



PUBLIC NOTICE

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NOTICE TO NAVIGATION INTEREST

BAYOU BIENVENUE AND BAYOU DUPRE FLOOD GATES

NOTICE OF CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITIES

Notice is hereby given to all mariners that marine traffic through Bayou Bienvenue will be restricted due to construction of a temporary Bridge that will provide continuous access from Paris Road to Bayou Dupre. The Bridge is scheduled to be in place by March 13, 2010 and will be located on the protected side of the Bayou Bienvenue gate structure. **ALL MARINERS ARE URGED TO USE EXTREME CAUTION.** Small, personal watercraft with **LESS THAN 14 feet** of clearance from the water to the highest point on the vessel will be able to pass under the bridge without delay. **LARGER VESSELS** will only be allowed to pass 4 times a day when the center span of the temporary bridge is removed.

- Scheduled opening of the Temporary Bridge beginning on March 13, 2010 thru project completion in the summer 2011:
 - Times are subject to change with proper notification to ensure public safety during construction.
 - 5:30 a.m. to 6:00 a.m.
 - 11:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.
 - 3:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.
 - 7:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
- The Temporary Bridge will remain in-place from 8:00 pm till 5:30 am and will impact marine access thru Bayou Bienvenue by larger vessels for the duration of the project.

Additionally, starting **March 15, 2010 Bayou Dupre will be closed** to all marine traffic and will remain closed until summer 2011. The Bayou Dupre control structure will be replaced with a new structure to provide 100-year level of risk reduction to St. Bernard Parish. To ensure public safety during construction, the bayou will be closed to navigation and all marine traffic will need to utilize Bayou Bienvenue to exit the Central Wetlands.

Please call our *Construction Impacts Hotline*, 877-427-0345, with questions or concerns.