

Press Release



Levee Tests

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Crews are working along Highway 23 testing dirt underground for future federal levees. The non-federal levees from Oakville to St. Jude will be raised and incorporated into the federal levee system.



“We’re continually working with the Army Corps to secure right of ways and approvals as we push to have all Plaquemines levees federalized,” said Parish President Billy Nungesser. “As you can see along Highway 23 in Myrtle Grove, we’re making progress. These improvements were originally slated for 2014, but thanks to coordination between the Corps and the parish, we now hope to start moving dirt in 2010.”

Soil borings explore Geo-Tech information by drilling down about 60-80 feet to look at the soil layers and figure out how much weight the soil can hold when the levee height and width is increased.



