Atchafalaya Basin Program seeks public input on Coon Trap Weir

September 11, 2015 – The Atchafalaya Basin Program would like to hear from you concerning the Coon Trap Weir in the Atchafalaya Basin Floodway. Built in 1991, the weir was designed by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to control flow from the Atchafalaya River into Keel Boat Pass. Over the years, stakeholders have asked for design changes, and with the recent high water, have voiced concerns that the weir allows excessive sedimentation in the receiving areas. Heeding these concerns, the Atchafalaya Basin Program intends to ask the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to close Coon Trap by bringing its height to that of the surrounding levee. If you have any questions or concerns about the possible closure of the Coon Trap Weir, please contact us at (225) 342-6437 or by emailing us at april.newman@la.gov.

