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Public meetings scheduled for coastal restoration effort

NEW ORLEANS – The Corps of Engineers and the Louisiana Department of Natural Resources invite the public to the latest round of meetings being held to present the current status and solicit comments on a comprehensive coastwide ecosystem restoration study now underway.

Federal and state managers of the Louisiana Coastal Area (LCA) Study are asking the public to express concerns and provide comments on plans identified as the **most efficient** in this latest phase of the LCA process. Citizens participating in the plan formulation process helped identify restoration measures in the first series of meetings and an array of coastwide alternatives in the second round.

Comments from the public are an integral factor in the Corps planning process. The intent is to incorporate the comments into a comprehensive plan. That plan will serve as a blueprint for implementing projects resulting in environmental management and restoration of Louisiana's coastal wetlands.

The upcoming public meetings are scheduled as follows:

Monday, Aug. 4 – Belle Chasse Auditorium, 8398 Highway 23, Belle Chasse

Tuesday, Aug. 5 – Larose Civic Center, 307 East Fifth St., Larose

Wednesday, Aug. 6 – Morgan City Municipal Auditorium, 728 Myrtle St., Morgan City

Thursday, Aug. 7 – Cameron Parish Police Jury Room, 110 Smith Circle, Cameron

Meetings begin at 6 p.m. Open house begins at 5:30.

Members of the public unable to attend the meetings may submit their questions or comments to Troy Constance, CEMVN-PM-C, P.O. Box 60267, New Orleans, LA 70160-0267, or Jon Porthouse, DNR Project Management Section, P.O. Box 44027, Baton Rouge, LA 70804-4027.

Additional information on the Coast 2050 Plan and the LCA Study can be found at:
<http://www.coast2050.gov/> and <http://www.mvn.usace.army.mil/PRJ/LCA/index.asp>