

**COASTAL WETLANDS PLANNING, PROTECTION
AND RESTORATION ACT**

TASK FORCE MEETING

January 11, 2000

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2000 Quail Drive, Baton Rouge, Louisiana

January 11, 2000
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COASTAL WETLANDS PLANNING, PROTECTION AND
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IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

TASK FORCE PROCEDURES

I. Task Force Meetings and Attendance

A. Scheduling/Location

The Task Force will hold regular meetings quarterly, or more often if necessary to carry out its responsibilities. When possible, regular meetings will be scheduled as to time and location prior to the adjournment of any preceding regular meeting.

Special meetings may be called upon request and with the concurrence of a majority of the Task Force members, in which case, the Chairperson will schedule a meeting as soon as possible.

Emergency meetings may be called upon request and with the unanimous concurrence of all members of the Task Force at the call of the Chairperson. When deemed necessary by the Chairperson, such meetings can be held via telephone conference call provided that a record of the meeting is made and that any actions taken are affirmed at the next regular or special meeting.

B. Delegation of Attendance

The appointed members of the Task Force may delegate authority to participate and actively vote on the Task Force to a substitute of their choice. Notice of such delegation shall be provided in writing to the Task Force Chairperson prior to the opening of the meeting.

C. Staff Participation

Each member of the Task Force may bring colleagues, staff or other assistants/advisors to the meetings. These individuals may participate fully in the meeting discussions but will not be allowed to vote.

D. Public Participation (see Public Involvement Program)

All Task Force meetings will be open to the public. Interested parties may submit written questions or comments that will be addressed at the next regular meeting.

II. Administrative Procedures

A. Quorum

A quorum of the Task Force shall be a simple majority of the appointed members of the Task Force, or their designated representatives.

B. Voting

Whenever possible, the Task Force shall resolve issues by consensus. Otherwise, issues will be decided by a simple majority vote, with each member of the Task Force having one vote. The Task Force Chairperson may vote on any issue, but must vote to break a tie. All votes shall be via voice and individual votes shall be recorded in the minutes, which shall be public documents.

C. Agenda Development/ Approval

The agenda will be developed by the Chairperson's staff. Task Force members or Technical Committee Chairpersons may submit agenda items to the Chairperson in advance. The agenda will be distributed to each Task Force member (and others on an distribution list maintained by the Chairperson's staff) within two weeks prior to the scheduled meeting date. Additional agenda items may be added by any Task Force member at the beginning of a meeting.

D. Minutes

The Chairperson will arrange for minutes of all meetings to be taken and distributed within two weeks after a meeting is held to all Task Force members and others on the distribution list.

E. Distribution of Information/ Products

All information and products developed by the Task Force members or their staffs will be distributed to all Task Force members normally within two weeks in advance of any proposed action in order to allow adequate time for review and comment, unless the information/ product is developed at the meeting or an emergency situation occurs.

III. Miscellaneous

A. Liability Disclaimer

To the extent permitted by the law of the State of Louisiana and Federal regulations, neither the Task Force nor any of its members individually shall be liable for the negligent acts or omissions of an employee, agent or representative selected with reasonable care, nor for anything the Task Force may do or refrain from doing in good faith, including the following: errors in judgement, acts done or committed on advice of counsel, or mistakes of fact or law.

B. Conflict of Interest

No member of the Task Force (or designated representative) shall participate in any decision or vote which would constitute a conflict of interest under Federal or State law. Any potential conflicts of interest must clearly be stated by the member prior to any discussion on the agenda item.

Coastal Wetlands Planning, Protection and Restoration Act

TASK FORCE MEETING

October 7, 1999

Minutes

I. INTRODUCTION

Opening comments were made by Colonel Thomas Julich, who convened the thirty-sixth meeting of the Louisiana Coastal Wetlands Conservation and Restoration Task Force at approximately 9:30 a.m. on October 7, 1999, in the District Assembly Room, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New Orleans District, New Orleans, Louisiana. The agenda is shown as enclosure 1. The Task Force was created by the Coastal Wetlands Planning, Protection and Restoration Act (CWPPRA, commonly known as the Breaux Act), which was signed to law (PL 101-646, Title III) by President Bush on November 29, 1990.

II. ATTENDEES

The attendance record for the Task Force meeting is presented as enclosure 2. Listed below are the six Task Force members.

Dr. Len Bahr, State of Louisiana
Mr. William Hathaway, Environmental Protection Agency
Mr. David Frugé, U.S. Department of the Interior
Mr. Don Gohmert, U.S. Department of Agriculture
Mr. James Burgess, U.S. Department of Commerce
COL Thomas Julich, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
All of the Task Force members were in attendance.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

Enclosure 3 is a copy of the minutes for the meeting held on August 4, 1999. There was no discussion of this item.

Motion by Dr. Len Bahr: To approve the minutes from the Task Force meeting held on August 4, 1999.

Second to motion: Mr. William Hathaway

Motion passed unanimously.

IV. TASK FORCE DECISIONS

A. Discussion and Decision on Cash Flow Recommendation.

Mr. Thomas Podany presented the proposed cash flow management standard operating procedure. Mr. James Burgess offered some recommended minor changes which were incorporated into the enclosed approved Cash Flow Management Standard Operating Procedure. A lengthy discussion followed. Mr. Burgess and Mr. Dave Fruge expressed their concern for reserving funds for the complex projects as they are developed. Mr. Martin Cancienne from Congressman Billy Tauzin's office, cautioned the Task Force about reserving a large amount of funds. Mr. Mark Davis of the Coalition to Restore Coastal Louisiana, likewise, urged the Task Force to move forward in implementing the Coast 2050 plan. Mr. Burgess asked that a statement that the cash flow management standard operating procedure only applies to the 9th PPL and thereafter be included in the minutes of the meeting.

Motion by Dr. Len Bahr: To adopt the cash flow management standard operating procedure as amended.

Second to motion: Mr. William Hathaway

Motion passed unanimously.

B. Approval of FY00 Planning Budget

Mr. Robert Schroeder presented the status of the Fiscal Year 1999 planning budget, a recommendation to permit the reprogramming of unallocated planning funds from prior years, and a recommendation for the Fiscal Year 2000 planning budget (enclosure 4). The Technical Committee recommended that the Task Force approve the following:

1. The current planning, evaluation, and selection process for Priority Project Lists will continue. Each year, no more than \$5.0 million will be set aside from out of the total available annual program allocation for planning, in accordance with Section 306 (a)(1) of PL 101-646. These funds shall remain available for budgeting and reprogramming during any fiscal year after the funds are set aside. The Task Force shall review unallocated funds from previous years and may program some or all of these funds in addition to the \$5.0 million for the current year.
2. The proposed Fiscal Year 2000 budget, which includes \$5.0 million of funds from the Fiscal Year 2000 Breaux Act allocation; \$600,000 returned for reprogramming from the Mississippi River, Sediment, Nutrient and Freshwater Redistribution Study; and \$937,749 of unallocated planning funds from previous fiscal years, for a total of \$6,537,749. The proposed budget includes funds in the amount of \$2,344,574 for conducting feasibility studies of complex projects from the 9th Priority Project List during Fiscal Year 2000 as well as funds in the amount of \$3,519,449 for General Planning and Program Participation (includes approximately \$1.9 million for completing 9th PPL and initiating 10th PPL). Mr. Dave Fruge expressed concern for the complex projects study plans and budgets. The Task Force wanted the complex project study plans reviewed with an emphasis on reducing costs. The outreach budget was called into question by Mr. Gohmert. Mr. Fruge suggested scaling back the outreach budget to \$350,000. A lengthy discussion of the

outreach program followed. Mr. Scott Wilson explained the proposed outreach budget. Colonel Julich directed Mr. Wilson to look at agency budgets. A revised budget will be presented at the next Task Force meeting.

Motion by Mr. James Burgess: To approve the Fiscal Year 2000 planning budget with the following two provisions: 1. That agencies can spend up to 50 percent of their budgets for complex projects until the cost estimates are revised. 2. That the outreach committee and the agencies can spend up to 75 percent of their budgets for outreach activities until the budget is revised.

Second to motion: Dr. Len Bahr

Motion passed unanimously.

V. INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Status of Funds in the Breaux Act Construction Program

Mr. Tom Podany presented the status of funds in the Breaux Act construction program. He stated that approximately \$33.9 million would be available for construction programming assuming that the program receives \$45 million in FY2000 funds. Mr. Dave Fruge stated that he had reason to believe that the FY 2000 Breaux Act allocation would be substantially more than \$45 million, perhaps as high as \$56 million. Mr. Podany also stated that approximately \$28 million were tied up in projects that were not moving forward at this point. Mr. Don Gohmert stated that the Natural Resources Conservation Service would enter into talks with the Louisiana Department of Natural Resources about deauthorizing the Violet Outfall management project. Mr. Podany stated that all final accounting on completed projects was not yet completed and approximately \$847,000 could be made available for reprogramming.

B. Status of the Development of FAX Voting Form and Procedures.

Mr. Tom Podany presented the current status of the development of a fax voting form and procedures. He stated that there were still some concerns to be worked out. Dr. Len Bahr stated that he would refrain from voting by fax as it might violate state law. Mr. James Burgess expressed his opinion that the vote should still go through the Technical Committee. Mr. Mark Davis suggested that the draft version of the fax voting form and procedures should be reviewed by the Corps Office of Counsel.

VI. ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMS

A. Mr. James Burgess told the Task Force about problems with the East Timbalier Island Restoration construction contract. He indicated that his agency would be requesting Task Force approval of a cost increase on the project by fax vote.

B. Colonel Thomas Julich asked the Task Force to consider a Fifi Island restoration project for possible inclusion on the 9th PPL. This represented an exception to the 9th PPL nomination process. Mr. Don Gohmert saw no problem with it. Mr. Martin Cancienne urged the Task Force to let it compete. Mr. James Burgess expressed concern that allowing the project to be considered at this late date could set a precedent. Mr. Randy Hanchey explained the project. Mr. Dave Fruge wanted to know if approval of the project was time sensitive and wanted the Corps regulatory staff to certify that the project was not a mitigation project and was not in a contaminated site. The issue was discussed at some length. Colonel Julich directed the Technical Committee to answer all of the concerns raised and let the project compete.

VII. DATE AND LOCATION OF NEXT TASK FORCE MEETING

The next Task Force meeting will be held at 9:30 a.m. on January 11, 2000, in Baton Rouge, Louisiana in the Louisiana Room of the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries Building. Final details will be provided via public notice and the CWPPRA Internet Web Page.

VIII. WRITTEN QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

No written questions or comments were received from the public.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

The Task Force Meeting was adjourned in the afternoon.

COASTAL WETLANDS PLANNING, PROTECTION AND RESTORATION ACT

SPECIAL TASK FORCE MEETING

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U.S. Army Corps of Engineers—New Orleans District
District Assembly Room
New Orleans, Louisiana

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9:30 a.m.

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Coastal Wetlands Planning, Protection and Restoration Act

TASK FORCE MEETING

August 4, 1999

Minutes

I. INTRODUCTION

Opening comments recognizing Messrs. Tim Osborn and Robert Tisdale for their contributions on behalf of the Task Force were made by Colonel Thomas Julich, who convened the thirty-fifth meeting of the Louisiana Coastal Wetlands Conservation and Restoration Task Force at 9:40 a.m. on August 4, 1999, in the University Center Bourbon Room 211B, University of New Orleans, New Orleans, Louisiana. The agenda is shown as enclosure 1. The Task Force was created by the Coastal Wetlands Planning, Protection and Restoration Act (CWPPRA, commonly known as the Breaux Act), which was signed to law (PL 101-646, Title III) by President Bush on November 29, 1990.

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Mr. James Burgess, U.S. Department of Commerce
COL Thomas Julich, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
All of the Task Force members were in attendance.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes for the meeting held on April 14, 1999, were discussed. Mr. Dave Frugé offered a correction to paragraph I., Barrier Shoreline Feasibility Study Presentation. The corrected cost figure in the last line is close to \$1 billion instead of \$84.5 million. Dr. Len Bahr made the motion to approve the minutes from the previous meeting. Mr. Dave Frugé seconded the motion and the minutes of the Task Force meeting held on April 14, 1999 (enclosure 3) were then approved unanimously.

IV. TASK FORCE DECISIONS

A. Consideration for Construction Approval or Approval of Cost Increases or Changes in Scope of Work for Prior Approved PPL Projects.

Mr. Robert Tisdale presented the recommendations of the Technical Committee pertaining to construction approval and approval of project cost increases for the following projects:

1. Barataria Bay Waterway West Bank Protection (BA-23) – PPL4 - NRCS
Although the fully funded project cost has increased by 51 percent, a previously approved O&M cost increase accounts for 29% and a previously approved monitoring cost increase accounts for 3 percent of the \$1,112,368 cost increase above the baseline \$2,192,419 cost.

2. Violet Outfall Management (PO-9a) – PPL3 - NRCS
The Technical Committee decided not to recommend approval after considering the magnitude of the project cost increase of \$5,006,000 above the \$1,821,000 baseline cost. The NRCS will meet with local officials to consider alternative solutions to the wetland problems in the project area before considering project deauthorization.

After a brief discussion during which Mr. Bill Hathaway directed the Technical Committee to provide updated program accounting information to the Task Force before decisions effecting the budget are considered.

Motion by Mr. Dave Frugé: To approve the recommendation of the Technical Committee to approve the Barataria Bay Waterway West Bank Protection Project for construction with a \$1,112,368 cost increase above the baseline \$2,192,419 cost.

Second to motion: Mr. James Burgess

Motion passed unanimously.

B. Consideration for Approval of Wave-Current Information System (WAVCIS)

Mr. Robert Tisdale presented the recommendation of the Technical Committee to approve the sum of \$100,000 to be taken from unprogrammed planning funds to be used for WAVIS. A lengthy discussion followed during which Mr. Dave Fruge questioned the use of planning dollars for research. Mr. Don Gohmert stated that WAVIS should be part of the Barrier Shoreline study.

Motion by Mr. Don Gohmert: To approve the recommendation of the Technical Committee.

Second to motion: Mr. James Burgess

Motion passed unanimously.

C. Confirmation of Approval for Funding of Additional Restoration Work – Point au Fer Island (Phase II) Restoration Project

Mr. Robert Tisdale presented the fax vote of the Task Force approving funding in the amount of approximately \$800,000 to extend the shoreline protection along Point Au Fer Island beyond what was included in the approved Point Au Fer Canal Plugs Project (PTE-22/24) sponsored by the National Marine Fisheries Service. A discussion followed with members of the Task Force expressing the need to develop a process for project modifications on approved projects in the future. Mr. Bill Hathaway reiterated his request for up to date budget data to be supplied prior to funding requests. Colonel Julich called for a public vote on the approval of funding in the amount of approximately \$800,000 to extend the shoreline protection along Point Au Fer Island. The motion passed unanimously. Dr. Bahr abstained.

D Presentation of Cash Flow Options Report and Recommendation to the Task Force from the Cash Flow Workgroup

Messrs. Randy Hanchey and Tom Podany presented the report of the Cash Flow Work Group for moving to a cash flow system of funding for Breaux Act projects. A lengthy discussion followed concerning both the ramifications of moving to a cash flow system as well as the specific details of the proposal at hand. Mr. James Burgess stressed the importance of the details of the initiative and the need to establish a minimum project cost effectiveness level for funding. He also stated the need for O&M details and sufficient funds for complex project analysis. Mr. Bill Hathaway suggested that money obligated by previously approved priority list projects could be made available. Mr. Randy Hanchey reported the work group's recommendation to begin cash flow funding with the 9th Priority Project List (PPL). Mr. Dave Frugé suggested using a 0-glide path for each new CWPPRA authorization. Mr. Mark Davis urged the Task Force not to adopt a 0- glide path policy and plan for the long term. The Task Force agreed to support the concept and work out the details later.

Motion by Mr. Bill Hathaway: That the Task Force agree to support the cash flow concept and meet within 60 days to work out the details.

Second to motion: Mr. Dave Frugé

Motion passed unanimously.

E. Approval of FY99 budget increase for Coast 2050 activities

Mr. Robert Tisdale presented the recommendation of the Technical Committee to approve a budget increase of \$50,000 for the Louisiana Department of Natural Resources (DNR) to the FY99 planning budget for Coast 2050 activities.

Motion by Mr. Dave Frugé: To approve the recommendation of the Technical Committee.

Second to motion: Mr. James Burgess

Motion passed unanimously.

F. Discussion of Agency Needs and Preferences in Relation to the Aerial Photography Completed in 1998.

Mr. Robert Tisdale presented the recommendation of the Technical Committee to approve the expenditure of \$25,000 of planning funds for the purchase of 1,000 CD's containing coastwide 1998 aerial photography and vegetative mapping.

Motion by Mr. Dave Frugé: To approve the recommendation of the Technical Committee.

Second to motion: Mr. Don Gohmert

Motion passed unanimously.

V. INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Agency Reports on Returning Funds from Approved Projects

Mr. Tom Podany briefed the Task Force on the status of the Technical Committee effort to identify excess funds that can be de-obligated in approved projects. He presented a list of projects with estimated excess funds identified to the Task Force. Mr. Hathaway asked the Technical Committee to produce a list of projects that are not moving forward presently. He suggested regular reports. Colonel Julich inquired about the mechanism in place to return funds. He directed the Technical Committee to establish a formal mechanism to return funds and provide a periodic review.

B. Presentation on Mississippi River Sediment, Nutrient, and Freshwater Redistribution Study (MRSNFR).

The Study Manager Mr. Axtman provided a presentation on the status of the MRSNFR Study to the Task Force. The presentation include a brief overview of the studies structure, its various analyses, the outcome of the analyses, methods for developing recommendations from the analyses, and several scenarios and timelines for addressing the alternatives and recommendations the study would produce. The Task Force was informed that a meeting of the Feasibility Study Steering Committee was scheduled for August 9th to address the proposed scenarios for completing the study.

Task Force representatives, with regard to the study, made several comments on its content in relation to the Coast 2050 Plan. The comments primarily concerned the MRSNFR report addressing in some form river diversion alternatives, included in both the MRSNFR and Coast 2050 studies, but not addressed in the MRSNFR intermediate array of alternatives. Mr. Axtman indicated that the potential merits of other alternatives identified in the Coast 2050 Plan but not analyzed as part of the intermediate array of alternatives would be addressed in the MRSNFR report

Mr. Axtman also referred to the MRSNFR Study Teams initial screening criteria, which indicated that the selected intermediate alternatives represented the best apparent

alternatives. The Study Team recognized and allowed that based on final analysis of these alternatives other similar alternatives could be found to be viable. The Study Team also recognized that some other alternatives, based on spatially identified needs rather than best opportunistic use of resources, could have merit. However, the best opportunistic use of the available resources was the selected plan formulation strategy for the MRSNFR Study.

C. Delivery of Status Reports

Mr. Tom Podany will report the status of the following initiatives:

a. Program Performance and Project Implementation;

b. Status of Non-Complex Projects on the 9th Priority Project List;
We are on schedule for the Task Force to select the 9thPPL in January 2000.

c. Status of Scopes of Work Development for Complex Projects on the 9th Priority Project List (PPL);
The Planning and Evaluation Subcommittee will meet to review the SOW's with the intent of making funding recommendations in September.

d. Status of Budget Development for Fiscal Year 2000;
The agencies are preparing their budgets on schedule for the Task Force to approve in late September.

e. Report to Congress;
The Report to Congress is being prepared by DNR and is on schedule to be submitted in 2000.

f. Feasibility Study Steering Committee;
The committee will meet on August 9.

g. Outreach Committee Report;

h. Atchafalaya Liaison Group;
The group will request approximately \$100,000 for additional modeling of the eastward flows in the GIWW.

i. Workgroup Report on Criteria-Based Selection Procedures.
The Technical Committee asked the work group to re-evaluate.

VI. ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMS

A. Mr. James Burgess discussed the need for budget data, project by project data, and a layout for budgeting of complex projects. Mr. Tom Podany addressed some of Mr. Burgess' concerns, assuring the Task Force that most of that data was available already.

B. Ms. Becky Weber, EPA, reported on the progress of the Mississippi River - Gulf Outlet (MR-GO) Policy Committee. Mr. Wes McQuiddy, EPA, further elaborated on the current status of the MR-GO closure evaluation. Mr. Randy Hanchey spoke of the current planning efforts by the Port of New Orleans and Governor Foster's Office regarding the relocation of containerized shipping facilities.

C. Dr. Len Bahr told the Task Force of FEMA's intention of becoming more involved with the MR-GO closure evaluation as it relates to disaster avoidance. Also, Mr. Rod Emmer will be a FEMA liaison in Len's office.

D. Mr. Randy Hanchey reported on the current status of DNR's oyster relocation initiative. There are still many issues to be resolved, especially costs. He stated that the program needs CWPPRA input.

VII. DATE AND LOCATION OF NEXT TASK FORCE MEETING

The next Task Force meeting will be held at 9:30 am on *November 16, 1999 in Baton Rouge, Louisiana in the Louisiana Room of the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries Building. Final details will be provided via public notice and the CWPPRA Internet Web Page.

* The next Task Force meeting has since been rescheduled for 9:30 a. m. on October 7, 1999 in New Orleans, Louisiana in the District Assembly Room, at the New Orleans District Corps of Engineers.

VIII. WRITTEN QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

No written questions or comments were received from the public.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

The Task Force Meeting was adjourned at 2:45 p. m.

COASTAL WETLANDS PLANNING, PROTECTION AND RESTORATION ACT

MEETING OF THE
LOUISIANA COASTAL WETLANDS CONSERVATION AND RESTORATION TASK FORCE

University Center Bourbon Room 211B
University of New Orleans
New Orleans, Louisiana

August 4, 1999
9:30 a.m.

AGENDA

- I. Meeting Initiation.
 - a. Introduction of Task Force Members or Alternates
 - b. Opening Remarks by Task Force Members
- II. Adoption of Minutes from April 14, 1999 Meeting.
- III. Agency Reports on Returning Funds from Approved Projects.
- IV. Consideration for Approval of Cost Increases and/or Changes in Scope of Work for Prior Approved PPL Projects.
 - a. Barataria Bay Waterway West
 - b. Violet Canal Outfall
- V. Consideration for Approval of Wave-Current Information System (WAVCIS).
- VI. Consideration for Approval for Funding of Additional Restoration Work – Point au Fer Island (Phase II) Restoration Project.
- VII. Presentation of Cash Flow Options Report and Recommendation to the Task Force from the Cash Flow Workgroup.
- VIII. Approval of FY99 Budget Increase for Coast 2050 Activities.
- IX. Discussion of Agency Needs and Preferences in Relation to the Aerial Photography Completed in 1998.
- X. Presentation on Mississippi River Sediment, Nutrient, and Freshwater Redistribution Study (MRSNFR).

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- XI. Delivery of Status Reports:
 - a. Program Performance and Project Implementation;
 - b. Status of Non-Complex Projects on the 9th Priority Project List;
 - c. Status of Scopes of Work Development for Complex Projects on the 9th Priority Project List
 - d. Status of Budget Development for Fiscal Year 2000;
 - e. Report to Congress;
 - f. Feasibility Study Steering Committee;
 - g. Outreach Committee Report;
 - h. Atchafalaya Liaison Group;
 - i. Workgroup Report on Criteria-Based Selection Procedures.
- XII Additional Agenda Items
- XIII Request for Public Comments.
- XIV. Date and Location of the Next Task Force Meeting.



ATTENDANCE RECORD






DATE(S) August 4, 1999 9:30 a.m.	SPONSORING ORGANIZATION COASTAL WETLANDS PLANNING, PROTECTION AND RESTORATION ACT	LOCATION Bourbon Room University Center University of New Orleans New Orleans, Louisiana
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k. Programming and Budgeting of Project Funds. The Breaux Act project approval and budgeting process is to be accomplished in two phases as described below. Approval and budgeting of phase one would not guarantee approval and budgeting of phase two, which would involve competition among successful projects from phase one. Each year the Task Force would have one meeting (referred to below as the Annual Budgeting Meeting) at which both a priority project list and a construction funding list are selected. The Task Force will review the process each year to determine the effect on the overall program and may decide at any time to modify the process. The Planning and Evaluation Subcommittee will provide a quarterly report on the total funds associated with all phases of approved projects versus the estimated total funding available through the current authorization and estimate at what point these two values would be approximately equal (currently estimated to be year 7 of a 10 year authorization).

- (1) The current planning, evaluation, and selection process for Priority Project Lists will continue. Each year, no more than \$5.0 million will be set aside from out of the total available annual program allocation for planning, in accordance with Section 306 (a) (1) of PL 101-646. These funds shall remain available for budgeting and reprogramming during any fiscal year after the funds are set aside. At the Annual Budgeting Meeting the Task Force shall review unallocated funds from previous years and may program some or all of these funds in addition to the \$5.0 million for the current year. Nevertheless, in no case will more than \$5.0 million be set aside annually for planning from the total available annual program allocation.
- (2) During the annual planning process, projects will be divided into two categories: complex vs. noncomplex. Complex projects are projects that require more than one-year evaluation to determine the advisability of progressing to Phase 1, the Engineering and Design phase. Complex projects would then compete at an Annual Budgeting Meeting on a subsequent Priority Project List for Phase 1 authorization, along with that year's noncomplex projects. Noncomplex projects are those projects that generally can be evaluated in less than one year.
- (3) During the evaluation of Priority Project List Candidate projects, lead agencies will provide cost estimates and spending schedules for each project to the Planning and Evaluation Subcommittee prior to project ranking. Spending schedules will be developed through the end of the project life. The cost estimates and schedules will be comprised of the following subcategories:

Subcategory A. Engineering and Design (includes Engineering and Design, Real Estate Requirements, Environmental Clearances and Permitting, Project Management)

Subcategory B. Preconstruction Biological Monitoring

Subcategory C. Construction (includes Project Management, Contract, and Construction Supervision and Inspection)

Subcategory D. Post Construction Biological Monitoring and

Subcategory E. Operation and Maintenance.

- (4) The Engineering Work Group will review these estimates for consistency among projects. The Planning and Evaluation Subcommittee will provide a table of these subcategories along with the candidate project rankings to the Technical Committee.
- (5) The Technical Committee will review the project rankings along with the project budget requirements and schedules. The Technical Committee will determine a recommended cutoff point, based on project cost effectiveness and other criteria, as well as the consensus of the committee on the size of the budget for these projects to recommend to the Task Force.

Phase One

- (6) At the Annual Budgeting Meeting, the Task Force will review the Priority Project List to determine which projects to approve. In the first year, projects will generally receive budget approval for all Engineering and Design and Preconstruction Monitoring, even though these activities may take 2 to 3 years. During the second and third year the project may not need additional funding (unless Subcategories A and B require additional funds or the project is ready to begin construction). Priority Project Lists for subsequent years will also follow this procedure.
- (7) The Technical Committee will provide a status report at each Task Force meeting on each of the five funding subcategories to include expenditures, obligations, and disbursements.
- (8) Lead agencies shall develop a detailed plan of work for accomplishing Phase 1. This plan shall include a detailed task list, time line with specific milestones, and budget which breaks out specific tasks such as geo-technical evaluations, hydrological investigations, modeling, and surveying. The plans shall be developed within 3 months of Phase 1 approval and shall be reviewed by the P&E Subcommittee. The Lead Agency and Local Sponsor shall conduct a preliminary design review at 30 percent completion of Phase 1. This review will verify the viability of the project. This review must indicate the project is viable before there are expenditures of additional Phase One funds. A written summary of the review shall be provided to the P&E Subcommittee who shall make a recommendation on whether to proceed with the project.
- (9) After the 30 percent design review, the State must submit a work plan and time line for preconstruction monitoring.
- (10) Lead agencies shall ensure that real estate acquisition of easements requiring a significant expenditure of funds and preconstruction monitoring are not begun

until the Engineering and Design is substantially completed and there is a reasonably high level of certainty that the project will proceed to the next phase. The purchasing of real estate shall not occur until Phase 2. Preliminary real estate investigations, including preliminary ownership determination and initial contact with property owners, should be initiated early in the project design activities. See diagram below.

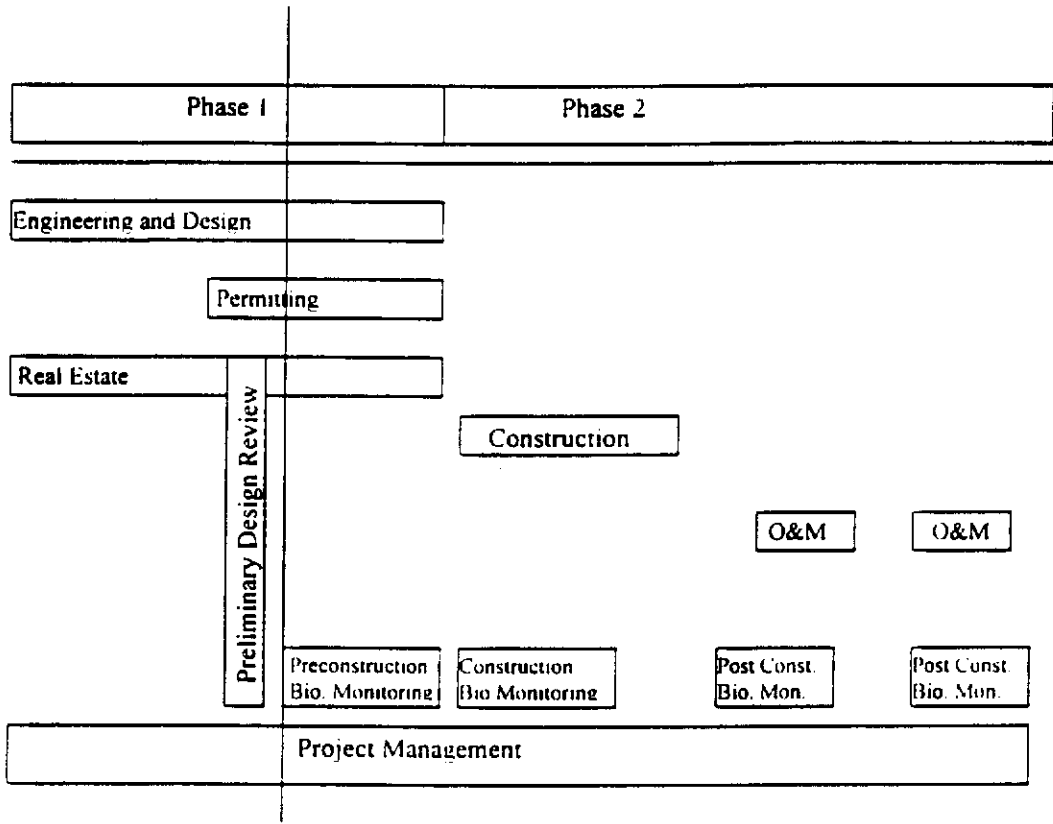


Figure 1. Sequence of Activities Associated with Project Execution

Phase Two

(11) Each year, all projects requesting construction budget approval will be evaluated at the same time at the Annual Budgeting Meeting. Lead agencies should provide a list of projects eligible for Phase Two approval. Projects shall not be eligible for Phase Two funding until the following items are completed: a favorable Preliminary Design Review, final project design with revised cost estimates, application for and/or issuance of public notices for NEPA and other necessary regulatory approvals. Section 303(e) approval, and completion of preliminary ownership investigations that include documentation of initial contact with landowners and the provision of draft land rights instruments to affected landowners with a 30-day period for landowner comment. The request

for construction approval should include an updated analysis of costs of all schedules, as well as a revised Wetland Value Assessment that was undertaken based on the results of the engineering and design phase. Projects shall compete against each other for funding.

- (12) At the Annual Budgeting Meeting, at the time that a lead agency requests construction approval, it shall provide an estimate of the project based on the 5 subcategories along with a spending schedule. The Task Force shall generally fund the entire amount of Subcategory C (Construction) and the first 3 years of both Subcategory D (Post Construction Monitoring) and Subcategory E (Operations and Maintenance) upon project approval. At subsequent Annual Budgeting Meetings, the Lead Agency and the State should request approval to maintain 3 years of Subcategory D and E funding for each approved project; however, any additional funding (after the initial 3-year funding) shall not be authorized until project construction is completed. This programming procedure will ensure that, at any one time, an approved project has funding approval for about 3 years of Subcategories D and E.
- (13) Once the Task Force approves funding for Subcategory D and E at the Annual Budgeting Meeting, the New Orleans District shall prepare MIPRs to the State and other participating agencies (National Wetlands Research Center), one for each subcategory. Each MIPR will list all the projects funded for the 3-year period, the amount of funding associated with that project, and the total. The State will manage these funds programmatically, occasionally moving funds among projects when necessary. At each quarterly Task Force meeting, the State shall provide a report to the Task Force of total available funds and how the funds are being spent by project. Adjustments to estimates shall be made for projects within the total amount made available for each subcategory. Lead agencies are responsible for providing oversight to ensure that funds are expended in these subcategories in accordance with the plans developed for these projects. The State shall request approval, on a case by case basis, from all affected Lead Agencies for any transfer of funds between projects and/or between subcategories. Lead Agencies shall respond to such requests within 10 working days of the State's request; responses not received within 10 days may be deemed by the State as Lead Agency approval.
- (14) Lead Agencies shall maintain oversight over the State's expenditure of Subcategories D and E funds. The State shall submit invoices, requests for work-in-kind credits, etc., to the Lead Agency for its review. Subsequent to its review and approval of the expenditures, the Lead Agency shall forward the appropriate documentation to the Corps for payment.
- (15) From time to time there will be projects that have completed construction, but that need modification to ensure their success, cover a design deficiency, or to handle some critical unanticipated requirement. Lead agencies may make a request through the Planning and Evaluation Subcommittee to the Task Force for funding of such modifications. In its recommendation to the Task Force, the Planning and Evaluation Subcommittee will make a determination whether the funds are needed

to meet a time critical requirement or whether funding could be postponed for consideration during the Annual Budgeting Meeting.

- (16) Subsequent to the annual budgeting meeting, lead agencies may make a request to the committees at any time for additional funding that is needed for the current fiscal year when there is evidence that the project is progressing faster than expected, as long as those funds are utilized for the current phase of the project. Lead agencies shall specify under which subcategory additional funding is being requested.
- (17) Each quarter, Lead Agencies will review funds within each approved project under their purview and determine whether funds may be returned to the Task Force. Funds may be returned to the Task Force by the simple deobligation process covered in paragraph "1" below. Lead agencies should provide the status of potential obligations in the "Remarks" section of the program summary database. If construction award has not occurred within 2 years of Phase 2 project approval, the Phase 2 funds will be placed on a revocation list for consideration by the Task Force at the next Task Force meeting. Requests to restore these funds may be considered at subsequent Annual Budgeting Meetings.

I. Funds Disbursements.

- (1) Upon approval to begin Engineering and Design (ED) by the Task Force, the Corps of Engineers will issue to the Lead Agency a MIPR in the amount requested to cover up to a maximum of 85% of the ED phase, as described in paragraph 5.d.
- (2) Upon approval to begin construction by the Task Force and deposit by the Local Sponsor of the required funds into the escrow account, the lead agency shall request that the Corps of Engineers a MIPR in the amount to cover the total construction and related costs of the project.
- (3) In those cases where the Local Sponsor's annual work-in-kind plus cash contribution exceeds the Project expenditures required cost sharing percentage, and at the request of the Lead Agency, the Corps of Engineers will disburse funds directly to the Local Sponsor to bring the Project expenditures to the required cost sharing. The Lead Agency must approve the "work-in-kind" exceedance in advance.
- (4) Each quarter, agencies shall review all projects approved for funding in phases 1 or 2, identify excess funds in those phases, and make a recommendation to the Task Force as to how much of these funds to return at that time. Returned funds shall be available for reprogramming. At the Annual Budgeting Meeting, the Task Force may also consider reprogramming excess funds that have not yet been returned to the Task Force. Agencies may return funds by returning a MIPR to the Corps of Engineers with a request to deobligate funds.

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	FY95 Amount (\$)	FY96 Amount (\$)	FY97 Amount (\$)	FY98 Amount (\$)	FY99 Amount (\$)	FY2000 Amount (\$)
<u>General Planning & Program Participation</u>						
State of Louisiana						
DNR	416,700	495,500	371,100	360,073	529,026	619,631
Gov's Ofc	94,200	84,900	95,300	93,505	100,838	102,600
LDWF	20,000	20,000	15,800	15,800	15,800	19,000
Total State	530,900	600,400	482,200	469,378	645,664	741,231
EPA	252,300	310,700	354,700	346,270	477,627	471,698
Dept of the Interior						
USFWS	152,400	183,600	235,800	232,136	373,311	309,336
NWRC	87,500	67,800	73,200	45,219	107,632	108,476
USGS Reston		8,800	8,800	8,800	8,800	8,360
USGS Baton Ro	7,800	10,600	12,000	12,000	0	0
Natl Park Servi	0	0	0	0	3,500	3,325
Total Interior	247,700	270,800	329,800	298,155	493,243	429,497
Dept of Agriculture	509,500	595,900	434,900	438,099	498,217	490,849
Dept of Commerce	331,900	304,800	317,300	335,909	399,776	514,639
Dept of the Army	759,200	862,100	792,000	673,801	855,964	871,536
Agency Total	2,631,500	2,944,700	2,710,900	2,561,612	3,370,491	3,519,449
<u>Feasibility Studies Funding</u>						
Barrier Shoreline Study	1,007,000	594,400 ⁹	107,600 ⁹	200,000 ⁸		
Study of Chenier Plain				350,000	200,000	
Miss R Diversion Study	919,900	993,000 ⁴	1,457,600 ³	562,900	75,000	
Total Feasibility Studies	1,926,900	1,587,400	1,565,200	1,112,900	275,000	
<u>Complex Studies Funding</u>						
Beneficial Use Sediment Trap Below Venice (COE)						317,679
Barataria Barrier Shoreline (NMFS)						586,179
Diversion into Maurepas Swamp (EPA/COE)						450,179
Holly Beach Segmented Breakwaters (DNR)						318,179
Central & Eastern Terrebonne Basin						336,179
Freshwater Delivery (USFWS)						336,179
Delta Building Diversion Below Empire (COE)						336,179
Total Complex Studies						2,344,574

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Miscellaneous Funding						
Academic Advisory Gr	117,000	75,000	115,000 7	95,000	100,000	100,000
Public Outreach	56,050	129,000	165,000 6	275,000	296,043 11	313,500
GIS/Oyster Lease Maps	40,000		105,100 5	80,264	85,086	33,726
COAST 2050 (DNR)			239,000 10	827,800	81,235 15	
COAST 2050 (NWRC)					29,765 12	
NWRC Mntnrg		62,000 1	0	0	90,000	66,500
Model flows Atch River Modeling						95,000
Digital Soil Survey (NRCS/NWRC)						40,000
MR-GO Evaluation						25,000
Purchase 1700 Frames 1998					23,800	
Photography (NWRC) *						
WAVCIS (DNR) *					100,000 13	
CDROM Development (NWRC) *					25,000 14	
Reformat GIS Land Loss Data*					35,000	
DNR Video Repro	1,000					
Gov's Office Workshop			15,000			
GIWW Data collection			68,000			
Total Miscellaneous	214,050	266,000	707,100	1,278,064	865,929	673,726
Total Allocated	4,772,450	4,798,100	4,983,200	4,952,576	4,511,420	6,537,749
Unallocated Balance	227,550	201,900	16,800	47,424	488,580	0
Total Unallocated	227,550	429,450	446,250	493,674	982,254 16	44,505
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<u>FY95</u>	<u>FY96</u>	<u>FY97</u>	<u>FY98</u>	<u>FY99</u>	<u>FY2000</u>
<u>Amount (\$)</u>	<u>Amount (\$)</u>	<u>Amount (\$)</u>	<u>Amount (\$)</u>	<u>Amount (\$)</u>	<u>Amount (\$)</u>

- 1 amended 28 Feb 96
- 2 \$700 added for printing, 15 Mar 96 (TC)
- 3 transfer \$600k from '97 to '98
- 4 transfer \$204k from MRSNFR TO Barrier Shoreline Study
- 5 increase of \$15.1k approved on 24 Apr 97
- 6 increase of \$35k approved on 24 Apr 97
- 7 increase of \$40k approved on 26 Jul 97 from Corps Planning Funds
- 8 Original \$550 in Barrier Shoreline Included \$200k to complete Phase 1 EIS, and \$350k to develop Phase 2 feasibility scope.
- 9 Assumes a total of \$420,000 is removed from the Barrier Shoreline Study over 2 years from Phase 1 EIS
- 10 Excludes \$20k COE, \$5k NRCS, \$5k DNR, \$2kUSFWS, and \$16k NMFS moved to Coast 2050 during FY 97 for contracts & @\$255k absorbed in agency FY 97 budgets for a total of \$303,000.
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- 11 Additional \$55,343 approved by Task Force for video documentary
- 12 \$29,765 transferred from DNR Coast 2050 to NWRC Coast 2050 for evaluation of Report.
- 13 \$100,000 approved for WAVCIS at 4 Aug 99 Task Force meeting.
- 14 Task Force approved 4 Aug 99.
- 15 Task Force approved additional \$50,000 at 4 Aug 99
- 16 This number is being researched at present.
- 17 Funds given up by MRSNFR for FY 2000 budget.

COASTAL WETLANDS PLANNING, PROTECTION AND RESTORATION ACT

TASK FORCE MEETING

January 11, 2000

STATUS OF FUNDS IN THE BREAUX ACT CONSTRUCTION PROGRAM

For Information and Discussion.

Mr. Tom Podany will brief the Task Force on the status of funds in the Breaux Act construction program. Enclosure 2 indicates that the sum of \$25,838,212 is available for new projects in FY2000 if all potential cost increases or decreases are considered and all excess funds are returned. The following tables are enclosed:

1. Status of Construction Funds - These are project estimates that have been approved by the Task Force.
2. Construction Program Potential Cost Changes - These are potential cost increases or decreases.
3. Projects Returning Excess Funds - These are estimates of funds to be returned from completed and almost completed projects. Final accounting has not been done.
4. Projects That Have Not Started Construction - These are projects that have not preceded to construction within five years of approval on a priority list.
5. CWPPRA Project Summary Report by Priority List - This is summary information furnished to the CWPPRA database by the sponsoring agencies as approved by the Task Force.

STATUS OF CWPRA CONSTRUCTION FUNDS

P/L	Total No. of Projects	Current Estimate (a)	Expenditures thru 30 Nov 97 (b)	Expenditures 1 Dec 97 thru Present (c)	Unexpended Funds (d)	75% x Current Est (e)	Federal Cost Share 75% x Expd (P/L 0-4) + 85% x Unexp (P/L 0-4) + 90% Cur Est (PL 5 & 6) + 85% x Cur Est (P/L 7 & 8) (f)	Non-Federal Cost Share 25% x Expd (P/L 0-4) + 15% x Unexp (P/L 0-4) + 10% Cur Est (PL 5 & 6) + 15% x Cur Est (P/L 7 & 8) (g)	Increase Over Orig 75% Cost (f-e)
0	1	143,855	123,202	20,653	0	107,891	109,957	33,899	2,065
1	17	46,982,636	13,032,439	6,593,745	27,356,452	35,236,977	38,631,997	8,350,640	3,395,020
2	15	57,483,711	11,483,619	21,669,485	24,328,607	43,112,784	47,712,593	9,771,120	4,599,809
3	17	47,915,273	9,709,507	13,316,504	24,889,262	35,936,455	39,757,031	8,158,243	3,820,577
4	10	24,055,510	351,804	2,912,852	20,790,854	18,041,633	20,412,003	3,643,508	2,370,371
5	9	49,363,701	2,510,811	3,718,800	43,134,090	37,022,776	44,427,331	4,936,370	7,404,555
6	13	57,013,657	190,865	1,346,980	55,525,812	42,760,243	51,312,291	5,701,366	8,552,049
7	4	21,245,973	0	87,316	21,158,657	15,934,480	18,059,077	3,186,896	2,124,597
8	6	17,288,317	0	10,447	17,277,870	12,966,238	14,695,069	2,593,248	1,728,832
Total	92	321,492,633	37,404,246	49,626,782	234,461,605	241,119,475	275,117,349	46,375,289	33,997,874

Available Fed Funds	273,065,062
Available N/F Funds	46,375,289
Total Available Funds	319,440,351
Federal Balance	(2,052,287)
N/F Balance	0
Total Balance	(2,052,287)

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Notes:

- (1) Includes Federal construction work allowances through FY 99. FY 2000 is anticipated to be approximately \$48,920,000.
- (2) Project total includes 80 active projects, 11 deauthorized projects, and the Conservation Plan.
- (3) Includes the 4 approved funded projects on PL 7 (\$13,934,710).
 Includes 11 deauthorized projects:
 Fourchon White's Ditch
 Bayou LaCaché Avoca Island SW Shore/White Lake
 Dewitt-Rollover Bayou Boeuf (Phasol)
 Bayou Perou/Rigo Grand Bay
 Eden Isles Pass-a-Loutre Crevasse
- (4) Includes monitoring estimate increases approved at 23 July 98 Task Force meeting
- (5) Expenditures are through 30 Nov 97 and do not reflect all non-Federal WIK credits, costs are being reconciled.
- (6) Non-Federal available funds are unconfirmed.
- (7) Bayou Perou/Rigolettes (PL 3) grant remains open (project is deauthorized). Current estimate carried is \$30,488,888. Preliminary close-out expenditures total \$17,145,888. This would decrease the current estimate by \$1,827,604.12.
- (8) Includes O&M revised estimates, dated 1 March 1999.