From: Valerie Boudreaux
To: MVN Environmental;
Subject: Save Coconut Beach!
Date: Wednesday, May 13, 2009 6:54:56 PM

Gib Owens,

I wanted to make you aware of the possible loss of a New Orleans Treasure.... Coconut Beach. The Corp informed Coconut Beach that 10-100% of the Coconut Beach Facility land may be taken to build a flood protection wall.

I understand that flood protection is important to the New Orleans residents and economy but I feel that something can be done to protect New Orleans during storms and Coconut Beach. On a weekly basis Coconut Beach attracts individuals from New Orleans as well as many surrounding New Orleans areas including but not limited to Slidell, Mandeville, Metairie, Kenner, Laplace and the Westbank; along with attracting individuals from all over the country for Volleyball Tournaments. Coconut Beach is not only a complex that promotes health and physical activity and makes New Orleans a little more unique but it is also a community and has helped return life to a Katrina stricken area.

Please help in our crusade to Save Coconut Beach!

Thank you for your hard work in protecting New Orleans but it would be greatly appreciated if alternatives can be explored that will spare Coconut Beach!

Thanks,
Valerie Boudreaux
ValerieRBoudreaux@gmail.com
504-237-3269