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Seepage at Valley Park Levee Not a Threat but Sandbagging Underway

Water seepage was observed on the landside of the Valley Park Levee this morning near a railroad embankment. With rising river levels, seepage can occur, which is normal. There is no indication that this is a sandboil, nor is it a threat to the levee.

Army Corps of Engineers St. Louis District personnel are onsite and working with the City of Valley Park and their volunteer forces. The plan to contain the seepage is to construct a berm using sandbags. The City of Valley Park has organized volunteers who are currently sandbagging and as of late morning they are 80 percent complete with the berm.

Corps of Engineers personnel will be onsite 24 hours with the city until the crest arrives sometime tomorrow evening. The levee will be monitored regularly until and after the crest arrives.

Also this morning, the St. Louis District stood down its St. Charles County flood fight team, as the crest has passed there. Three teams remain activated and are providing engineering and technical expertise to levee districts and communities impacted by rising river levels.

Three hundred thousand sandbags have been distributed to county emergency management offices, which in turn are handling distribution to the public.

For information on river stages please call the District's Water Control Branch at 314-331-8342 or look online at the District's home page www.mvs.usace.army.mil. The District's Emergency Management Office is also open and can be reached at 314-331-8605.

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