

COASTAL WETLANDS PLANNING, PROTECTION AND RESTORATION ACT

TASK FORCE MEETING

February 15, 2007

**DECISION: REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL PHASE II INCREMENT 1 FUNDING FOR
THE WEST LAKE BOUDREAUX PROJECT (TE-46)**

For Decision:

Based on the Technical Committee's recommendation, the Task Force will consider the request by the FWS and LDNR for additional funding for the West Lake Boudreaux Project due to the increased costs of rock and hydraulic dredging after the 2005 hurricanes. Phase II Increment 1 funding in the amount of \$14.6 million was approved by the Task Force on February 8, 2006. It is anticipated that additional Phase II Increment 1 funding in the amount of \$1,916,859 is needed because rock and hydraulic dredging costs have increased as a result of the 2005 hurricanes.

Technical Committee Recommendation:

The Technical Committee recommends an increase in Phase II Increment 1 funding in the amount of \$1,916,859.

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DECISION: REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL PHASE II INCREMENT 1 CONSTRUCTION FUNDS FOR THE LAKE BORGNE SHORELINE PROTECTION PROJECT (PO-30)

For Decision:

The Task Force will consider the request for additional funding on the Lake Borgne Shoreline Protection Project, based on the Technical Committee's recommendation. The Lake Borgne Shoreline Protection Project received Phase II Increment 1 funding in the amount of \$16.6 million from the CWPPRA Task Force on February 8, 2006. EPA and LDNR final project review efforts prior to bid solicitation (anticipated in early 2007) indicate pre-Katrina/Rita cost estimates for the authorized project should be made consistent with post-hurricane material costs and recent project awards. In order to avoid likely construction bid overruns in 2007, EPA is seeking an increase in Phase II Increment 1 funding in the amount of \$6,925,824.

Technical Committee Recommendation:

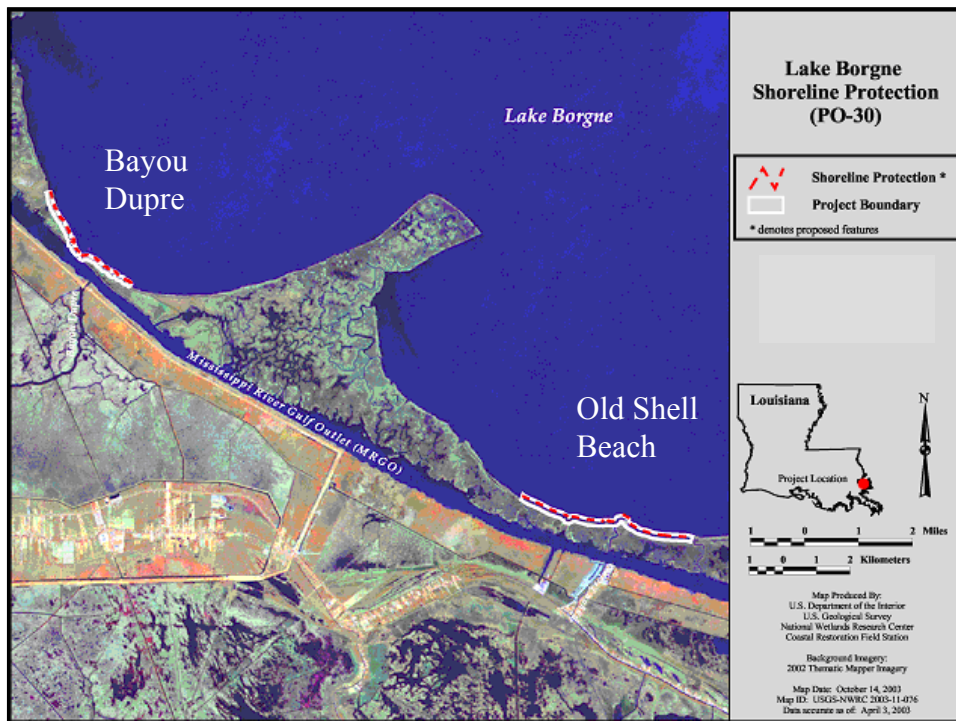
The Technical Committee recommends an increase in Phase II Increment 1 funding in the amount of \$6,925,824.

Lake Borgne Shoreline Protection

Bayou Dupre and Shell Beach, St. Bernard Parish

Project Goals:

- Prevent/reduce Lake Borgne shoreline retreat adjacent to Old Shell Beach/Bayou Dupre
- Mitigate further joining of the lake and MRGO
- Reestablishing a sustainable lake rim; and,
- Preventing or reducing conversion of emergent marsh to open water.



Lake Borgne Shoreline Protection Project (PO-30) - Status

- May to September dredging window
- Project not constructed in 2006 due to oyster issues
 - oyster policy has now been finalized by State
 - no longer presents an issue for construction
- LDNR ready to advertise early 2007
- Task Force approved \$16,622,590 Phase II funds February 8, 2006
 - based upon pre-hurricane material costs
- Material costs have nearly doubled in the past year
- Additional funds (\$6,925,825) requested to avoid overbid