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Harvey sector gate closes

NEW ORLEANS—Col. Alvin B. Lee, New Orleans District Engineer, closed the Harvey Canal sector gate at Lapalco Blvd. and Destrehan today due to continued heavy rainfall and winds from the south, and pending high tides.

The Corps took these precautionary steps of closing the canal due to the rising water level and expected continued rain.

The Harvey Lock gates remain partially open but the adjacent area is not threatened with rising water as the water will be pumped around the sector gates.

It takes approximately ten minutes to close the gates for the canal, which has a safe water elevation of 3.5 feet.