

Dear Mr. Zeringue:

Thank you for your presentation before the Mississippi River Commission during the public meeting in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, on March 7, 2002.

The Commission appreciates your comments supporting the Morganza to the Gulf Hurricane Protection project. The Commission and staff are reviewing the final feasibility report before it is sent to Washington for the 30-day level review. Assuming that the Washington level review is completed without significant issues, the Chief's report is scheduled to be signed in July 2002. The New Orleans District and staff will then process the feasibility report as quickly as possible.

The Commission appreciates receiving your views and looks forward to hearing from you at our future public meetings.

Sincerely,

Edwin J. Arnold, Jr.
Brigadier General, U. S. Army
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Commission