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Baton Rouge, La. Company Receives Contract for IHNC Work

New Orleans – A contract to repair levee systems along the Inner Harbor Navigation Canal (IHNC) East Bank has been awarded to Cajun Constructors, Inc., of Baton Rouge, La. The IHNC is an important link in the Gulf Intracoastal Waterway System that serves coastal states from Florida to Mexico, as well as the inland waterways of the Mississippi River.

Work to be performed under the \$23.9 million contract includes demolition, debris and rock dike removal, clearing and grubbing, earthwork, concrete placement, construction of a T-wall, fertilizing, seeding and mulching.

The work will be conducted on the IHNC East Bank from North Claiborne Avenue to Florida Avenue, where levees were overtopped by Hurricane Katrina storm surge. The area was further damaged in the wake of Hurricane Rita one month later.

The project is part of the mission assigned by the Army Corps' Mississippi Valley Division Commander, Brig. Gen. Robert Crear, to Task Force Guardian.

Task Force Guardian's assignment is to restore federal levees that provide hurricane and flood protection to the area to a pre-Katrina level of performance by June 1, 2006.

