

Lake Borgne Basin Levee District
Monthly Status Report
February 17, 2016

I Safety

- 0 injuries since last report:
- 0 accidents since last report.

II Construction / Capital Improvements

A. HMGP

Phase 1 for the Engine Upgrades at Stations 1&4

- Phase 2 approval was received in June.
- Tier rating determination was received from EPA and we are in the process of preparing regulatory permits for LA DEQ.

Phase 1 Safe Room Design at Stations 1&7

- Project is being re-advertised this month.

B. FEMA Public Assistance

Pump Station #6 Pump repair / Hangers at PS#6&7

- Awaiting 100% bid docs.
- Will be advertised after Erosion Repair project.
- Evans Graves will perform CM/PM services.

Pump Station #6 Erosion Repair

- Design and bid documents are complete.
- Preparing to advertise

C. Non-Federal Levee Certification

- 100% designs for Phase 1 have been received and LBBLD is currently working through real estate acquisition.
- 100% designs for Phase 2 are complete, real estate acquisition is complete, awaiting approval of HMGP funding in order to advertise

III O&M

A. Levee Systems

Non-Federal Levee

- Regular O&M is ongoing.

Mississippi River Levee

- No significant issues or deficiencies identified during the high river event.
- Debris removal along MRL Batture will begin when river is below +11.0'.
- Conducting regular O&M on levees and floodgates.

B. HSDRRS

- Issue was identified on east leaf of Bayou Dupre structure. Electrical connection to the switch controlling main proportional valve was identified as bad. Valve bypass was used until replacement parts could be ordered, and part has been replaced.

C. Drainage Canals

- Continued routine maintenance along drainage canals.

D. Pump Stations

- Issues identified with corroded fittings at Stations 2, 3, and 5 are being addressed.
- Repair of hydraulic fittings will require removal of all pumps, replacement of fittings and heat exchangers with stainless steel components, pressure testing and re-installation.
- Pump removal has begun, and schedule will be developed once the extent of the repairs is definitively known.

IV Inspections

- 1Q 2016 inspections will be completed by 2/29/16
- Annual Inspection was rescheduled from February to May 2016 due to high river conditions.

V Flood Fight Activities

- MRL Inspections will continue until river is below +11.0' at the Carrolton Gauge.

VI Personnel

- LBBLD currently has 22 employees:
 - Pump Station 7
 - Levee Crew 10
 - Admin 4
 - Police 1

No new hires have been made in the last 30 days, and none are anticipated at this time.

VII Budget

Budget is being prepared in accordance with the standardized chart of accounts. The fiscal issues continue to be the biggest challenge for LBBLD, and although a balanced budget will be presented, there are necessary maintenance items that are being delayed due to funding and personnel shortages.