

**Minutes of the Public Hearing and Regular Monthly Board meeting of the North Lafourche Conservation, Levee & Drainage District, February 15, 2022**

The Regular Monthly meeting of the North Lafourche Conservation, Levee and Drainage District Board of Commissioners was called to order on February 15, 2022, by President Cory Kief at 5:21 pm. The meeting was held at the district's office at 3862 Highway 1 in Raceland. The pledge was led by Elmo Pitre, and the invocation was given by Katie DeRoche. President Kief called roll. Commissioners present were Cory Kief, Adley Peltier, Louis Andolsek, Darcy Kiffe, Tim Allen, Rodney Foret, and Elmo Pitre. Commissioners Robert Pitre and Percy Gasery were absent. Others present were NLLD Executive Director Dwayne Bourgeois; Program/Project Manager Arthur Ostheimer; NLLD Administrative Assistant Madonna Viguerie; Executive Assistant Katie DeRoche; and various engineering professionals.

Approval of Minutes: Motion was made by A. Peltier, seconded by R. Foret, to approve the minutes of the following meetings: January 18, 2022, Regular Board Meeting and January 18, 2022, Finance & Priority Committee. No discussion or public comment. Motion passed unanimously.

**A. Thibodaux – West Project Area:**

Acadia Woods: D. Bourgeois and A. Ostheimer reported NLLD has been working with the City of Thibodaux, LPG and TPCG to try to sweep then possibly maintenance dredge the St. Louis Canal. The objective of this project is to bring improved drainage to the Acadia Woods area of Lafourche Parish and the City of Thibodaux. TBS has been engaged to run some hydraulic modeling. NLLD met with TBS and have begun a focused drainage study which will include some additional survey work along with analysis to determine if this needs to transition to a small FDA or if NLLD can continue this area as a gravity area by improving aspects in the immediate area.

Waverly No. 2 Channel Project: D. Bourgeois and A. Ostheimer reported NLLD is in the process of developing a NLLD project that will create a new major drainage channel called the Waverly No. 2 Channel Project. NLLD is working on RoW issues with the property owners before moving forward. NLLD met with DDG on February 3 to discuss the project. NLLD is adjusting a couple of the right of way areas and then the valuation will be finalized. NLLD will request to present more information to the T-RAD Committee once it is put together.

**B. Thibodaux - Lockport - Bayou Blue Project Area:**

NSU Drainage Study: D. Bourgeois reported there are some possibilities of portions of this potential project being advanced along with some work on the Coastal Center and NLLD has addressed its funding needs with CPRA and the Governor's office. The Coastal Center looks like they will be getting some additional P2 funding from last year.

Bayou Blue – Hollywood Backwater Flood Protection Project: D. Bourgeois and A. Ostheimer reported the last year's State's Annual Plan includes future funding expected from GOMESA funds for engineering and construction and the State has accepted final design. This project is currently advertising. NLLD held the pre-bid meeting here at the NLLD office on January 27th. LCI did need to issue an addendum which made some alterations to the electrical and fuel system. Based on the addendum the bid opening was pushed back to February 17th just to be sure the bidders had an opportunity to incorporate the changes into the bid. NLLD plans to have a recommendation for award at the March Board meeting.

TLBB Element 2, (Lockport to Mathews Levee Improvement Project): D. Bourgeois and A. Ostheimer reported the Lemoine Company, LLC is the contractor on Phase II which is the canal relocation and berm construction. This phase is included in an IGA with CPRA for GOMESA funds reimbursement and the certificate of substantial completion was accepted last month. The project is substantially complete and there should be a final request for retainage next month to close the project out. L. Andolsek motioned,

seconded by T. Allen to approve Change Order No. 8 to balance to the actual quantities used with a net decrease of \$25,207.55 as requested by The Lemoine Company, LLC and recommended by the project engineer. No discussion or public comment. Motion passed unanimously. L. Andolsek motioned, seconded by D. Kiffe to approve payment of pay request #22 in the amount of \$124,482.01 from The Lemoine Company, LLC as recommended by the project engineer. No discussion or public comment. Motion passed unanimously.

Cyprien FDA Channel Improvements/Cyprien Discharge Channel Levee Improvements: A. Ostheimer reported Sealevel has a few remaining punch list items which they may not be able to complete until they finish the modifications on the Cyprien Pump Station.

Raceland Prairie District 2 of 12 Seepage Repairs: D. Bourgeois and A. Ostheimer reported NLLD made a Capital Outlay Request in prior years for funding in support of the broader program of improvements to all these levees in these FDAs. Last year, NLLD did receive Capital Outlay Appropriations in HB2 for these projects. NLLD received a P2 appropriation of \$750K and a P5 Appropriation of \$3.75M of the \$6M ask. On January 20th, the State Bond Commission approved converting some of those P2 appropriations into cash lines of credit. In NLLD's case, they converted \$225K into a cash line of credit. So that is good news for NLLD because it gets the State invested in the project. P5 appropriations are typically considered next year's P1 appropriations. So, NLLD should thank Rep Orgeron and Sen Smith for getting these appropriations and encourage them to help NLLD get that P5 converted to a P1 for the full amount if possible. NLLD also needs to thank Senator Bret Allain and Representative Jerome Zeringue who are members of the Bond Commission Committee. D. Bourgeois said he plans to continue meeting with them and others in moving forward. Based on an assessment by LCI, of all the levees in the Prairie, it was determined that the 2 of 12 levee appeared to be the area of highest need after the work NLLD performed last year. NLLD is continuing to work on the Sugarland property to use this as a primary dirt source for all the work in the Raceland Prairie. NLLD has performed some general maintenance on NLLD's equipment ahead of the excavation and begun clearing the pit area. NLLD's goal is to remove enough material this year for use on the capital outlay project along with maintenance projects in moving forward.

**C. Lockport - Larose Project Area:**

Lockport – Larose Levee Project Reaches C4, C5, and D1: D. Bourgeois reported Onshore Materials, LLC is the contractor on this project that is phase 1 and 2 of the improvements to the levees in these reaches. A. Ostheimer reported NLLD met with Angelette Picciola and Onshore today to discuss the project; all are clear on progress made and the goal of completion. Neil Angelette with Angelette Picciola gave a report on a change order for the project. He stated Onshore is continuing to make good progress hauling from the Edgar Guidry Pump Station to the Entergy pipeline area. Most of the area is shaped and drying well. The area close to the Entergy Pipeline is still wet and there are a couple of more weeks Onshore needs to process and dry that area. They will start next week to begin the final hauling and shaping. They have about 29,000 yards to shape. Onshore is anticipating completion early April; however, Neil thinks the actual completion time will be in March. L. Andolsek motioned, seconded by A. Peltier to approve Change Order No. 9 to increase the contract time by an additional 21 days to extend the construction period to October 26, 2021, due to rainy conditions as requested by Onshore Materials, LLC and recommended by the project engineer. D. Kiffe questioned giving Onshore more days to complete the project since there were days in the past given to them that were not actual rain days and could have been worked instead. D. Bourgeois stated that could be resolved at the end of the project with liquidated damages, but as of now, the board has to contractually give them rain days to complete the project since it has actually been raining. No further discussion or public comment. Motion passed with 6 yeas and 1 nay. C. Kief stated, "momma is coming with the belt when this project is over with."

Lockport to Larose Reach B Levee Project: D. Bourgeois and A. Ostheimer reported Picciola & Associates continues to work on acquiring a ROW for a pipeline crossing for this levee reach. NLLD will be receiving CPRA reimbursement of \$1M available this year for this project and working with CPRA to finalize the documents. NLLD has received the draft IGA from CPRA and returned the IGA with comment for preparation of the final draft. NLLD has budgeted funds to move forward with the project. Picciola is working to finalize the plans to include working with the pipelines. NLLD is hoping to have plans and specs ready for CPRA to review as soon as the IGA is finalized.

**D. Choupic Project Area:**

East 80 Arpent (Dixie Canal): D. Bourgeois and A. Ostheimer reported the Linkbelt/Wilco Deep-water Marsh Buggy is being used for some long term and long overdue maintenance dredging and is continuing to dredge the second section of the canal. NLLD expects this to take a few months to complete with about a mile left.

West Choupic Storm Water Protection Project: D. Bourgeois reported NLLD is working with LCI to re-align the proposed levee in an area that avoids the worst impacts to landowners yet may still be OK with the Corps. The goal is to establish that alignment and have a Pre-App meeting with the Corps to see if they will give a nod and then continue notifying and working with the Choupic community impacted landowners until a fair proposed project is agreed upon.

**E. St. James Project Area:** D. Bourgeois reported NLLD is developing items in the PA via this drainage study by Duplantis Design Group. NLLD has the findings from DDG and it is pending the review of the T-RADS Project Committee when scheduled. NLLD will also be working with the Parish and the Lafourche Parish School Board along with local property owners to review some drainage concerns that were made evident during the May 2021 high-water events.

**F. Lake Bouef Watershed Project Area:**

Zeller/Larousse Forced Drainage Area Systems Improvements: D. Bourgeois and A. Ostheimer reported Phase 2 of this project is designed to provide structural stability to the system and improve the levee to a 5' elevation. This construction is being partially reimbursed with GOMESA funding through CPRA. Sealevel is currently working on the Zeller side of this project, and they are moving along with the reshaping and elevating of the levee. NLLD is continuing to work with LCI to define different alternatives for providing protection along the bayou to close that gap in the ring system. E. Pitre motioned, seconded by A. Peltier to approve payment of pay request #2 in the amount of \$90,071.59 from Sealevel Construction, Inc. as recommended by the project engineer. No discussion or public comment. Motion passed unanimously.

LBW Backwater Protection Project: 308 Farmers Meeting: D. Bourgeois reported NLLD's issue with this project is that if NLLD were to proceed with a project now the levee would have to be placed too far towards the bayou in order to avoid impacts to lands that currently would be considered wetlands by the Corps. As previously reported, NLLD held a meeting and is looking to form a committee to seek a possible Ag exemption. There are some policy shenanigans being contemplated to the definition of the WOTUS and the NWPR which was vacated by a Federal Court with the support of EPA. NLLD will have to wait a bit to see how this all shakes out before re-grouping.

**G. Gheens Project Area:**

Natural Gas FDA Levee Improvements: D. Bourgeois and A. Ostheimer reported Clark Construction Enterprises, LLC is the contractor for this project that is designed to improve the levee elevation to 7'. The construction is being reimbursed with GOMESA funding through CPRA. NLLD met with ASCE and Clark Construction on January 26th to discuss the project. At that meeting ASCE and the NLLD expressed frustration and disappointment with the current progress of the project. They did offer some plans to increase the pace of construction, but frankly, that has not happened at this time. There was rain right

after the meeting, so NLLD is hoping to see some progress soon. They are currently at least four months behind schedule. E. Pitre motioned, seconded by L. Andolsek to approve payment of pay request #5 in the amount of \$106,386.70 from Clark Construction Enterprises, LLC as recommended by the project engineer. Members of the board expressed frustration with the lack of pace and asked why the board has to approve a payment if they are behind on work. D. Bourgeois stated NLLD is obligated to pay the contractor if the Engineer for the project has made the recommendation to do so for work that the Engineer is certifying as completed. However, he mentioned it is suggested the board makes a public statement of its disappointment in Clark Construction and as a result, could have them pay in liquidated damages at the end of the project. D. Bourgeois directed the boards' concerns and questions to NLLD's attorney, Pat Amedee for further clarification. P. Amedee agreed with D. Bourgeois and also stated even though it is unlikely, there is a possibility the contractor can catch up; therefore, NLLD has to pay them for the work they have done now. C. Kief asked if the engineers at ASCE are tracking the production of the work from the contractor. A. Ostheimer said ASCE is keeping track of the contractor's work. The problem could be that the contractor does not have enough trucks as of now to haul the amount of material needed, which is not sufficient to keep pace. P. Amedee said expressing frustrations to the contractor and engineer is legal and suggested. He also knows Clark Construction Enterprises, LLC. to be a reputable company. They may have the resources to eventually catch up. Discussion ensued about the need for contractors to do a better job. L. Andolsek mentioned it would not be in NLLD's best interest not to pay at this time because it could delay further work. No further discussion or public comment. Motion passed unanimously.

Upper Barataria Risk Reduction (UBRRP) Project: D. Bourgeois reported this project is included in the State's Master Plan for 2017. The NLLD and the LBLD have been working cooperatively to get this design further down the road. The project received some good news in recent weeks getting a favorable Chief's report even before its full authorization by congress. But, the project, via the Corps, did receive \$8M in funding for PED which should get things going in earnest. NLLD and LBLD are waiting on info from the Corps to see how this will all align itself with current design efforts.

**H. Valentine - East Project Area:**

T-Bois Levee FDA: D. Bourgeois and A. Ostheimer reported Circle LLC is the contractor on this project that includes maintenance work on the area of the levee from Hamilton St. to North American Shipyard. NLLD met with Circle and Picciola on February 2nd to discuss the project. This is another project where both Picciola and the NLLD expressed frustration with the pace of construction. Although they do believe this project is more vulnerable to weather delays, it is NLLD's and Picciola's opinion that the pace of construction progress has been lacking. Circle has stated that they have 25 haul days left to finish the project which would translate to app 3 months of work. There was originally a motion on the agenda to approve Change Order No. 4 to increase the contract time by an additional 22 days to extend the construction period to February 17, 2022, due to adverse weather conditions as requested by Circle, LLC. However, Picciola and Associates could not justify that time. They allowed for 15 days and Circle, LLC did not think this was justified; therefore, the motion was removed. The board expressed frustration again on this and other projects that are behind. T. Allen motioned, seconded by E. Pitre to approve payment of pay request #6 in the amount of \$49,493.10 from Circle, LLC as recommended by the project engineer. No discussion or public comment. Motion passed with 6 yeas and 1 nay from C. Kief.

T-Bois Ludevine Levee Tie In: D. Bourgeois and A. Ostheimer reported this project will connect the T-Bois Levee on the eastern side of Hamilton Street to the Ludevine Levee on the Western side of Hamilton Street. It will provide some interconnectivity to the two FDAs. NLLD will take advantage of the property off of Hamilton Street that will be purchased to provide the material for this project and will hopefully be able to perform the earthen work as a proposal. Outer Limit has continued to make good progress on

the project. They have spent a good bit of time processing material for placement into the levee section. That material is being put into the template.

Morganza to the Gulf Eastern Tie-in, reach 2 Interim Improvements: D. Bourgeois and A. Ostheimer reported Dynamic Group, LLC that is the contractor for this project designed to enhance nearly 20,000 LF of levee improvements to an approximate 7.5' elevation and modify the Ludevine Pump Station to account for the modified levee section. The CPRA will provide \$3M for this project available through Capital Outlay / State Surplus funds. NLLD met with Dynamic on February 8th to discuss the project. To date they have made progress on the project, but they are a bit behind schedule. Dynamic did start with the most time-consuming portions of the project. NLLD is hoping that once the project is based in, the progress will increase. When able to, the contractor is onsite and working within their critical path. D. Kiffe motioned, seconded by T. Allen to approve Change Order No. 1 to increase the contract amount by \$2,006.84 for costs related to the access route and the contract time by an additional 10 days due to adverse weather conditions and access route issues as requested by Dynamic Group, LLC and recommended by the project engineer. C. Kief asked how far behind is the contractor. John Plaisance with GIS Engineering stated the contractor is behind and he has been concerned with how far behind they are. However, he believes if they continue working as they have in the last two weeks, they will catch up. They may not finish on time but will finish within the next 30 days. No further discussion or public comment. Motion passed unanimously. E. Pitre motioned, seconded by L. Andolsek to approve payment of pay request #3 in the amount of \$61,640.25 from Dynamic Group, LLC as recommended by the project engineer. No further discussion or public comment. Motion passed unanimously.

Ludevine Pump Station Replacement: D. Bourgeois and A. Ostheimer reported this project was developed out of the poor condition of the existing station and a conflict with the Reach 2 levee alignment. Recognizing this conflict and need, CPRA through GOMESA funding provided \$2.8M in the annual plan for construction of this project. NLLD is working with CPRA to finalize the documents for execution and seeking additional funds to cover project cost increases. NLLD has been working with GIS Engineering on the development of this project and met with them on February 8<sup>th</sup> to discuss the progress on the pump station design. Currently the IGA is being circulated through CPRA for signature and it is expected to have the preliminary design for review next month. NLLD is expecting to increase the budget on this project based on inflationary increases in materials.

Morganza to the Gulf Eastern Tie-in, Reach 3 Interim Improvements: D. Bourgeois and A. Ostheimer reported funding for this project is included in the State's Annual Plan this year. The engineers made a site visit onsite February 9th to review the current conditions and to coordinate some additional magnetometer surveying to better place the levee alignment. NLLD has done some initial work and since there was an old drilling field there were quite a few anomalies which will dictate the placement of the levee. NLLD has discussed the status with the major landholders in pushing the project forward. NLLD is still targeting the project for construction next year.

T. Allen motioned, seconded by D. Kiffe to deviate from the regular agenda items to allow Lafourche Parish Tax Assessor Wendy Thibodaux to address the board of the adjustments to the 2021 ad valorem role as a result from Hurricane Ida. No discussion or public comment. Motion passed unanimously. W. Thibodaux said she sent out letters of notification of the new assessments. W. Thibodaux has two appeals- one from a resident from an issue in 2020 and another from a repeating appeal every year. After, she will go in front of the Board of Review at the Parish Council on February 26 for those appeals and then she is tentatively set on the agenda of the Louisiana Tax Commission on March 6 to certify her role and she has been working closely with Lafourche Parish Sheriff because he is the collector, and he is ready for the letter of certification. They are anticipating the bill to be sent out to the public on March 16 and the due date will probably be 4-6 weeks afterwards. The deadline should be by the end of April

and the NLLD should be receiving funding around that time. After the collection of 2021 is closed out, she will start on the 2022 tax roll. The 2022 tax roll will revert back to 2020 values. 2021 was reassessed and adjusted because of Hurricane Ida. She followed the assessment of the same laws after Hurricane Katrina. In 2022 if someone needs to make a personal adjustment as a result from Hurricane Ida, they can. She anticipates having the rolls in 2022 finished at the end of October and beginning of November and bills due at the end of December. After 2022, the adjusted values will be by case-to-case, which she is anticipating these adjustment values will occur until 2024 and hopefully then she can have enough data to assess to a regular reassessment. The public has the right to make additional adjustments as long as they qualify; however, she does not think there will be many adjustments because out of the 55,000 letters she mailed, less than 100 residents claimed for additional adjustments. Within the Katrina laws, it states the board cannot raise the millage rates to make up for what was taken off in the adjustments. W. Thibodaux explained other homestead exemptions. Parish wide, she removed \$30 million from tax revenue and that is an average of 25%. In 2022, the NLLD generated from both millage collections a total of \$4,416,983.95. In 2021 the NLLD generated from both millage rates a total of \$3,993,603.66. The difference is \$423,380.29, which is a 19.06% decrease. She described the deductions based on area damage. T. Allen asked if this same decrease will reflect next year as well, and W. Thibodeaux said she does not predict this much of a difference. W. Thibodaux stated it is important to do what government entities can do in order to make it easier for people to come back to the LA Parish and stay. W. Thibodeaux said there was a range between 5%-25% deduction rates for citizens in the northern part of the parish and 50% deduction to the lower part of the parish; however, she did give a 50% deduction rate for the three areas that flooded in the northern part of the parish within the NLLD. The board commended W. Thibodaux for the work she is doing and looking out for the citizens of LA Parish. D. Kiffe motioned, seconded by E. Pitre to return to the regular agenda items as published. No discussion or public comment. Motion passed unanimously.

#### **I. Maintenance and other Regional Projects:**

Maintenance Projects: D. Bourgeois and A. Ostheimer reported NLLD still has to complete the Four Point Levee work. NLLD has DDG putting a proposal together for maintenance on the St. Charles levee. There was some additional survey work to complete prior to getting pricing. NLLD has issued a small contract to Sealevel to complete work along the Legendre Canal. NLLD will be starting maintenance work on Reach D5 through Allied Shipyard in the next couple of months. GIS is finalizing work on this project.

Morganza to the Gulf (MTG), Larose to Lockport Feasibility Report: D. Bourgeois reported Delta Coast Consultants (DCC) is working on the design of the actual alignment of the levee within the District and to file the permit application. Now that there is a new start funding for the project, the goal is to closely integrate efforts with the Corps, especially pertaining to permitting. DCC has modified the Reach 1 permit and resubmitted to USACE to blend with projects permitting through the Corps CW.

Morganza to the Gulf: D. Bourgeois reported the Morganza to the Gulf project has received its federal “new start” designation, a signed PPA and considerable funding for the project at \$378M through the IIJA. NLLD is also pursuing additional ongoing funding from the Federal Government and are encouraged in what they are saying. Everything is falling into place; but, everyone still has to keep pushing for ongoing funding and to match efforts and needs with the Corps. NLLD, the State and TLCD have an established priorities list based on the largest vulnerabilities along the MtoG alignment for any funding received. It includes. 1)Humble (~\$44.25 Million, finishing the work from the new start) 2) GIWW-East Closure (~\$121 Million, closure and tie in near North American) 3) GIWW-West Engineering and Design (~\$13.25 Million,) 4)Reach A south – Minors Canal to Marmande Ridge (~\$119.5 Million) 5) Eastern Tie-In (~\$93.75 Million) 6) Minors Canal Flood Gate (~\$29.5 Million) 7) GIWW-West Construction (~\$112

Million) 8) F/L/I/H Levee Lifts (~\$82.75 Million) 9) Required Mitigation (~\$60 Million). Note that the highest priority after finishing what has been started at Humble is the Eastern GIWW closure. For economy, it made sense to work on the design of the GIWW western closure structure but its construction would come after the work on the western and eastern tie in (4 & 5) which are to be worked simultaneously. The Eastern tie in are projects known as Reach 1 from the GIWW to where starting Reach 2 is. It also includes what is called Reach 3 and 4 on the East side of Bayou Lafourche; With funding coming, everyone needs to continue staying ahead of which projects are a priority and which other MtoG projects can be funded through other opportunities. D. Bourgeois said he went to DC from Jan. 25-29 where he had many discussions and updates from LA Congressional delegation, USACE and other agencies involved with MtoG. He said he has also been asked to attend some State targeted meetings in DC next week on some specific messaging for the project. And, it will remain the focus during visits for the MVFCA fly in next month.

Morganza to the Gulf (MTG), Reaches K & L and Structures: D. Bourgeois reported the CPRA will be providing \$18.2M in funding for the Grand Bayou Flood gate between Reaches K & L in Lafourche Parish. This gate, along with the levees being constructed along Reaches K & L will have a very positive impact on the levees and gravity drainage on the west side of Bayou Lafourche as Grand Bayou is a big source of storm water for those areas. SLLD has contracted with Sealevel Construction for this work and is progressing on schedule with the barge being recently installed. NLLD will be responsible for some clearing work on reach L as was discussed previously and NLLD met in the field last week with all involved.

**K. General Items:**

Equipment: D. Bourgeois gave an update on equipment for this month.

TAZ machine: D. Bourgeois reported although NLLD now believes the machine will ultimately perform as we envisioned and required, NLLD still has some contractual issues left to address and NLLD will be getting back to the board as soon as Pat and he have that all flanged up for final approval by the Board. But, to get there, D. Bourgeois said he believes it would be most efficient for Pat and him to work through the legal issues in order to best protect the interest of the district in addressing the delays on this contract and the undeliverable nature of the manufacturer's warranties due to the delays and other issues. L. Andolsek motioned, seconded by T. Allen allowing the NLCLDD Executive Director, working with NLCLDD Legal Counsel, to demand full compliance with the delivery contract for the Marsh Excavator with Link Belt 130x4 mounted by Marsh Buggies Inc. and to address all outstanding issues including all contractual remedies allowed by the contract and State Contract Law. No discussion or public comment. Motion passed unanimously.

6th Ward Rehabilitation Projects: D. Bourgeois reported NLLD has been working to frame up some levee rehabilitation projects in the 6th Ward of the Parish, Forced Drainage Areas north of Thibodaux, Chackbay, Choupic, Choctaw and Kraemer as a result of the rain. NLLD has engaged LCI to do the following: 1) Get the centerline elevations of all these levees in the area and document all locations where overtopping occurred. 2) From 1) above, develop a prioritized list of maintenance projects to consider addressing the biggest concerns. 3) Advance levee rehabilitation projects for all of these levees to the study and report phase to run these projects through NOPET and pursue funding. The Zeller / Larousse project, that is currently working on the 2nd of three planned phases is a good example of what ultimately needs to be done for these levees. This will all take a considerable amount of time and NLLD will be reporting back to the Board on all of this as things develop. NLLD should have the initial surveys in a few more weeks.

Photo Presentation: A. Ostheimer presented photos and gave explanations on the following projects: C4,C5,D1; Dixie Canal; Zeller Larousse Levee; Natural Gas Levee; MtoG Reach 2; T-Bois Levee/Tie-In

CPRA Fiscal Year 2023 Draft Annual Plan Brief Discussion: D. Bourgeois reported to the board Katie will send the links to the virtual public hearings for CPRA to receive public comments on the 2023 Draft Annual Plan. D. Bourgeois stated it was recognized by CPRA that Katie from NLLD was present at the 2023 Draft Annual Plan meeting in Thibodaux and publicly commented to support the 2023 Draft Annual Plan and thanked CPRA for their tremendous help to NLLD.

NFIP: D. Bourgeois reported there is currently not much movement with NFIP on the program's reauthorization (The program ends on 2/18 without action from Congress) and RR2.0, or the RFI they recently put out. Senator Kennedy wrote a letter to President Biden about how much RR2.0 will impact insurance policy holders.

Other Meetings this Month: D. Bourgeois stated in addition to the regular monthly meeting circuit and those previously discussed, he participated in the following meetings:

CPRA Board Meeting: 1/19/22

Going Public: 1/20/22

DC Meetings: 1/25/22-1/28/22

LTSWCD & NLLD Watershed Planning Discussion: 1/31/22

Reach L Apache Farm Discussion: 2/9/22

BTNEP Conference: 2/10/22

ALBL Executive Committee Meeting: 2/11/22

BIG Luncheon: 2/14/22

SCIA Luncheon: 2/15/22

MAC Meeting: 2/15/22

Finance & Priority Committee: Committee Chair Louis Andolsek reported that the Finance and Priority Committee conducted a meeting on January 18, 2022. The NLLD Board has a copy of those minutes in tonight's meeting packet. During that meeting, the committee reviewed and approved the Payables Report that was accepted by the full board in the Regular meeting that followed.

Accounts Payable: A motion was made by L. Andolsek, seconded by A. Peltier to accept the Payables Report as given. No discussion or public comment. Motion passed unanimously.

The President called for other engineering reports; there were none.

The President called for additional public comments; there were none.

The President announced the next Regular Monthly Board Meeting will be at 5:30 PM (or immediately following the 5:15 PM F&P Committee meeting) on Tuesday, March 15, 2022, at the District's office located at 3862 Highway 1, Raceland, LA. The meeting was unanimously adjourned at 7:24 PM on motion by E. Pitre, seconded by D. Kiffe.

/s/Cory Kief, President

/s/Dwayne Bourgeois, Executive Director