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# H. R. 6428

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

DECEMBER 9 (legislative day, DECEMBER 8), 2006

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## AN ACT

To authorize the Secretary of the Army to carry out certain elements of the project for hurricane and storm damage reduction, Morganza to the Gulf of Mexico, Louisiana.

1        *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2        *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. MORGANZA TO THE GULF OF MEXICO, LOU-**  
2 **ISIANA.**

3 (a) **IN GENERAL.**—The Secretary of the Army may  
4 carry out the following elements of the project for hurri-  
5 cane and storm damage reduction, Morganza to the Gulf  
6 of Mexico, Louisiana, substantially in accordance with the  
7 report of the Chief of Engineers, dated August 23, 2002,  
8 and the supplemental report dated July 22, 2003:

9 (1) The Houma Lock feature of the project.

10 (2) The Reach H–3, Reach J–2, Bush Canal  
11 floodgate, Point aux Chene floodgate, Reach H–2,  
12 Reach J–3, Reach J–1, and Placid Canal structural  
13 elements of the project

14 (b) **CREDIT.**—The Secretary shall credit toward the  
15 non-Federal share of the cost of the project elements the  
16 cost of design and construction work carried out by the  
17 non-Federal interest before the date of the partnership  
18 agreement for the project elements if the Secretary deter-  
19 mines that the work is integral to the project elements.

20 (c) **OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE.**—The operation,  
21 maintenance, repair, rehabilitation, and replacement of  
22 the Houma Navigation Canal lock complex and the Gulf  
23 Intracoastal Waterway floodgate features that provide for  
24 inland waterway transportation shall be a Federal respon-  
25 sibility, in accordance with the feasibility report dated

1 March 2002 and section 102 of the Water Resources De-  
2 velopment Act of 1986 (33 U.S.C. 2212).

3 (d) NAVIGATIONAL CONSISTENCY.—The Secretary  
4 shall maintain the Houma Navigation Canal at dimensions  
5 at least equal to those of the lock identified in subsection  
6 (c). The Houma Lock feature shall be implemented under  
7 an exclusive partnership agreement.

Passed the House of Representatives December 9  
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Attest:

KAREN L. HAAS,

*Clerk.*