

State of Louisiana



July 1, 2025

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Subject: Suspension of DA Permit MVN-2012-02806-EOO, Update to Letter Dated 5 May 2025

Dear Col. Jones:

This letter is in response to your correspondence dated April 25, 2025, suspending DA permit MVN-2012-02806-EOO ("The Permit") for the Mid-Barataria Sediment Diversion Project ("The Project"). As you know, the Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority ("CPRA") responded to your letter on May 5, 2025, and requested 60 days to allow for state review of the District's decision. The sixty (60) days end date, considering July 4 and the weekend, is July 7, 2025.

CPRA requests an additional thirty (30) days for state review and decision, including but not limited to any state-issued permits. CPRA is requesting the USACE district to consider the permit remain suspended during this 30 days, and beyond, with updates from the state.

As you also know, CPRA submitted a Letter of Intent ("LOI") to resume efforts on the Medium Diversion at Myrtle Grove with Dedicated Dredging ("MDMG") feasibility study authorized under the Water Resource Development Act of 2007 Section 7006 (c)(1)(e). CPRA respectfully requests that the District allow the Permit to remain suspended until further notice from the state, and that the Permit not be considered in any future without project scenarios with respect to work on the MDMG project.

CPRA appreciates the District's continued dialogue regarding these matters. Should you have any questions, please contact me.

Respectfully Submitted,

Gordon E. Dove

Chairman of the Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority Board

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