



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

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REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF

February 23, 2015

Real Estate Division

TO: ALL LANDOWNERS, RESIDENTS, AND LESSEES IN THE BAYOU DES GLAISES LOOP, OLD RIVER CONTROL STRUCTURE PROJECT, THE WEST ATCHAFALAYA FLOODWAY, AND THE ATCHAFALAYA BASIN FLOODWAY AND ALL LANDOWNERS/TRAILER OWNERS OR LESSEE-OPERATORS IN THE MORGANZA FLOODWAY

You are reminded that the property in which you reside, operate, and/or are doing business is located within a floodway, or a portion of a floodway, which was developed under appropriate Acts of Congress by the United States Army Corps of Engineers. The function of the floodways is to safely pass the flood waters that may be generated in the Mississippi River and its tributaries to the Gulf of Mexico. The United States Government holds a perpetual right to flood the properties and improvements thereon. The Government's recorded easements provide that the United States shall in no case be liable for damages to property or injuries to persons that may arise from or be incident to operation of the aforementioned floodways.

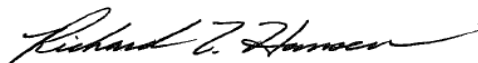
In the event the operation of any of the floodways is required, public notice will be given through your local civil defense officials, as well as all news media, sufficiently in advance to allow time for evacuation of people and livestock and for removal of personal belongings. Upon receipt of such notice, expeditious action must be taken to protect life and property. As a resident or user of one of the above floodways, you must be aware that it is likely that your home, business, and/or personal property could be flooded. In some areas of the floodways, the strength of the currents could thrust improvements from their foundations and carry them through the floodways as debris.

As a user of the floodway, it is your responsibility to minimize environmental contamination during the operation of the floodway. Farmers and commercial pesticide applicators that maintain supplies of pesticides must secure and protect these products. In case of high water, measures must be taken to prevent uncontained spills of pesticides, all in accordance with Louisiana Administrative Code Title 7, Pesticides. Also, property owners that store or permit storage of hazardous materials, hazardous waste, or NORM (Naturally Occurring Radioactive Material) on their property must take similar precautions. If you operate any water or gas wells within the floodway, they must be sealed and capped to prevent any contamination from floodwaters.

Owners of trailers in the Morganza Floodway are reminded that in the consent instrument, granting you the right to be in the floodway, you agreed to hold the Government harmless from any and all claims for damages due to flooding, to keep your trailers mobile and capable of being moved on short notice, and to add no permanent appendages to your trailers.

If you believe that you have received this annual notice in error or have a change of address, please complete the enclosed form and return to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New Orleans District, at the specified address.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Richard L. Hansen". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Richard L. Hansen
Colonel, U.S. Army
District Commander