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## **Sewerage & Water Board and Corps of Engineers Plan Info Meeting On South Claiborne Drainage Project**

The Sewerage & Water Board of New Orleans and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers will hold an informational meeting this week to brief area residents on a major drainage project along South Claiborne Avenue from Monticello Avenue to Leonidas Street.

The meeting is set for Thursday, January 12, at 6 p.m. at St. John Baptist Church, 8540 Panola Street. The \$27.1 million project will begin in a few weeks and is scheduled to be completed in July of 2014.

The work consists of constructing approximately 2,500 linear feet of reinforced concrete canal (useable area of 18.5 by 10 ft) under the median along South Claiborne Avenue from Monticello Avenue to Leonidas Street.

The new canal is part of SELA, the Southeast Louisiana Urban Flood Control Project, a cooperative effort between the Board and the Corps. It is funded through 65 per cent Federal funds and 35 per cent Board matching funds.

More information on the project may be obtained by calling 585-2450 or by visiting [www.swbno.org/work\\_drainageSELA.asp](http://www.swbno.org/work_drainageSELA.asp)

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