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LAPALCO BRIDGE UPDATE

Repairs to the Lapalco Bridge over the Harvey Canal are under way and should be completed in approximately two weeks, weather permitting. On November 10, 2009 a barge carrying a crane struck the bridge which caused damage to the bridge's structural components, pedestrian walkway, electrical system and the span-locking mechanism.

The right westbound lane of the bridge remains closed while repairs are completed. Due to the nature and location of the damages, additional lane closures will be necessary as the repair work on the structure progresses.

The left eastbound lane remains closed due to construction of roadway repairs on Lapalco Boulevard. These repairs should be completed by the end of November. Lane closures for this segment of work will change as the work progresses.

The Jefferson Parish Public Works Departments of Engineering and Streets are closely monitoring and coordinating both projects to minimize traffic delays.

For further information please contact Randy Nicholson, Director Jefferson Parish Department of Streets at 349-5805.

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