

**BREAUX ACT**  
**Coastal Wetlands Planning, Protection and Restoration Act**

**TASK FORCE MEETING**  
**12 May 2016**

**Minutes**

**I. INTRODUCTION**

Colonel Richard Hansen convened the 91st meeting of the Louisiana Coastal Wetlands Conservation and Restoration Task Force. The meeting began at 9:30 a.m. on May 12, 2016, at the US Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) Estuarine and Habitat Center in Lafayette, LA. 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 into law (PL 101-646, Title III) by President George Bush on November 29, 1990.

**II. ATTENDEES**

The attendance record for the Task Force Meeting is presented as Enclosure 2. Listed below are the Task Force Members who were present.

Colonel Richard Hansen, Chairman, US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE)  
Mr. Jeffrey Weller, USFWS  
Mr. Kevin Norton, Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS)  
Mr. Bren Haase, State of Louisiana, Governor's Office of Coastal Activities (GOCA),  
sitting in for Mr. Johnny Bradberry  
Mr. Chris Doley, National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS)  
Ms. Karen McCormick, US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), sitting in for Mr.  
Bill Honker

**III. OPENING REMARKS**

Colonel Hansen introduced himself, welcomed everyone, and asked the members of the Task Force to introduce themselves.

Mr. Kevin Norton announced that this will be Colonel Hansen's last meeting as Chairman of the CWPPRA Task Force. He has received a new assignment in Afghanistan. Mr. Norton, on behalf of the Task Force, recognized Colonel Hansen for his leadership from 2013 to 2016. He added that the Task Force appreciates his service to CWPPRA, and more importantly, his service to the country. The Task Force presented a certificate to Colonel Hansen. Colonel Hansen stated that he has been very fortunate to serve the last three years as the Chairman of the Task Force.

Colonel Hansen explained that the public would be given the opportunity to comment on each agenda item and that each commenter should provide their name and affiliation so that their

comments could be included in the official record. All attendees should sign in at the entrance to the conference room.

Mr. Brad Inman, USACE, reminded the public that the January Task Force meeting was cancelled due to the high water event. The Task Force made several decisions via electronic vote, including adoption of the October Task Force Meeting minutes, approval of the Technical Committee’s recommendation to rescind deauthorization and initiate the transfer process for CS-53, and approval of the following Phase I and Phase II projects.

Project Priority List (PPL) 25 Projects Phase I Funding Approvals:

<b>PPL 25 Projects</b>	<b>Agency</b>	<b>Phase I Increment I Cost</b>
Fritchie Marsh Creation and Terracing	NMFS	\$3,033,294
Barataria Bay Rim Marsh Creation	NRCS	\$2,693,708
Oyster Lake Marsh Creation and Nourishment	NMFS	\$3,608,939
Caminada Headlands Back Barrier Marsh Creation Increment #2	EPA	\$3,034,310
East Leeville Marsh Creation and Nourishment	NMFS	\$4,026,090

PPL 25 Demonstration Project Approval:

<b>PPL 25 Demonstration Project</b>	<b>Agency</b>	<b>Fully Funded Cost</b>
Shoreline Protection, Preservation, and Restoration (SPPR) Panel	NMFS	\$2,215,514

Phase II Project Approvals:

<b>Phase II Projects</b>	<b>Agency</b>	<b>Phase II Increment I Cost</b>
Hydrologic Restoration and Planting in Lac Des Allemands Swamp	EPA	\$2,857,761
Cole’s Bayou Marsh Restoration	NMFS	\$21,032,685
Rockefeller Gulf Shoreline Stabilization	NMFS	\$30,928,838

Colonel Hansen asked if the Task Force had any opening comments or changes to the agenda. There were no comments or changes to the agenda from the Task Force.

*Mr. Haase made a motion to adopt the agenda as written. Mr. Weller seconded. The motion was passed by the Task Force.*

## **V. TASK FORCE DECISIONS**

### **A. Agenda Item #5 – Report/Decision: Upcoming 20-Year Life Projects**

Mr. Inman, representing the Planning and Evaluation (P&E) Subcommittee, presented the recommended paths forward for the upcoming 20-year life projects. He explained that the first

CWPPRA Phase II projects were constructed in 1994, and those projects reached their 20-year project lives in 2014. At that time, a project matrix was developed to evaluate projects reaching the end of their 20-year life; this project matrix is now required at Year 15 by the CWPPRA Standard Operating Procedures (SOP). The P&E Subcommittee grouped the evaluated projects into three categories according to their recommendation for end-of-life disposition.

The following projects are requesting approval for project closeout with no additional cost increase.

- a. Projects requesting approval for project closeout with no additional cost increase:

CS-24	Perry Ridge Shore Protection	NRCS	Feb 2019
TE-26	Lake Chapeau Sediment Input & Hydrologic Restoration	NMFS	May 2019
TE-20	Isles Dernieres East Island	EPA	June 2019
TE-24	Isles Dernieres Trinity Island	EPA	June 2019
TV-12	Little Vermilion Bay Sediment Trapping	NFMS	Aug 2019
TE-27	Whiskey Island Restoration	EPA	June 2020

Mr. Inman explained that the Technical Committee recommended that these six projects be closed out with no additional cost increase. However, he also noted that the Task Force's decision is not necessarily final because it is based on current conditions, which could change over the next five years, and the Task Force can change the project disposition in response to changing conditions as necessary. Making a decision now helps CWPPRA predict their financial situation going forward.

Colonel Hansen opened the floor to comments from the Task Force. There were no comments from the Task Force.

Colonel Hansen opened the floor to comments from the public.

Mr. Ralph Libersat, Vermilion Parish Coastal Committee, complimented Rick Hartman and John Foret with NMFS for the efforts they have made related to the Little Vermilion Bay Sediment Trapping (TV-12) Project. Mr. Libersat stated that this project could be closed out with no additional costs, but that the Parish has worked closely with NMFS to get additional funding for some necessary maintenance. The work will probably be performed in conjunction with the recently-approved Cole's Bayou Marsh Restoration Project, which will lessen the burden of the maintenance event and save CWPPRA dollars. Mr. Libersat expressed his appreciation for the effort that NMFS made to work with the Parish.

The following projects are requesting approval for early project closeout with no additional cost increase.

- b. Projects requesting approval for early project closeout with no additional cost increase:

TE-30	East Timbalier Island, Ph 2	NMFS	Jan 2020
TE-25	East Timbalier Island, Ph 1	NMFS	May 2021
BA-28	Vegetative Plantings on Grand Terre Island	NMFS	July 2021
PO-27	Chandeleur Islands Marsh Restoration	NMFS	July 2021

Mr. Inman reported that the Technical Committee recommended approval for early project closeout for these four projects. These projects were identified as needing no additional work. They have been fiscally closed for several years, and this decision would allow them to be formally closed out and archived.

Colonel Hansen opened the floor to comments from the Task Force. There were no comments from the Task Force.

Colonel Hansen opened the floor to comments from the public. There were no public comments.

The following project is requesting approval to conduct a formal evaluation to pursue a project extension.

c. Projects requesting approval to pursue project extension through formal evaluation:

TV-04	Cote Blanche Hydrologic Restoration	NRCS	Dec 2018
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Mr. Inman reported that the Technical Committee recommended approval to pursue project extension through formal evaluation for the TV-04 Project. If approved, the project would go to the Environmental and Engineering Work Groups to determine if it has been successful and what costs would be associated with extending the project. Then, the Technical Committee and Task Force would use the Work Groups' evaluation to decide whether to spend those funds to extend the project.

Colonel Hansen opened the floor to comments from the public. There were no public comments.

Colonel Hansen opened the floor to comments from the Task Force. There were no comments from the Task Force.

*Mr. Doley made a motion to accept the Technical Committee recommendation to approve the path forward for projects requesting approval for project closeout with no additional cost increase. Mr. Norton seconded. The motion was passed by the Task Force.*

*Mr. Doley made a motion to accept the Technical Committee recommendation to approve the path forward for projects requesting approval for early project closeout with no additional cost increase. Mr. Haase seconded. The motion was passed by the Task Force.*

*Mr. Norton made a motion to accept the Technical Committee recommendation to approve the path forward for the TV-04 project requesting approval to pursue project extension through formal evaluation: Mr. Haase seconded. The motion was passed by the Task Force.*

## **B. Agenda Item #6 – Report/Decision: FY16 Planning Budget Revision**

Mr. Darryl Clark, USFWS, reported that Agenda Item #6 is a formal request to add a line item to the FY 2016 and subsequent years' Planning budgets for training, conferences, and workshops. Some agencies are allowed to use overhead funds for these activities, but for the remaining agencies the addition of this line item will add clarity in the event of an audit. Currently these activities are usually included under Program Management; one agency was recently investigated by their Inspector General and questioned regarding training funding. Approval of this request will not increase the Planning budget, but will simply create a new line item. Each agency will have the right to reallocate funds from other categories to the new line item as appropriate.

Colonel Hansen opened the floor to comments from the Task Force.

Mr. Norton stated that the CWPPRA Program is an incubator of innovation for coastal restoration, and the agencies' staffs make presentations at conferences and exchange information, which strengthen the Program over time. Having a line item in the budget for these activities is the right thing to do to provide clarity and ensure future opportunities to participate in these kinds of events. Mr. Doley concurred.

Colonel Hansen added that CWPPRA being a laboratory of research and incubator of innovation requires immense human capital and knowledge, which is essentially training, workshop attendance, and experience. The line item provides more accountability and transparency for an auditor and for public scrutiny.

Colonel Hansen opened the floor to comments from the public. There were no public comments.

*Mr. Weller made a motion to accept the Technical Committee recommendation to approve the FY16 Planning budget revision. Mr. Norton seconded. The motion was passed by the Task Force.*

## **C. Agenda Item #7 – Decision: FY17 Planning Budget Approval, including the PPL 27 Process, and Presentation of FY17 Outreach Budget (Process, Size, Funding, etc.)**

Mr. Inman reported that the Technical Committee recommended approval of the FY17 Planning budget, including the PPL 27 process, and the FY17 Outreach budget.

- a. The Task Force considered the Technical Committee's recommendation to approve that the PPL 27 Process include selecting four nominees in the Barataria and Terrebonne Basins; three nominees in the Breton Sound and Pontchartrain Basins; two nominees in the Mermentau, Calcasieu/Sabine, and Tech/Vermilion Basins, one nominee in the Atchafalaya Basin, and one coastwide nominee. The Task Force also voted on added

language to the PPL Process concerning project area overlap at Regional Planning Team (RPT) meetings.

Mr. Inman reported that the PPL 27 process will maintain the existing number of nominees from each basin, which is derived from the coastal loss in each basin. He added that the PPL 27 process has added clarity regarding the process for handling duplicate or significantly similar projects at the RPT meetings.

Colonel Hansen opened the floor to comments from the Task Force. There were no comments from the Task Force.

Colonel Hansen opened the floor to comments from the public. There were no public comments.

- b. The Task Force voted on a recommendation by the Technical Committee to approve the FY17 Outreach Committee budget, in the amount of \$446,113.

Colonel Hansen noted that the FY17 Outreach Committee budget is equal to that of FY16.

Mr. Scott Wilson, USGS, presented the Outreach Committee budget, which funds materials such as the CWPPRA newsletter, WaterMarks, factsheets, videos, and reproductions. The Outreach budget also funds Outreach staff and agency participation in Outreach events, as well as providing sponsorship and opportunities to highlight CWPPRA at the regional and national level through conferences such as State of the Coast and Restore America's Estuaries. Finally, Outreach hosts a yearly dedication event that highlights projects with the local sponsors.

Colonel Hansen opened the floor to comments from the Task Force. There were no comments from the Task Force.

Colonel Hansen opened the floor to comments from the public. There were no public comments.

- c. The Task Force voted on a recommendation by the Technical Committee to approve the FY17 Planning budget (including the Outreach Committee budget), in the amount of \$5,002,132.

Mr. Inman presented the FY17 Planning budget, which includes the Outreach Committee budget. He noted that since Agenda Item #6 passed, the FY17 Planning budget will include a line item for training, conferences, and workshops. CWPPRA is required by law to spend \$5 million on Planning, but there is a carryover from last year which allows for some additional funding if necessary for items like the Report to Congress.

Colonel Hansen opened the floor to comments from the Task Force. There were no comments from the Task Force.

Colonel Hansen opened the floor to comments from the public. There were no public comments.

*Mr. Norton made a motion to accept the Technical Committee recommendation to approve PPL 27 Process. Mr. Doley seconded. The motion was passed by the Task Force.*

*Mr. Doley made a motion to accept the Technical Committee recommendation to approve the FY17 Outreach Committee budget in the amount of \$446,113. Ms. McCormick seconded. The motion was passed by the Task Force.*

*Mr. Weller made a motion to accept the Technical Committee recommendation to approve the FY17 Planning budget in the amount of \$5,002,132. Mr. Doley seconded. The motion was passed by the Task Force.*

**D. Agenda Item #8 – Decision: Request Final Approval to Transfer the PPL 20 – Kelso Bayou Marsh Creation Project (CS-53) to the Chenier Plain Coastal Restoration and Protection Authority (Chenier Plain Authority)**

Mr. Britt Paul, NRCS, reported that the Kelso Bayou Marsh Creation (CS-53) Project was originally submitted for deauthorization, but the Chenier Plain Authority requested that the project be transferred to them rather than deauthorized. That transfer request has proceeded through the process and this is the final vote to actually transfer the project.

Colonel Hansen opened the floor to comments from the Task Force. There were no comments from the Task Force.

Colonel Hansen opened the floor to comments from the public.

Ms. Nedra Davis, Chenier Plain Authority, thanked the Task Force for their collaboration and added that the Chenier Plain Authority looks forward to managing this project. She also thanked Colonel Hansen for his service.

*Mr. Norton made a motion to accept the Technical Committee recommendation to approve the transfer of the PPL 20 Kelso Bayou Marsh Creation (CS-53) Project to the Chenier Plain Coastal Restoration and Protection Authority. Mr. Haase seconded. The motion was passed by the Task Force.*

**VI. INFORMATION**

**A. Agenda Item #2 – Report: Status of CWPPRA Program Funds and Projects**

Ms. Jernice Cheavis, USACE, presented the status of CWPPRA Program funds and projects. The CWPPRA Program current estimate is \$2.391 billion, which includes the fully-funded cost estimates for all projects from inception through PPL 25. CWPPRA has \$2.011 billion in future projected funding, which includes funding from the Department of the Interior (DOI) and State contributions.

The currently approved estimate is \$1.756 billion for PPL 1-25, including Phases I & II and long-term O&M for 20 years. The total currently funded estimate is \$1.640 billion, which represents how much has been requested and authorized from the Task Force to-date.

Since the January Task Force Meeting was cancelled, Ms. Cheavis provided an overview of CWPPRA funding status as of January 2016. In January, the Program estimate for PPLs 1-24 was \$2.239 billion. Total available funding was \$76.7 million following the October Task Force Meeting, but the DOI estimate increased by \$6.2 million, bringing the total available in January 2016 for PPL 25 and Phase II project funding to \$82.9 million.

The January electronic vote approved \$18.6 million in Phase I funding and \$54.8 million in Phase II funding, leaving \$9.4 million in the Construction Program budget. As there are no funding action items on the agenda, this \$9.4 million balance will be carried over to the October 2016 Task Force Meeting.

The available Planning funding includes \$240,256 carried over from previous years. The FY17 budget received \$5 million, bringing the total Planning budget to \$5.24 million. Within this budget, \$4.55 million will be spent on Planning and \$446,113 will be spent on Outreach for a total expenditure of just over \$5 million. \$238,124 will be carried over to FY18.

The CWPPRA Program has 210 projects. The 155 active projects include 25 in Phase I, 23 in Phase II Construction, 102 constructed, and five support projects. Four projects have been transferred, four are inactive, and 47 have been deauthorized.

Colonel Hansen opened the floor to comments from the Task Force. There were no comments from the Task Force.

Colonel Hansen opened the floor to comments from the public. There were no public comments.

### **B. Agenda Item #3 – Report: Construction Update**

Mr. Inman, representing the P&E Subcommittee, reported that 23 projects are currently under construction and three different projects would be highlighted in the construction update. Agency representatives provided reports on projects that are currently under construction or have recently completed construction.

Mr. Quin Kinler, NRCS, presented an update on the Baratavia Landbridge Shoreline Protection (BA-27) Construction Unit 7&8 Project. The Notice to Proceed (NTP) was issued in November 2015, with an anticipated performance time of 445 days. The project includes a geotextile lightweight aggregate shoreline protection feature, which is 50% complete. The construction cost is estimated to be \$13.6 million. This current phase is approximately 21,000 feet. The total restoration for all phases of BA-27, including BA-27, BA-27c, and BA-27d, is 114,250 feet. The first lift will be required to settle for 90 days before a second lift will be installed.

Mr. Kinler also presented the Coastwide Vegetative Plantings (LA-39) Project. The project currently has three active sites: Rockefeller Terraces, Decade Area, and South Bayou Decade. Rockefeller Terraces has been awarded and will be planted soon, while Decade Area and South Bayou Decade are both out for bid and will be planted in the fall. CPRA is taking the lead for the East Grand Terre plantings, which should be going to bid later this month and will also be planted in the fall. NRCS has selected seven sites for Year 6, and will also plant two sites from Years 3 and 4 that have been delayed due to issues with site conditions and property ownership uncertainties.

The Rockefeller Refuge Terraces site will plant 50,000 feet of terraces in three areas: Price Lake, Superior Canal, and Little Constance. The Decade Area site includes about 10,000 plantings along the lake rim of Bayou Decade and the surrounding areas to provide additional shoreline protection. The South Bayou Decade site will consist of a double row format in an attempt to knit back together some of the existing floating and emergent marsh in an area that is very fragmented.

Mr. Robert Dubois, USFWS, presented the South Lake Lery Shoreline Restoration and Marsh Creation (BS-16) Project. The Project is located southeast of New Orleans in the Caernarvon Freshwater Diversion outfall on the southwestern shoreline of Lake Lery. It consists of 36,000 feet of shoreline restoration on Lake Lery with earthen containment and 500 acres of marsh creation directly behind the shoreline restoration. Lake Rims 2A, 2B, 3, and 5 are complete. Construction is currently underway for Lake Rims 1 and 6 on the western shoreline. Marsh Creation Cell 3 is currently being dewatered, and Marsh Creation Cells 2B and 4 are being filled. Lake Rims 2 and 3 will be planted in May 2016. There has been some erosion on these shorelines; pipe has been laid along the shoreline to help address this issue, and other solutions are currently being evaluated. Construction began in March 2015 and is expected to be completed in December 2016.

Colonel Hansen opened the floor to comments from the Task Force. Colonel Hansen commented that it is remarkable that BA-27 adds up to a total of 22 miles including all of the phases.

Colonel Hansen opened the floor to comments from the public. There were no public comments.

**C. Agenda Item #4 – Report: Selection of Ten Candidate Projects and Three Demonstration Projects to Evaluate for PPL 26**

Mr. Roy presented the 10 candidate projects and three demonstration projects shown in the tables below.

Region	Basin	PPL 26 Candidates	Agency
1	Pontchartrain	Bayou La Loutre Ridge and Marsh Restoration	NRCS
1	Pontchartrain	St. Catherine Island Marsh Creation & Shoreline Protection	USFWS
2	Barataria	East Bayou Lafourche Marsh Creation	USFWS
2	Barataria	Elmer’s Island Backbarrier Marsh Creation	NMFS
3	Terrebonne	Bayou DeCade Bankline and Marsh Restoration	NMFS

Region	Basin	PPL 26 Candidates	Agency
3	Terrebonne	Bayou Terrebonne Freshwater Diversion	NRCS
3	Terrebonne	West LA Hwy 1 Marsh Creation and Terracing	NMFS
4	Calcasieu-Sabine	North Mud Lake Marsh Creation and Nourishment	NMFS
4	Mermentau	East Pecan Island Marsh Creation	EPA
	Coastwide	Southwest Louisiana Salvinia Weevil Propagation	USFWS
<b>PPL 26 Demonstration Project Candidate</b>			<b>Agency</b>
DEMO	Shore-links		NRCS
DEMO	Ecobale Shoreline Protection		USACE
DEMO	Enhancing Restoration Transplant Survival via Stress Acclimation		TBD

Colonel Hansen opened the floor to comments from the Task Force. Colonel Hansen noted that all of the candidate projects are good projects and it will be tough to select only four for Phase I funding.

Colonel Hansen opened the floor to comments from the public.

Mr. Ralph Libersat, Vermilion Parish Coastal Committee, expressed his support for the East Pecan Island Marsh Creation Project, sponsored by EPA. He complimented the Task Force for attending the briefing meeting with the Parishes and listening to their concerns. Vermilion Parish is very fortunate to have had four projects on the candidate list and one project selected in the top ten. Vermilion Parish looks forward to working with CWPPRA for the reconnaissance trips and will lend their support when working with the landowners.

Ms. Nedra Davis, Chenier Plain Authority, expressed her support for the East Pecan Island Marsh Creation and North Mud Lake Marsh Creation and Nourishment Projects. She appreciates the support of the Task Force and also noted that the Chenier Plain Authority is willing to help in any way possible.

### **C. Agenda Item #9 – Report: Outreach Committee Report**

Ms. Nikki Cavalier, Media Specialist for the CWPPRA Outreach Committee, presented the Outreach Committee Report. The Outreach Committee has participated in several events since the October Task Force Meeting, including the CWPPRA 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary ceremony, which was very successful. They debuted a new craft activity “Sid the Restoration Squid” at Ocean Commotion at LSU. They attended World Wetlands Day in Houma, the Louisiana Environmental Education Symposium in Baton Rouge, Coastal Day at the Legislature, Mandeville Water Festival, Louisiana Earth Day in Baton Rouge, and Fete de la Terre at the University of Louisiana at Lafayette. The Outreach Committee also visited the Episcopal School of Acadiana fourth grade science classes to discuss the importance of wetlands and what CWPPRA is doing to protect them.

CWPPRA Outreach has also released new issues of the LandMarks magazine, updated the WordPress blog, and is making an increased effort to be productive and active on social media. They published a book targeted at an adult audience titled Understanding CWPPRA to explain the basics of the CWPPRA Program, including funding sources. The Barataria-Terrebonne National Estuary Program (BTNEP) created a Coastal Wetlands Restoration Residents’ Guide to discuss different restoration techniques and partnered with CWPPRA to

print it, so CWPPRA's name and logo will be featured in it. Finally, CWPPRA Outreach has started a poster campaign, which will be debuted at the State of the Coast Conference and the Restore America's Estuaries Conference.

Colonel Hansen opened the floor to comments from the Task Force.

Colonel Hansen stated that he will need to leave his successor the new Understanding CWPPRA book. His successor will be Colonel Mike Clancy, formerly of the New York District of the USACE.

Mr. Norton thanked Ms. Cavalier for her presentation and on-going Outreach work.

Colonel Hansen opened the floor to comments from the public. There were no public comments.

#### **D. Agenda Item #10 – Report: Coastwide Reference Monitoring System (CRMS) Report**

Ms. Leigh Anne Sharp, CPRA, provided a report on CRMS. CRMS has engaged with the Monitoring Work Group three times so far in 2016. One discussion revolved about the Coastwide Elevation Survey. The contractor was not able to survey all of the sites, and CRMS worked with the Monitoring Work Group to determine how to proceed. The Monitoring Work Group and CRMS also worked together to create a Phase 0 Monitoring Cost Planning Document as a placeholder for Phase 0 which can be reevaluated in Phase I based on actual project features. This document is currently under review by the agencies and then will be presented to the Engineering Work Group and P&E Subcommittee. Finally, CPRA has recommended that each marsh creation borrow area does not need dissolved oxygen monitoring given the findings of the comprehensive Borrow Area Management and Monitoring Program Report, and CRMS is currently discussing this proposal with the Monitoring Work Group.

Ms. Sharp presented the dates of the upcoming CRMS roadshows and recommended that anyone using CRMS data attend. Recent CRMS publications include the Vegetation Volume Index, which measures the amount of vegetation in an area and can be used instead of or in conjunction with the Floristic Quality Index. CRMS is also working on the Forested Floristic Quality Index, a marsh stability model, a Basin Scale Report, and 14 Operations, Maintenance, and Monitoring Reports. CRMS will have several presentations and posters at the State of the Coast Conference.

Colonel Hansen opened the floor to comments from the Task Force. There were no comments from the Task Force.

Colonel Hansen opened the floor to comments from the public. There were no public comments.

#### **VII. ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMS**

There were no additional agenda items.

## VIII. REQUEST FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mr. Randy Moertle, Mclhenny Enterprises, Clovelly Farms, and Point Au Fur, thanked Colonel Hansen for his work with CWPPRA and remarked that Colonel Hansen met with landowners immediately after taking the position. Mr. Moertle added that landowners own 80 to 85 percent of the coast, and they would love to participate in any conferences and workshops in the future.

Mr. Inman also thanked Colonel Hansen on behalf of his team and noted that he has always shown a lot of interest in the CWPPRA Program.

## IX. CLOSING

### A. Announcement: Dates of Upcoming CWPPRA Program Meetings

Mr. Inman announced that the next Technical Committee Meeting will be held September 14, 2016 at 9:30 a.m. at the LA Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, Louisiana Room, 2000 Quail Drive, Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

### B. Announcement: Scheduled Dates of Future Program Meetings

Mr. Inman announced the scheduled dates of future Program meetings, shown below:

September 14, 2016	9:30 a.m.	Technical Committee	Baton Rouge
October 19, 2016	9:30 a.m.	Task Force	New Orleans
December 7, 2016	9:30 a.m.	Technical Committee	Baton Rouge

### C. Adjournment

Colonel Hansen called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Haase so moved and Mr. Norton seconded. Colonel Hansen adjourned the meeting at 11:00 a.m.