

The Port of South Louisiana Executive Regional Airport (APS) plans to convert approximately 585 linear feet of existing open ditch to a sub-surface drainage system. The project is needed because the existing open channel ditch is a wildlife (alligator) attractant. Wildlife could present a danger to tenants and employees who use the airfield. The components of this project are:

- Installation of erosion control methods (hay bales, silt fencing, etc.)
- Excavation of existing “L”-shaped ditch
- Construction of approximately 585 linear feet of concrete storm drainage pipe
- Installation of new catch basins
- Hydro-seeding of construction site

The proposed project is located on Airport Road in Reserve, Louisiana.

The environmental review, consultation, and other actions required by applicable federal environmental laws for this project are being, or have been, carried out by FAA Order 1050.1F. Per Executive Order 11988, Floodplain Management, the Airport, and the FAA have determined the proposed project components are located within the 100-year floodplain. The Airport and the FAA are presently identifying and evaluating the potential impacts, if any, on the floodplain. The project's impact on the floodplain is anticipated to be negligible; therefore, would not result in an adverse impact on the floodplain's natural and beneficial floodplain values. The encroachment would not impact existing infrastructure, would not have adverse impacts to the floodplain's natural and beneficial values, would not have a substantial probability of loss of human life, safe airport operations would not be affected, and aircraft services would not be interrupted.

If requested, a Public Meeting to review the project and provide comments will be granted in conjunction with FAA policy and floodplain review. If you would like to request a meeting, please contact Mr. Brian Cox, Chief Operating Officer, Port of South Louisiana, by phone at (985) 652-9278 or e-mail at [bcox@portsl.com](mailto:bcox@portsl.com); or provide written comments through July 31, 2024, or 15 days from the start of the Notice Publication. Written comments may be submitted by mail to Port of South Louisiana, Attention: Mr. Brian Cox, 1720 Louisiana Highway 44, P.O. Box AE, Reserve, LA 70084. Written comments from the public will become part of the project documentation.