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## FLOOD PROTECTION AUTHORITY Your Flood Defense System

## PRESS RELEASE

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## FPA EAST CONTINUES TO REOPEN SEVERAL FLOODGATES

New Orleans, LA – Our field crews will continue the process of reopening floodgates in several areas around Orleans Parish. Today crews will be dispatched to open the following floodgates:

## **Orleans Parish**

- All gates along Lakeshore Drive
- Key river gates along the Inner Harbor Navigational Canal
- More rail line gates for CSX, Public Belt, Norfolk Southern

Please note gate openings will continue Monday, July 15, 2019 as the Flood Protection Authority - East will resume normal business operations. All employees will report as normally assigned.

As a reminder, we have received several reports from our field crews that vehicles are parked in front of floodgates. We are asking anyone who has a parked vehicle in front of or near a floodgate to remove them immediately as this impedes on public safety and our ability to effectively manage the floodgates. In the event a vehicle is blocking access to a floodgate, law enforcement can use our towing service in order to allow us to open the gate.

You can find status updates of all floodgates on the Levee Information Management System (LIMS). A link to LIMS is on our website <u>www.floodauthority.org</u> under the "Storm Updates" tab on the homepage.