

CANAL Mermentau River Navigation		STATUS Abandoned			ACS																																	
STATE/PROVINCE: Louisiana					HAER																																	
COUNTIES: Cameron																																						
LOCATION (Endpoints of Canal): Lock was below LA 82 crossing of River?																																						
TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Bayou Labauve 7½' ?																																						
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HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE:

(The Catfish Point Control Structure is on the river at Grand Lake, Catfish Lake 7½' quad.)

Continue W from Intracoastal City on LA 82. Just beyond Grand Chenier is the Mermentau River crossing. There was once a lock and dam below this point, abandoned by 1917, but further information is lacking. At Grand Lake, about 17 miles upstream, and accessible only by water, is the CATFISH POINT CONTROL STRUCTURE (C of E), with three pairs of sector gates side-by-side (no chamber).

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PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION:

NAMES & ADDRESSES OF GROUPS CONCERNED WITH CANALS PRESERVATION/RESTORATION:

BIBLIOGRAPHICAL SUMMARY:

Mentioned, as above, in the Annual Reports of the Chief of Engineers. Perhaps local histories or sources may have further information. This lock is an example of privately built structures which may be re-discovered only through local inquiry.

UNPUBLISHED RECORDS, PHOTOS, DRAWINGS (CEHR, HAER, HABS, local or Regional Historical Societies, Libraries, etc.):

EXISTING OR RECOMMENDED LANDMARK STATUS (CEHR, National Register, etc.):

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DATE: 8 Oct 81

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