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***PHASE III-FLOOD FIGHT STATUS REPORT***  
**West Bank Mississippi River Levee Monitoring**  
**33 miles- West Jefferson and Algiers**

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**Agencies Involved:**

SLFPA-W Operations Division

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New Orleans District

CPRA

GOHSEP (Governor's Office Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness)

Parish EOC's

**Weather Situation:**

**Sunny**

**Gage Readings:** (Note: FS= Flood Stage):

(Gage readings obtained from [www.rivergages.com](http://www.rivergages.com) )

Gage at: Carrollton (FS: 17') **16.85'**

**Condition of Levee District FCWs and Resources:**

All MRL floodgates are currently open.

**Needs that may be requested from USACE, CPRA, or GOHSEP**

SLFPA-W will seek recommendation where necessary from USACE, and CPRA regarding any issue(s) throughout our area of jurisdiction.

Actions Currently Implemented – Including flood fight measures, any and all repairs, supplies (dirt, sandbags, rock, sandboils, P/S seepage observed, scouring, etc...) equipment, pumps.

Increased monitoring of fleeting operations has begun. **Barges are to be 180' from the levee centerline or 100' from the original floodside levee toe (which is under water at this time) or whichever is greater--** CONTACT USCG AT 504-365-2200 and press "0" (USCG Command Center) to report any barges and/or ships that you deem in violation of this safety precaution.

**Many areas of the system have water on the flood side toe or levee slope. Following are issues that were encountered during today's inspection as well as outstanding issues as conveyed from USACE.**

WJ103750 – At midnight 1/15/16 a tow with seven barges broke loose near the GNO bridge. Six of the barges were retrieved, but one was apparently punctured and the only means to stabilize it was to push it into the bank. The barge is currently pushed into the tree line approximately 100-150' from the centerline of the levee. The owner stone oil is working to repair and remove the barge. There is no apparent danger to the flood protection at this time.

AL16000 – Multiple sections of deteriorated slope pavement were shored with sandbags to prevent wave wash from undermining the pavement. This area will be monitored closely throughout the event and evaluated following the event for future action required.

AL44000 – Multiple slope pavement separations were observed at the still water level. To prevent wave washed undermining of the pavement, the separations were shored with sandbags. The panels will be monitored for the remainder of the event and evaluated following the event.

WJ69000 – A gas line ruptured at 400 Avenue B in the afternoon on 1/12/16. A contractor for Atmos excavated approximately 3 feet to repair the line. Levee district personnel were on hand to witness the hole backfilled. No additional work is anticipated during the event and no signs of seepage were evident during the repair.

WJ87350 – On 1/11/16 USACE informed the authority that there was an erosion area caused by wave wash adjacent to an access ramp. The area was shored up with sandbags for the event and will be repaired following the event.

Multiple potential seepage areas are being monitored. Following is a listing of the stations we are monitoring.

AL44000-AL45000

AL31000-AL35000

AL20000

AL26000

WJ46000

WJ50000

WJ38000-WJ40000

WJ43000-WJ44000

WJ51000

WJ63000-WJ64000

#### Additional Notes:

Personnel for USACE, CPRA, Parish EOCs, GOHSEP, SLFPA-W and all other necessary representatives for local, state and federal agencies within SLFPA-W's jurisdiction have been informed of current Flood Fight phase. SLFPA-W equipment and staff are in ready/stand-by mode.

Maintenance Shop Supplies:

Empty 35x35x48 – Sandbags 145

Empty 36x36x36 – Sandbags 960

Material on Hand:

Sand – 40 Yards

**Final Report:**

SLFPA-W will continue inspections of the West Bank MRL in its territorial jurisdiction and will prepare and submit said reports daily through the Phase III Flood Fight until this event subsides or until further advised.

Inspections will continue, as a daily operation of this authority, under the direction of the Regional Director and the SLFPA-W Resident Engineer with the continued assistance of USACE, CPRA, GOHSEP and parish EOCs.

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