## MISSISSIPPI RIVER AND TRIBUTARIES



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2024 MVD Industry Day
21 February 2024

Management





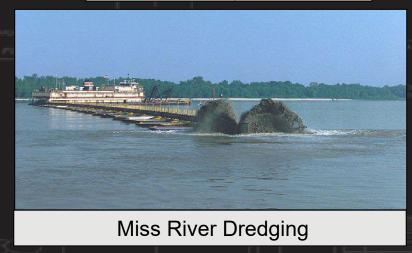




Miss River Levees – Flood Risk Management



Atchafalaya Basin





#### **Mississippi River and Tributaries Project**

#### **Great Flood of 1927**

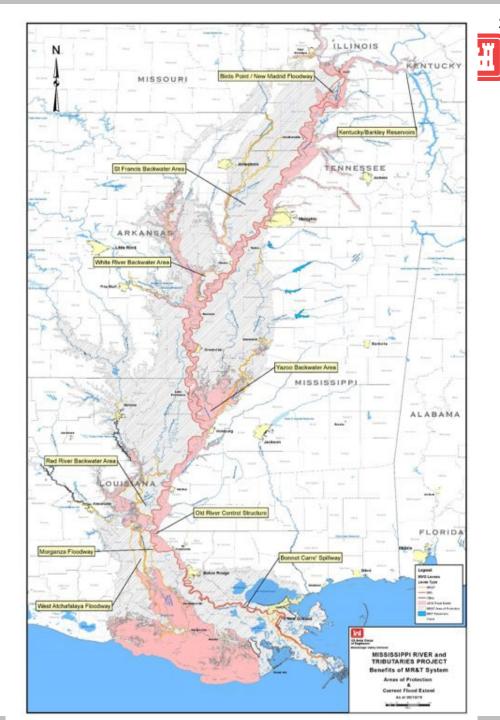
- 27,000 Square Miles Inundated
- 700,000 People Impacted
- 500 Deaths
- Economic Damages = \$1 Billion

#### Flood Control Act of 1928 & Subsequent Acts

Signed on May 15, 1928 (13 Months After the First Levee Breach) Comprehensive Navigation & Flood Control Project

- Levees and Floodwalls
- Floodways and Backwater Areas
- Channel Improvement and Stabilization Features
- Tributary Basin Improvements (Subsequent Acts)

\$21 Billion Federal Invested : \$2.7 Trillion Flood Damages Prevented Benefit to Cost = \$134 : \$1



## MR&T VALUE TO THE NATION



- \$20.5B invested for planning, construction, O&M since 1928.
- \$2.7T flood damages prevented since 1928.
- \$222.4B flood damages prevented in 2022.
- 4.1 million people protected.
- 134 to 1 return on each dollar invested.
- 10.5 to 1 Benefit-to-Cost Ratio @ 7% OMB rate. (FRM Benefits Only)
- 659M tons of cargo moved on the MS River system each year.
- \$12.5B in transportation savings.
- MR&T Mainstem System Construction is Currently ~84% complete.











## MISSISSIPPI RIVER CHANNEL IMPROVEMENT











## DELIVERING THE SUPPLY CHAIN DURING EXTREME DROUGHT

#### **VALUE TO THE NATION**

MISSISSIPPI RIVER ANNUAL TONNAGE VALUE: ~\$187 BILL ON

**MISSISSIPPI RIVER ANNUAL TONNAGE:**  ~660 MILLION SHORT TONNES OF CARGO

**TOP FIVE MISSISSIPPI RIVER COMMODITIES** 



PETROLEUM & PETRO-CHEM PRODUCTS







**8** TOTAL



START DATE OF EVENT: 13 JUNE 2023

When our nation's busiest commercial waterway is impacted by low water levels, USACE works with Federal, State, Local and Industry partners to keep goods moving.

MISSISSIPPI

**LOW WATER EVENT 2023** 



#### **CONSTANT ACTION**

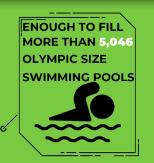
**NUMBER OF ACTIVE DREDGES:** 

**DOLLARS INVESTED IN LOW WATER DREDGING SINCE 13 JUNE 2023:** 

CUBIC YARDS (CYS) OF DREDGED MATERIAL SINCE 13 JUNE 2023:

**\$38.6** MILLION

**16.5** MILLION CYS



#### CONSISTENT INVESTMENT | USACE MISSISSIPPI RIVER INVESTMENT SINCE 2012

**BIPARTISAN INFRASTRUCTURE LAW** 

To address damages to revetments and dikes.

**MISSISSIPPI RIVER & TRIBUTARIES PROGRAM (MR&T)** 

To construct over 2M revetment squares and 14 miles of dikes.

**REGULATED WORKS PROGRAM** 

To remove rock from the channel, place revetments, and construct river training structures.



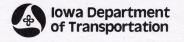


**BUILDING STRONG®** 









Source: lowa Department of Transportation - 800 Lincoln Way - Ames, IA 50010 - 515-239-1372



#### **Cargo Capacity**

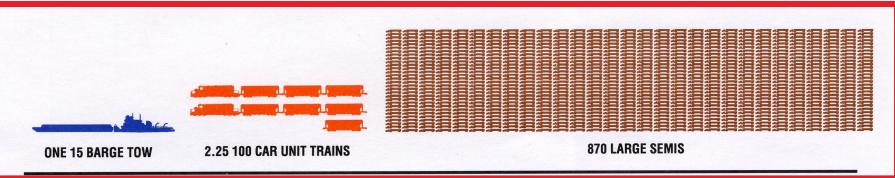
ONE BARGE 1,500 TON 52,500 BUSHELS 453,600 GALLONS ONE 15 BARGE TOW 22,500 TON 787,500 BUSHELS 6,804,000 GALLONS JUMBO HOPPER CAR 100 TON 3,500 BUSHELS 30,240 GALLONS

100 CAR TRAIN UNIT 10,000 TON 350,000 BUSHELS 3,024,000 GALLONS LARGE SEMI 26 TON 910 BUSHELS 7,865 GALLONS

#### **Equivalent Units**



15 JUMBO HOPPER CARS 58 LARGE SEMIS



#### **Equivalent Lengths**



.25 MILES



2.25 100 CAR TRAIN UNITS

**2.75 MILES** 



**870 LARGE SEMIS** 

11.5 MILES (BUMPER TO BUMPER)

PM 444 12-21-94



## MISSISSIPPI RIVER – EFFICIENT WATERWAY





Memphis 2011 - Flood

<b>Memphis</b>	Gage
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<u>Event</u>	<u>Stage</u>
2011 Flood	48.03
2012 Drought	-9.79*
Elevation Difference	57.82 ft

Memphis 2012 - Drought

\*New Record Low Set at Memphis Gage 17 October 2023\* 2011 Flood 48.03 ft

2023 Drought -12.04 ft

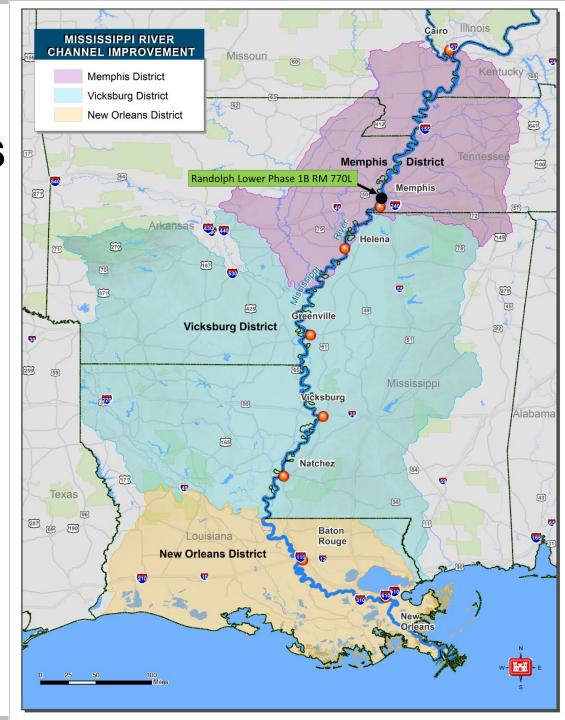
Elevation difference 60.07 ft



#### **CHANNEL IMPROVEMENT –**

#### **INFRASTRUCTURE ON THE LOWER MS**

- 3 USACE Districts encompassing portions of 7 states
- Confluence of the Ohio & Mississippi River to Head of Passes (approx. 1,000 river miles)
- "Channel Improvement"
   Infrastructure provides Navigation,
   Flood Risk Management, and
   fosters Environmental Protection &
   Enhancements
  - Infrastructure:
    - Dike Length: 341 miles
    - Revetment: 1058 miles



## LMR LOW WATER DREDGING

u.s. ARMY Mississippi River

- USACE Owned Dredge Hurley, Dredge Jadwin, Dredge Potter, Contract Dredge Wallace McGeorge

#### **2022-2023 Statistics**

- Dredged at 43 crossings from Cairo Illinois to Baton Rouge
- Dredged more than 35 MCYDS of material last two years

#### Lower Mississippi River Low Water Comparison 2022-2023 Statistics 242.4 43.6 417.5 21.3 VS 333.7 Vessel Voyages 1,032 Vessel Voyages Statistical Comparison 12.24%

Total Barges Impacted Decreased by

37.14% 70.87% 61.72% 55.33%



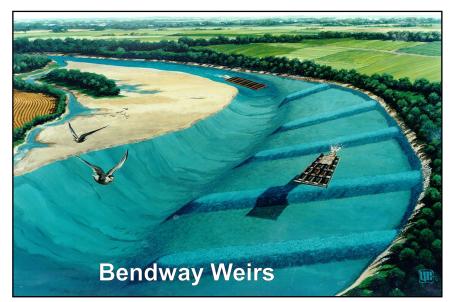




## **RIVER ENGINEERING TOOLS**











## **MISSISSIPPI RIVER LEVEES**

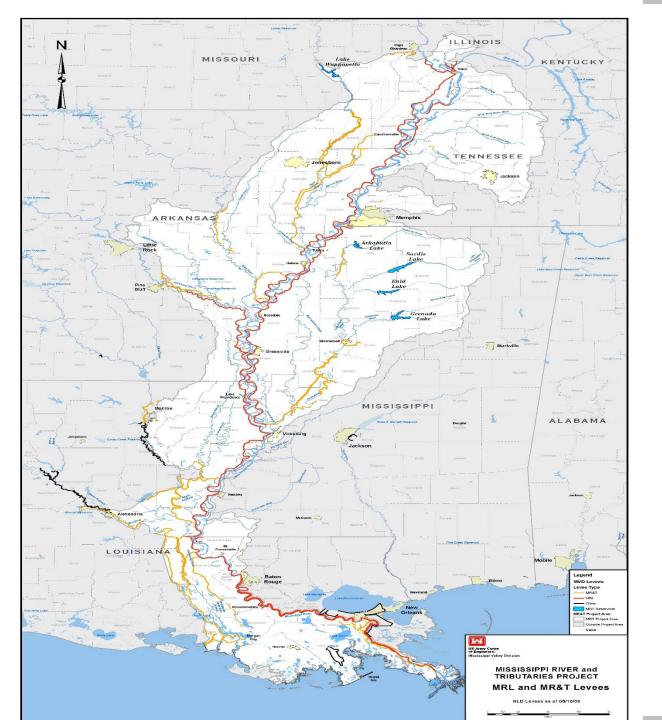


The Mainline Mississippi River Levee System (MRL) extends from Cape Girardeau, MO to Head of Passes, LA and is approximately 1,610 miles in length.

The MRL lies within the Memphis, Vicksburg, and New Orleans Districts.

Construction of the MRL is approximately 85% complete







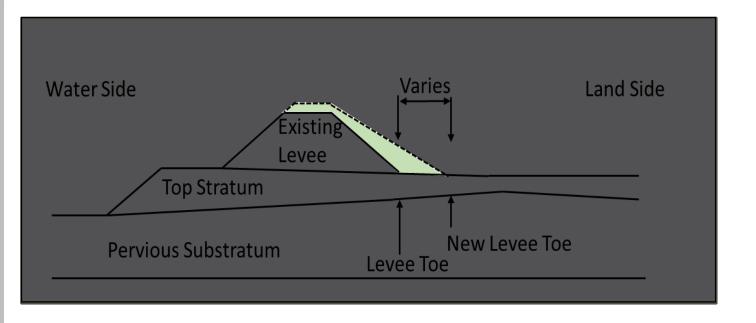


## LEVEE ENLARGEMENT



Levee enlargements are conducted in locations where the existing levee is not at the authorized grade. Depending on the location of the project, these raises may occur on the landside, riverside, or straddle the existing levee section.







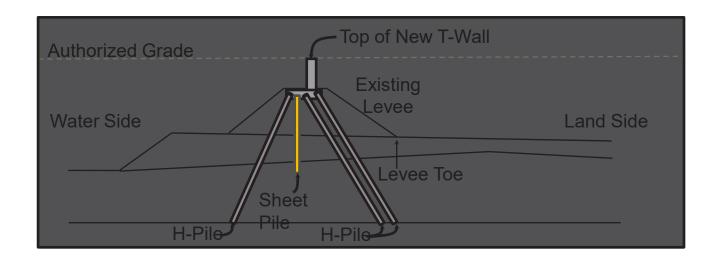


## FLOODWALL DEFICIENCIES



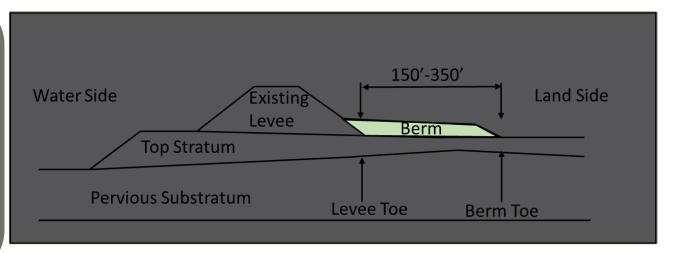
Urban areas typically require floodwalls rather than levees to reduce impacts to residences and businesses. These floodwalls can have stability concerns or height deficiencies that must be addressed.







Seepage berms are constructed on the landside of the levee using impervious soils to reinforce existing top stratum and to reduce underseepage pressure near the toe of the levee. Upon construction, berms are turfed and mowed to prevent erosion or encroachment of undesired vegetation.





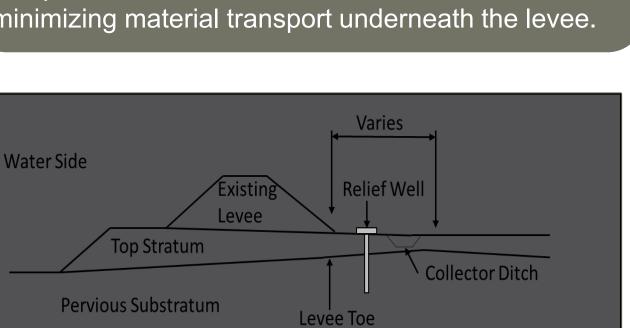


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## **RELIEF WELLS**



Relief wells are vertically installed wells consisting of a well screen surrounded by a filter material designed to prevent in-wash of foundation materials into the well. Relief wells intercept underseepage and provide a controlled outlet for the water while minimizing material transport underneath the levee.



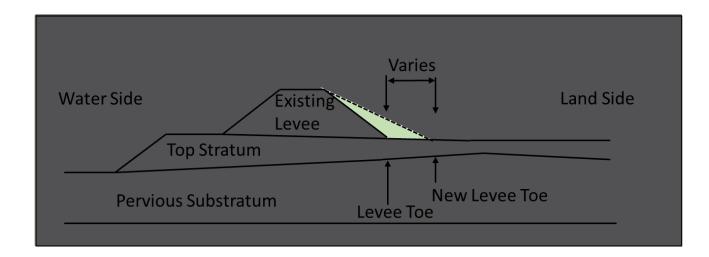






## **SLOPE FLATTENING**

Areas with recurring levee slides require measures beyond ordinary operations and maintenance repairs. In these locations, the slopes of the levee will be flattened to reduce the chances of slide recurrence.









#### NEW ORLEANS DISTRICT OVERVIEW AGENDA



#### Mississippi Rivers & Tributaries

- Atchafalaya Basin
  - Disaster Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act 2022 (DRSAA)
  - Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) / Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL)
- Mississippi River Levee
  - Annual Program
  - BBA18 Long Term Supplemental Phase II (BBA18 LTS)
  - Disaster Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act 2022 (DRSAA)
- Morganza to the Gulf
  - Annual Program
  - Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act(IIJA) / Bipartisan
     Infrastructure Law (BIL)

#### **Questions**

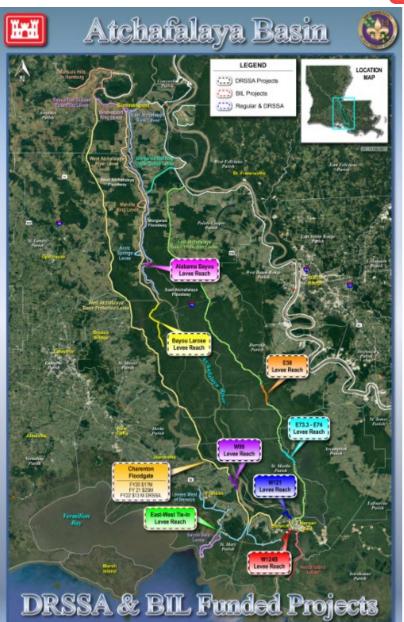


#### ATCHAFALAYA BASIN

Project Overview

#### **Project Description/Scope:**

- DRSAA, IIJA, & BIL authorized funding for design and construction to address flood risk management concerns:
  - Alabama Bayou Levee Lift
  - Bayou La Rose Levee Lift
  - E73.3 E74 Levee Lift
  - W99 Levee Lift
  - W121 Levee Lift
  - W124B Levee Lift
  - Bayou Sale East West Tie In
- Proposed work includes levee lifts and floodwalls
- Solicitations between ~Q1 FY26 through ~Q4 FY28
- Award range \$500k \$20M



## ATCHAFALAYA BASIN PROJECT DELIVERY SCHEDULE



Project Name	Project Location	Type of Work	Solicitation*
Alabama Bayou Levee Reach	Krotz Springs, LA Pointe Coupee Parish	Levee Lift	Q1 2026
Bayou La Rose Levee Reach	East of Henderson, LA St Martin Parish	Levee Lift	Q1 2026
E73.3 through E74 Levee Reaches	Belle River, LA St Martin Parish	Levee Lift	Q1 2027
W99 Levee Reach	Franklin, LA St Mary Parish	Levee Lift	Q4 2028
W121 Levee Reach	Berwick, LA St Mary Parish	Levee Lift	Q2 2026
W124B Levee Reach	Berwick, LA St Mary Parish	Levee Lift	Q1 2025
Bayou Sale – East West Tie In Reach	Bayou Sale, LA St Mary Parish	Levee Lift/Floodwall	Q1 2025

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## MISSISSIPPI RIVER LEVEE (MRL)

#### Project Overview

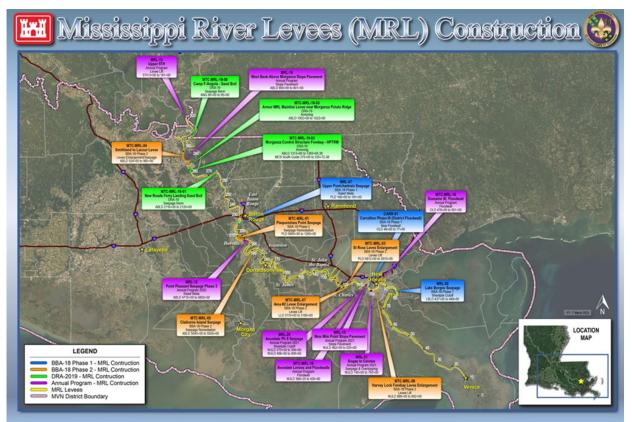


#### **Project Description/Scope:**

Annual Program, BBA18LTS, & DRSAA authorized funding for design and construction to address flood risk management

concerns:

- Dugas to Celotex
- Avondale Levee and Floodwall
- Harvey Lock Forebay Levee
- IHNC Lock Forebay Levee
- Port Allen Levee Enlargement/ Floodwall
- Thomas Point/Smithfield Levee Enlargement
- Plaquemines/ Reveille Levee Enlargement
- Bayou Goula to Alhambra Levee Enlargement
- Marchand/Carville/Ben Hur Rd Levee Enlargement
- Smoke Bend Levee Enlargement
- Welham Plantation Levee Enlargement
- Belmont/ Romeville-College Point/ Romeville Levee Enlargement
- Waggaman Levee Enlargement/ Floodwall
- Proposed work includes levee enlargements, floodwalls, and seepage remediation
- Solicitations between ~Q3 FY24 through ~Q1 FY26
- Award range >\$1M <\$25M





## MISSISSIPPI RIVER LEVEE (MRL) PROJECT DELIVERY SCHEDULE



Project Name	Project Location	Type of Work	Solicitation*
Dugas to Celotex	Jefferson Parish, LA	Seepage Remediation/ Sheetpile Cutoff	Q2 2024
Avondale Levee and Floodwall	Jefferson Parish, LA	Overtopping	Q1 2025
Harvey Lock Forebay – Levee	Jefferson Parish, LA	Overtopping/ Floodwall	Q3 2025
IHNC Lock Forebay – Levee	Orleans Parish, LA	Levee Enlargement/ Floodwall	Q1 2027
Port Allen	West Baton Rouge Parish, LA	Levee Enlargement/ Floodwall	Q1 2026
Thomas Point/Smithfield	West Baton Rouge Parish, LA	Levee Enlargement	Q3 2025
Plaquemines/ Reveille	Iberville Parish, LA	Levee Enlargement	Q3 2025
Bayou Goula to Alhambra	Iberville Parish, LA	Levee Enlargement	Q3 2025
Marchand/Carville/Ben Hur Rd	Iberville, Ascension, & Baton Rouge Parish, LA	Levee Enlargement	Q1 2027
Smoke Bend	Ascension Parish, LA	Levee Enlargement	Q4 2025
Welham Plantation	St. James Parish, LA	Levee Enlargement	Q4 2025
Belmont/Romeville-College/ Romeville	St. James & Ascension Parish, LA	Levee Enlargement	Q4 2025
Waggaman	Jefferson Parish, LA	Levee Enlargement	Q4 2025

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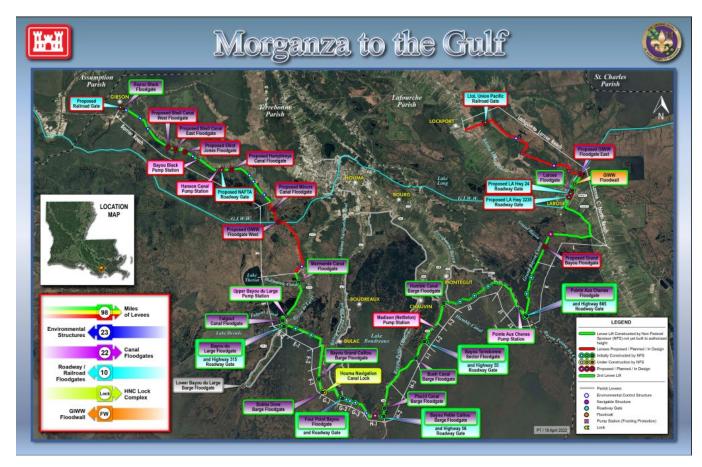


#### MORGANZA TO THE GULF PROJECT OVERVIEW



#### **Project Description/Scope:**

- DRSAA, IIJA, & BIL authorized funding for design and/or construction to address flood risk management concerns:
  - Features funded for design and construction:
    - Reach A Levee (portion)
    - Lockport to Larose (portion)
    - Minors Canal Floodgate
    - **GIWW West Floodgate**
    - **GIWW East Floodgate**
    - **Humble Canal Floodgate**
  - Features funded for design include:
    - Reach F Levee
    - Reach J-2 Levee
    - Reach L Levee
    - Reach K Levee
    - Bayou Terrebonne Floodgate
    - Shell Floodgate



- Proposed work includes levee enlargements, floodwalls, water control structures and seepage remediation
- Solicitations between ~Q3 FY24 through ~Q4 FY26
- Award range \$10M \$250M



## Morganza to the Gulf PROJECT DELIVERY SCHEDULE

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Project Name	Project Location	Type of Work	Solicitation*
Reach A Levee (portion)	Terrebonne Parish, LA	Levee Construction	Q3 2024
Lockport to LaRose (portion)	Lafourche Parish, LA	Levee Construction	TBD
Minors Canal Floodgate	Terrebonne Parish, LA	Floodgate	TBD
GIWW West Floodgate	Terrebonne Parish, LA	Floodgate	TBD
GIWW East Floodgate	Lafourche Parish, LA	Floodgate	TBD
Humble Canal Floodgate	Terrebonne Parish, LA	Floodgate	2027
Reach F Levee	Lafourche Parish, LA	Levee Lift	Q4 2025 (Pending funding)
Reach J-2 Levee	Terrebonne Parish, LA	Levee Lift and Structure Replacement	2026 (Pending Funding)
Reach L Levee	Lafourche Parish, LA	Levee Lift	Pending Funding
Reach K Levee	Lafourche Parish, LA	Levee Lift and Structure Replacement	Pending Funding
Bayou Terrebonne Floodgate	Lafourche Parish, LA	Floodgate	Pending Funding
Shell Floodgate	Terrebonne Parish, LA	Floodgate	Pending Funding

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## PRESENT: AN INTEGRATED SYSTEM







