member and author of "Rising Tide," is the guest speaker.

When. March 14-16, 2007

Where. J.W. Marriott, 614 Canal Street, Ile de France Room 1

Background. The conference continues a discussion between the Corps and the Dutch engineers on the LaCPR Project. There have been three sessions in Holland; this is the first in the United States. The effort began shortly after Hurricane Katrina and has involved close coordination and cooperation in many technical areas. Sharing of technical data will assist the LaCPR project team to propose increased hurricane protection.

The Dutch engineers are also interested in learning about emergency evacuation procedures and emergency response to disasters. Representatives from the state of Louisiana will present on this topic.

Interviews.

Media are invited for photo opportunities during the luncheon beginning at 12 p.m. on March 14, and for interviews following the luncheon at about 1:15 p.m. in a designated room.

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ADD 1-1-1 Dutch Visit

Media is also invited for photo opportunities on March 15 at the following locations:

9 a.m.

- I-10 Twin Span construction office. Exit right at Oak Harbor, right at Shell Station toward Lake Pontchartrain.
- 17th Street Canal Pump Station

10:15 a.m.

- 17th Street Canal Pump Station
- Harvey Canal Hurricane Floodgate. Intersection of Lapalco Blvd. and Harvey Canal.