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REPAIRS TO KENNER BOAT LAUNCH UNDERWAY; FISHING PIER RE-OPENED

Kenner, LA – Construction has begun to replace two damaged ramps at the Laketown boat launch in Kenner. The work is being performed by Boh Brothers Construction and is expected to be complete by early February 2014. The two remaining ramps will be available during the construction.

In conjunction with two boat launch ramps being closed, two fishing pier ramps have been re-opened. The Laketown fishing pier, which suffered substantial damage from shoreline rip-rap thrown around by Hurricane Isaac, was finally ready to welcome fishermen back to the popular spot along Lake Pontchartrain just in time for the Thanksgiving holiday.

Task Force LLC of Baton Rouge performed the repairs and hazard mitigation improvements to the fishing pier, which included lengthening the transition between the land and the pier to try to minimize future rip rap damage. In addition, repairs were made to the railing and concrete pads that were lifted during the storm, electrical lighting and wiring and water lines on the pier.

Mayor Mike Yenni made the announcement regarding the re-opening at the City Council Meeting on Thursday, November 21. “We are very excited to re-open an improved pier to those who have been anxiously waiting to return to this special place in sportsman’s paradise.”

The City will hold a re-dedication ceremony and officially cut the ribbon to re-open the pier on Dec 3 at 10:00 a.m.

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