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The Honorable Gina McCarthy  
Administrator  
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency  
1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. (Mail Code 1101A)  
Washington, D.C. 20460

Re: Petition Urging this Administration to Stop the St. Johns Bayou/New Madrid Floodway Project

Dear Administrator McCarthy:

On behalf of more than 26,000 members of the public, the National Wildlife Federation submits the enclosed petition calling for a Clean Water Act veto of the St. Johns Bayou/New Madrid Floodway Project.

The signers to this petition join an extensive array of conservation organizations, social justice organizations, members of Congress, Mayors, community leaders, and editorial boards in calling for an end to this environmentally devastating and unjust project. The many requests for a Clean Water Act veto are calls to stop this project once and for all, and the National Wildlife Federation respectfully requests that your agency take action to achieve this goal.

Thank you for your leadership and for your commitment to protecting communities, the environment, and the nation's ability to thrive as the earth's climate continues to change.

Sincerely,

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Senior Water Resources Counsel

cc: Stan Meiburg, Acting Deputy Administrator  
Joel Beauvais, Deputy Assistant Administrator