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Sunset levee construction, near intersection of Bayou des Alléments and Bayou Gauche (Reach 4)

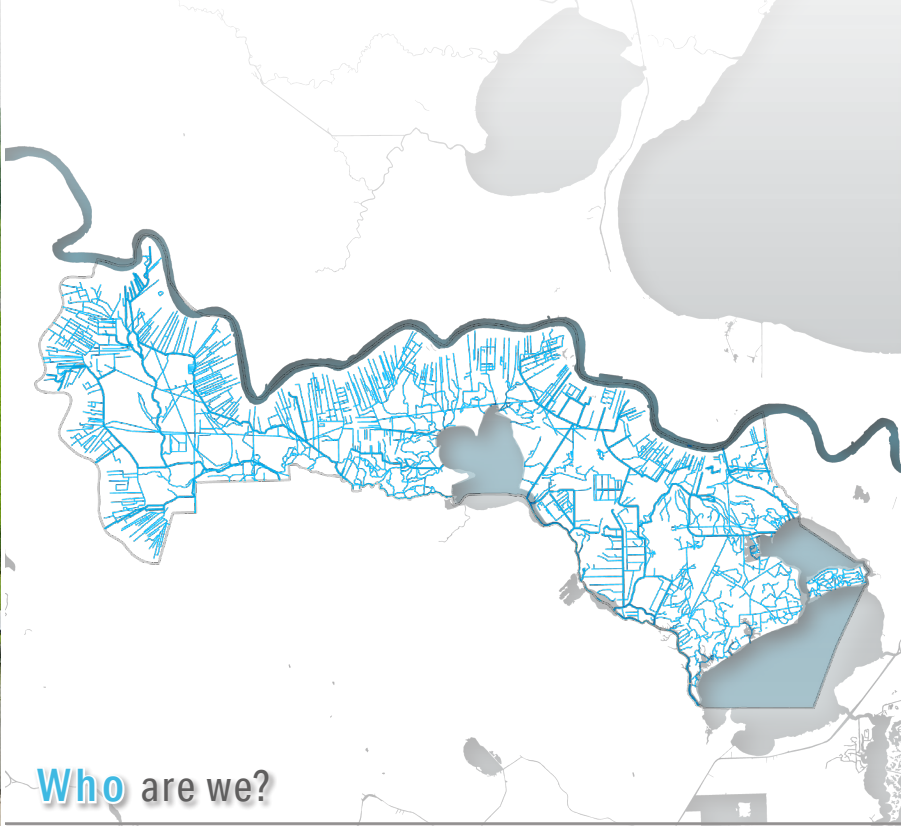
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WASHINGTON DELEGATION TRIP

Lafourche Basin



CONSERVATION LEVEE AND DRAINAGE DISTRICT



Who are we?

Lafourche Basin Conservation Levee And Drainage District (LBCLDD) is the regional levee district spanning:

- Assumption Parish,
- St. James Parish,
- St. John the Baptist Parish,
- St. Charles Parish, and
- Ascension Parish.

LBCLDD is responsible for maintenance and operations of the west bank Mississippi River levee system between

Donaldsonville and the St. Charles Parish/Jefferson boundary.

Since the origination of the State of Louisiana Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority and the Coastal Master Plan, LBCLDD working with the North Lafourche Conservation, Levee and Drainage District (NLCLDD), has also been one of the primary advocates for the **Upper Barataria Risk Reduction Project (UBRR)**.

UPPER BARATARIA RISK REDUCTION PROJECT (UBRR)

About the UBRR Project

- The project consists of a 30.6 mile levee alignment, including 12.3 miles of existing levee/floodwall improvements.
- The levee would originate in Luling, Louisiana; connecting to the Mississippi River Levee via the Davis Pond Diversion Structure West Guide Levee.
- Continuing south, the plan would raise the St. Charles Parish Levee to an elevation of 16 ft to 18.5 ft, across Bayou Des Allemands with a 270 feet barge gate structure, and would then continue parallel to Hwy 90 where it ties into high ground near Raceland.

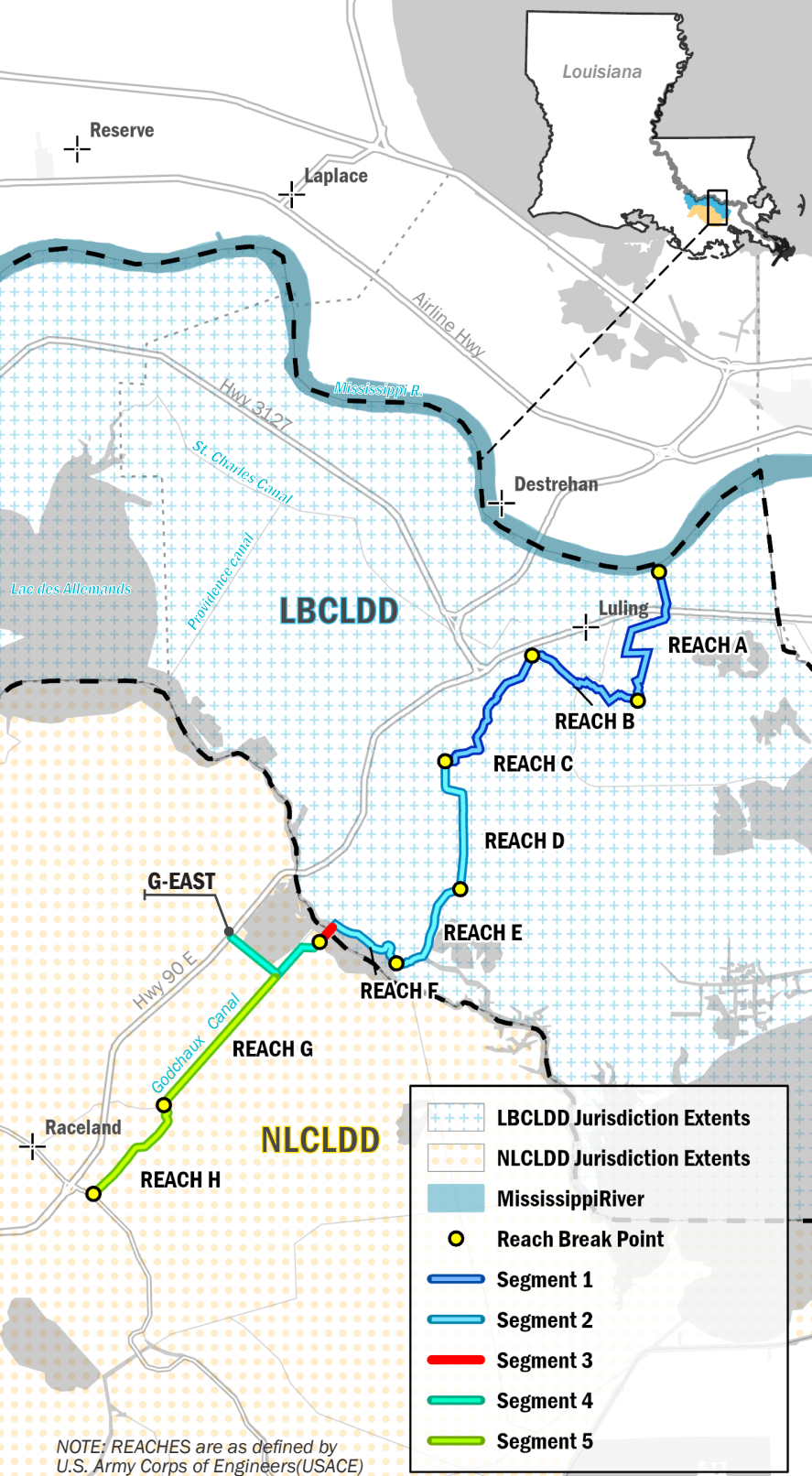
Delegation Requests



Request that OMB ensures the President's Budget reflects at least \$19M for G-East (as requested by USACE New Orleans District), preferably fully fund the federal share of construction at \$41M.



The Levee District requests expediting this construction by allowing Federal funds to be provided to the State via the USACE Pilot Program or other means to achieve critical interim protection by 2028.



Recent Project Updates

- Interim protection to +8.0 on Reaches A-F is nearly complete, and approximately \$90.0M in local and state funds have been spent to date to complete this.
- Met with USACE Project Management and have an agreement on a path forward:
 - » Reach G-East PED to be completed by USACE in July 2025.
 - » G-East total construction cost to be \$62.0M - cost shared 65/35 with CPRA.
- USACE New Orleans District submitted a request for New Start Construction of G-East in the amount of \$19.0M for FY2025.
- The remainder of Reach G and all of Reach H are not funded and will take years to design and construct.
- The initial construction contract will probably have a 3-year duration to

complete the levee, access road, and bridge cross over.

- The western leg of G-East is an access road at elevation 4.0 ft. The Levee District will complete design and elevate the access road from +4.0 to +8.5 and construct a floodgate in Godchaux Canal to provide interim protection.
- CPRA has committed to \$90.0M in the 2025 Annual Plan for the Bayou Des Allemands flood gate (Segment 3) and the tentative schedule for completion of construction by July 2028.
- MOU executed between USACE and CPRA allows for LBCLDD to begin designing from Segment 1 to Bayou Des Allemands to elevation 8.0 ft, including closing all gaps and relocations.

The primary goal is to establish interim protection for all segments reaches at elevation +8.0 ft .