Coastal Wetlands Planning, Protection and Restoration Act (Breaux Act) Priority Project List 19 Regional Planning Team (RPT) Meetings

Region 4 – Rockefeller Refuge – January 27, 2009, 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm Region 3 –Morgan City – January 28, 2009, 9:00 am – 3:00 pm Region 2 – New Orleans – January 29, 2009, 9:00 am – 12:00 noon Region 1 – New Orleans – January 29, 2009, 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm

AGENDA

Meeting Purpose: The Regional Planning Teams (RPTs) will accept project nominations and hear public comments for developing the 19th Priority Project List (PPL). Nominations for demonstration projects will also be accepted. No voting will take place at these meetings. RPTs will select PPL 19 nominees at the coast-wide voting meeting scheduled for February 18, 2009 in Baton Rouge.

- Welcome and Introductions (RPT Team Leader, Louisiana Office of Coastal Protection and Restoration (OCPR), Corps of Engineers, Parish Representatives, RPT)
- 2. PPL 19 Selection Process Brief Overview (Corps) and Ground Rules for Today's PPL 19 Nomination Meeting (RPT Leader)
- 3. Brief Overview of Coast 2050 Regional Strategies (RPT Leader)
- PPL19 Project Nominations (Entire RPT)
 Nominees must be consistent with and support Coast 2050 Regional Strategies. The State requests that projects be consistent with the Louisiana State Master Plan.
- 5. Announcement of Coast-wide Voting Meeting (RPT Leader)*

 A coast-wide voting meeting will be held on *February 18, 2009*, at the Galvez Building, Natchez Room (602 North Street, Baton Rouge, LA 70802). The RPT's will select three projects in the Terrebonne, Barataria, and Pontchartrain Basins; two projects in the Breton Sound, Teche/Vermilion, Mermentau, Calcasieu/Sabine, and Mississippi River Delta Basins and one project will be selected in the Atchafalaya Basin. If only one project is presented at the RPT Meeting for the Mississippi River Delta Basin, then an additional nominee would be selected for the Breton Sound Basin. In addition, the RPTs will select six demonstration projects for further evaluation.
- 6. Announcements of upcoming PPL 19, Task Force, Technical Committee and Other Program Meetings
- 7. Adjourn

*Parishes within each basin will be asked <u>today</u> to identify who will vote for them at the coast-wide voting meeting. No additional projects will be nominated at the coast-wide meeting, nor will any significant changes to projects proposed at these January meetings be allowed. No additional public comments will be accepted at the coast-wide meeting (public comment will be heard during the meeting <u>today</u> and additional written comment should be forwarded to the P&E Subcommittee Chairman, by <u>February 13, 2009</u> for dissemination to the CWPPRA agencies).