

The Impact of Hurricane Katrina

Repair attempts failed and at least one new gap opened in the system of levees that surrounds New Orleans. But the inundation slowed midday as the water stopped rising.

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