

~~Strike through~~ print represents text which has been deleted.

Bold and italicized print represents text which has been added or modified.

RESOLUTION

MISSISSIPPI RIVER LEVEE ENLARGEMENT

Delta Council acknowledges the overriding importance of maintaining flood protection from headwaters of the Mississippi River.

Levee Boards throughout the Lower Mississippi Valley have been working for a number of years to raise the current levee height on certain portions of our Mississippi River levee system in Arkansas, Louisiana and Mississippi to the necessary elevation to pass a Project Design Flood. Consequently, the Levee Boards are being called upon to join with the Corps of Engineers in a partnership to acquire the necessary right-of-way for construction of levee-raising throughout these specific reaches of insufficient levee protection. Delta Council lends its universal support to the Levee Boards for the implementation of these projects.

Delta Council offers its cooperation and assistance in this effort and requests that all public officials throughout the region give their support to the Levee Boards in its efforts to maintain the integrity of the mainline levee system.

The proposed changes to the Principles and Guidelines for the Federal administration of the Clean Water Act, which are administered by numerous agencies (NRCS, Corps of Engineers, Bureau of Reclamation, etc.), are a threat to all future actions to improve flooding or maintain drainage.

Delta Council supports the Corps of Engineers' endeavor for a new Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement to include those items not covered under the 1998 Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement.

Adopted by: Delta Council Flood Control Committee
August 17, 2023

