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FPA TO OPEN SEVERAL KEY FLOODGATES

New Orleans, LA – Our field crews will begin the process of reopening floodgates in an effort to assist with rail, emergency routes, and river commerce. Beginning at 8:00 PM crews will be dispatched to open the following floodgates in these areas:

St. Bernard Parish

- Highway 39
- Highway 46
- LA 300
- All river gates

Orleans Parish

- Highway 90
- Key river gates along the cruise terminal (Poydras to Felicity)
- Several rail line gates for CSX, Public Belt, Norfolk Southern

Beginning at Midnight (Orleans)

- Additional key river gates
- Lakefront Airport (Between 11p – 1a)
- Downman Road (Between 11p – 1a)

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.

We will post all information on our website www.floodauthority.org under the “Storm Updates” tab on the homepage.