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FPA-East Statement Regarding Bayou St. John Water Levels

New Orleans, LA - Please see the following statement from FPA-East Director of Engineering Chris Humphreys regarding Bayou St. John water levels:

“FPA-East crews can only regulate water into the Bayou. When water levels are low, FPA-East crews can either open valves to slowly let water into the Bayou or open the sector gate to quickly fill the Bayou. The FPA-East crew that was recently letting water into the Bayou via the valves, overshot the target level but has since closed the valves. Therefore, no additional water from the Lake is entering the Bayou. FPA-E works in cooperation with the Sewerage and Water Board to open another set of SWBNO controlled valves to drain water from the Bayou into the drainage system. This is currently happening and water levels should be nearing more normal levels today.”