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TWO-YEAR CONSTRUCTION PROJECT ON WEST ESPLANADE SET TO BEGIN MONDAY, JUNE 17

Kenner, LA. –Prep work on a two-year, \$11.9 million project to replace the bridges over the Duncan Canal on West Esplanade Avenue with a box culvert is scheduled to begin on Monday, June 17.

The bridges on West Esplanade Avenue are located at Arizona Avenue, and inspections have confirmed they are in need of repair. The project will replace the bridges with reinforced concrete box culverts. This will also result in an improvement in the drainage flow in the canal and significantly less maintenance needed in that area for the future.

The project involves enclosing a portion of the West Esplanade Avenue Canal, in an effort to improve safety for both vehicular and pedestrian traffic. The project also includes landscaping and other improvements for the areas being enclosed.

The contractor on the job is Hard Rock Construction, and the work is being paid for through the 2030 Program. The project is estimated to take two years.

Some time after the first week, restrictions will be in place that will limit traffic to a single lane in both directions at the work site on West Esplanade. As the work progresses, it will occasionally be necessary to close off both lanes of West Esplanade in one direction. When that happens, two-way traffic will be established on the other side of West Esplanade.

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