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SENATE PASSES ENERGY AND WATER APPROPRIATIONS

Sen. Landrieu secures Baton Rouge funding.

WASHINGTON – The U.S. Senate passed the Energy and Water Appropriations bill last night in a 92-3 vote. Upon the vote, Sen. Mary L. Landrieu, D-La., announced \$40 million in funding for projects in Baton Rouge and the surrounding area in the bill.

“The increase in funding that we secured in committee is significant and will accelerate our flood control and navigation and coastal protection programs,” said Sen. Landrieu.

The Senate bill funds 107 Louisiana projects sponsored by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, 17 of which are in the Baton Rouge area. The Senate bill represents twice as many projects and 34 percent more funding for Louisiana projects than the President requested, and 43 percent more funding and more than twice as many projects than was included in the House bill.

Sen. Landrieu is a member of the Senate Appropriations Committee that passed the \$31.25 billion bill, as well as the Energy and Water Appropriations Subcommittee that passed the bill last month. The Energy and Water Appropriations bill funds the civil works projects of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, the Department of Energy and other programs.

“It is my hope that during the conference of this bill we will be able to keep the Senate numbers in,” Sen. Landrieu said. “The higher funding in the Senate bill will mean more protection for Louisiana’s coast and other important navigation and flood control projects in Louisiana.”

Some of the projects in the Baton Rouge area in the Energy and Water Appropriations bill include:

- **\$275,000 for the Amite River and Tributaries Ecosystem Restoration Project**
- **\$425,000 for the Amite Rive and Tributaries, Bayou Manchac Project**
- **\$585,000 for the Atchafalaya River and Bayous Chene, Boeuf and Black enlargement study**
- **\$1,500,000 for the Bayou Sorrell Lock**

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- **\$20,000,000 for the Louisiana Coastal Area (LCA) Ecosystem Restoration and the Science and Technology Program**
- **\$150,000 for West Baton Rouge Parish to continue the study to address riverfront development features of the Mississippi River**
- **\$100,000 for the West Pearl River Navigation Project**
- **\$250,000 for the West Shore of Lake Ponchartrain**
- **\$500,000 for Environmental Infrastructure in Ascension Parish**
- **\$6,254,000 for the Lilly Bayou Control Structure project on the Comite River**
- **\$1,000,000 for the 12-mile diversion canal in East Baton Rouge Parish**
- **\$500,000 to continue engineering, design, and construction efforts in accordance with the "Sanitary Sewerage Overflow Corrective Action Plan" in East Baton Rouge Parish**
- **\$500,000 for the parish plant upgrades and wastewater pump station modifications in Denham Springs**
- **\$210,000 for studying, restoring and protecting the aquatic ecosystem in the University Lakes**
- **\$400,000 for the Donaldsonville to the Gulf project**
- **\$7,000,000 for the Floodway System in the Atchafalaya Basin**
- **\$420,000 for the Baton Rouge Harbor**

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