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## Green space restoration to begin on Louisiana and Jefferson avenues

Work related to the Southeast Louisiana Urban Flood Control Project (SELA)

**NEW ORLEANS** – The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New Orleans District and our contractors will begin green space restoration on Louisiana and Jefferson avenues later this week. Work is related to the Southeast Louisiana Urban Flood Control Project (SELA).

Work on **Louisiana Avenue** consists of planting approximately 80 trees along the neutral ground from S. Claiborne Avenue to Constance Street. Tree varieties include Crape Myrtle Tuscarora, Crape Myrtle Muskogee, Magnolia Alta, Sweet Bay Magnolia, Savannah Holly, and one live oak.

Work on **Jefferson Avenue** consists of planting approximately 160 trees along the neutral ground from S. Claiborne Avenue to Magazine Street. Tree varieties include Crape Myrtle Tuscarora, Magnolia D.D. Blanchard, Savannah Holly, and a palm variety.

Each contract is expected to take approximately two to three months to complete.

Contracts for S.Claiborne and Napoleon avenues are expected to be awarded in fall 2019

**Traffic Impacts:** On **Louisiana Avenue**, the contractor will close the left travel lane as needed for planting. At least one travel lane will remain open in each direction. On **Jefferson Avenue**, the contractor will close the river bound travel lane as needed, no more than two to four blocks at time. **All travel lanes will be reopened after work in complete each day.**

The block-by-block design layout and presentation from the Green Space Restoration Open House hosted on Dec. 13, 2018 can be found at [www.usace.army.mil/Missions/HSDRRS/SELA](http://www.usace.army.mil/Missions/HSDRRS/SELA).

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