



CWPPRA Regional Planning Team Meeting Reminder

The CWPPRA Regional Planning Teams (RPT) will conduct hybrid meetings (in-person with an option for virtual participation) for presentation of project proposals to be considered for the 34th Priority Project List (PPL 34). All proposals consistent with the state's 2023 Coastal Master Plan will be considered as possible nominees for the PPL 34 evaluation process. A lead agency will be assigned to each nominated project to develop fact sheets after the meetings. If you would like guidance on developing projects consistent with the master plan, contact Brandon Champagne of the Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority (CPRA) by email at brandon.champagne@la.gov. Suggested considerations for proposal development include: cost-effectiveness, synergy with other restoration projects, addressing critical areas of need, providing landbridge function and structural framework, and critical infrastructure protection.

RPT Presentation Requirements:

Those who wish to secure a spot on the agenda for their project proposal can fill out the PPL 34 project nomination form located in the announcements at: <https://www.mvn.usace.army.mil/Missions/Environmental/CWPPRA/> and send it to Terri.M.VonHoven@usace.army.mil by 23 January 2024. Please note that proposal presentations* must be **less than five minutes** in length with **no more than five slides** per project proposal.

Though not required, fact sheets and presentations are recommended to accompany your nomination form. Any factsheets submitted by the deadline will be posted online for reference during the meetings. Although virtual presentations will be allowed, those planning to present proposals are encouraged to attend the RPT meetings in person if possible.

** Note: proposed construction costs including contingency should be presented in \$5M range increments: \$0-\$5M, \$5M-\$10M, etc. It is also recommended that proposals include project vicinity maps.*

A coastwide electronic vote will occur on February 23, 2024 to select up to 22 nominees for Technical Committee approval. Details of the PPL 34 Planning Process can be found under Project Priority Lists at:

<http://www.mvn.usace.army.mil/Missions/Environmental/CWPPRA>

Regional Planning Team (RPT) Meetings

Jan. 30, 2024	9:30am	Region IV
Jan. 31, 2024	9:30am	Region III
Feb. 1, 2024	9:30am	Regions II & I

RPT Leaders

Kevin Roy, USFWS
Ron Boustany, NRCS
Terri Von Hoven, USACE & Brandon Champagne, CPRA

If you do not have access to a working computer or internet connection and need assistance, please contact Terri Von Hoven at 504-862-1744.

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<https://usace1.webex.com/meet/Terri.M.VonHoven>
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**Coastal Wetlands Planning, Protection and Restoration Act (CWPPRA)
Priority Project List 34
Regional Planning Team Meetings**

Region 4 – Lake Charles – January 30, 2024, 9:30 am

Region 3 – Morgan City – January 31, 2024, 9:30 am

Region 1 & 2 – Lacombe – February 1, 2024, 9:30 am

AGENDA

Meeting Purpose: The Regional Planning Teams (RPTs) will accept project and demonstration project nominations for developing the 34th Priority Project List (PPL34). Public comments are welcomed. RPTs will select PPL 34 nominees via electronic voting on February 23, 2024.

- 1. Welcome and Introductions**
RPT Team Leader, Louisiana Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority (CPRA), U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), CWPPRA Representatives, Parish Representatives, State Representatives, RPT members
- 2. PPL 34 Selection Process Brief Overview and Ground Rules for Today's PPL 34 Nomination Meeting (RPT Leader)**
- 3. Explanation of Coastwide Voting Process (RPT Leader)***
- 4. PPL 34 Project Nominations (Entire RPT)**
Nominees must be consistent with and support the state's 2023 Coastal Master Plan.
- 5. Announcements of upcoming PPL 34, Task Force, Technical Committee and Other Program Meetings**
- 6. Adjourn**

**Parishes within each basin will be asked to identify who will vote during the coastwide electronic vote by January 23rd.*

No additional projects will be nominated after the RPT meetings, nor will any significant changes to projects proposed at these meetings be allowed. Public comments will be heard during the meeting and additional written comments may be forwarded to the CWPPRA Program Manager, Kaitlyn Richard, by February 16, 2024 for dissemination to the CWPPRA agencies.

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