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EXTRACT OF THE OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNCIL OF THE PARISH OF ST. BERNARD, STATE OF LOUISIANA, TAKEN AT A REGULAR MEETING HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF THE ST. BERNARD PARISH GOVERNMENT COMPLEX, 8201 WEST JUDGE PEREZ DRIVE, CHALMETTE, LOUISIANA ON TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2018 AT SEVEN O'CLOCK P.M.

On motion of Mr. Mr. Lewis, seconded by Mr. Montelongo, it was moved to adopt the following resolution:

## RESOLUTION SBPC #1879-09-18

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE RESTORE ACT MULTIYEAR IMPLEMENTATION PLAN UPDATE.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, THE St. Bernard Parish Council does hereby adopt the Restore Act Multiyear Implementation Plan Update as attached in Exhibit "A", Amendment "1".

The above and foregoing having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereupon resulted as follows:

**YEAS:** McCloskey, Gorbaty, Luna, Alcon, Montelongo, Lewis

**NAYS:** None

**ABSENT:** None

The Council Chair, Ms. Callais, cast her vote as YEA.

And the motion was declared **adopted** on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2018.



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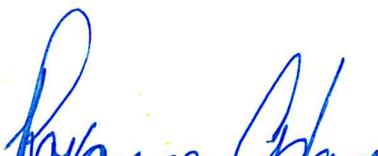
The Council Chair, Ms. Callais, cast her vote as YEA.

And the motion was declared **adopted** on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2018.

## CERTIFICATE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of a motion adopted at a Regular Meeting of the Council of the Parish of St. Bernard, held at Chalmette, Louisiana, on Tuesday, September 18, 2018.

Witness my hand and the seal  
of the Parish of St. Bernard on  
this 18<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2018.



ROXANNE ADAMS  
CLERK OF COUNCIL



# St. Bernard Parish Government

Coastal Division

## RESTORE Act Multiyear Implementation Plan



January 2017

UPDATED: November 2017



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## I. Executive Summary

On April 20, 2010, a series of explosions on the Deepwater Horizon oil rig caused the Macondo well to blowout and release nearly five million barrels of crude oil (Austin et al. 2014). The incident occurred in the Gulf of Mexico approximately forty miles off the coast of Louisiana. Eleven crewmembers perished during the initial explosions and the resulting oil spill would continue until the well was capped on July 15, 2010. The Deepwater Horizon incident (hereafter referred to as the "BP Oil Spill") was the deadliest and most environmentally devastating oil spill in US history.

The economic impacts of the BP Oil Spill were significant and far-reaching. All deep water drilling activities in the US ceased within five days of the incident and would remain suspended by the US Department of Interior until October 2010 (Austin et al. 2014). This period of inactivity resulted in significant consequences for the petroleum industry. The fishing and ecotourism industries along the Gulf Coast were also devastated by the BP Oil Spill, and the environmental impacts of the incident would continue to adversely impact these sectors well into the future.

St. Bernard Parish, Louisiana was particularly devastated by the BP Oil Spill due to community's prominent commercial fishing industry. According to the National Oceanographic and Atmospheric Agency (NOAA), marine-related businesses accounted for 19% of all employment in St. Bernard Parish as of 2009 (NOAA 2012). Approximately 68% of all marine-related industry in St. Bernard Parish provided goods and services relative to commercial and recreational fishing prior to the BP Oil Spill (Small Business Association 2013). The annual economic impact of marine-related activities in the parish was approximately \$198 million before the incident occurred (NOAA 2012).

In July 2012, President Barack Obama signed into law the Resources and Ecosystems Sustainability, Tourist Opportunities, and Revived Economies of the Gulf Coast States Act (RESTORE Act), which was passed by Congress as a means of creating a mechanism by which a portion of the civil penalties associated with the BP Oil Spill could be utilized to mitigate the impacts of the incident. The Direct Component of the RESTORE Act makes 35% of all penalty funds available to four Gulf States (Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama, and Florida); twenty-three (23) Florida counties; and twenty (20) Louisiana parishes for eligible activities, programs, and projects as per the 31 CFR, Part 34. As an eligible applicant for Direct Component funding, St. Bernard Parish Government (SBPG) is required to submit a *multiyear implementation plan* (MIP) outlining and prioritizing eligible program activities in preparation of future requests for funding.



## II. Previous Planning Efforts

Restoring Louisiana's coast was a top priority for the State of Louisiana and SBPG prior to the BP Oil Spill. However, the incident exacerbated many existing problems and created new challenges for coastal communities throughout Louisiana, thereby providing the impetus for a greater level of commitment and a heightened sense of urgency. Consequently, there are several recent state and local coastal restoration planning documents that SBPG was able to take into consideration as the organization crafted its RESTORE MIP.

### ***Louisiana's Comprehensive Master Plan for a Sustainable Coast (2012 and 2017)***

The Louisiana Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority (CPRA) is a State agency that was established as the single authority for coastal restoration in Louisiana. The CPRA has initiated a comprehensive planning and implementation strategy for protecting the environment and economy in the state's coastal region, as documented in *Louisiana's Comprehensive Master Plan for a Sustainable Coast (2012 and 2017 State Master Plans)*. Three of the stated objectives outlined in the 2012 and 2017 State Master Plans are to sustain cultural heritage, promote a working coast, and provide coastal habitats. The CPRA defines these objectives as follows:

**Cultural Heritage:** Sustain, to the extent practicable, the unique cultural heritage of coastal Louisiana by protecting historic properties and traditional living cultures and their ties and relationships to the natural environment.

**Working Coast:** Promote a viable working coast to support regionally and nationally important businesses and industries.

**Coastal Habitats:** Provide habitats suitable to support an array of commercial and recreational activities coast wide. (CPRA 2012)

### ***St. Bernard Parish Coastal Zone Management Program Document (2012)***

The *St. Bernard Parish Coastal Zone Management Program Document (Program Document)* was presented to the St. Bernard Parish Council in 2012 for the purpose of providing guidance on local coastal program implementation and restoration project selection. The Program Document also highlighted the



economic significance of the natural environment in St. Bernard Parish. Goals set forth in this document include:

**Promoting recreational facilities in the wetlands** through the development of facilities such as parks and boat launches;

**Supporting environmentally sound economic uses** with special emphasis on sustainable multiple-use of waterfront areas; and

**Protecting stable wetlands, reducing land loss in deteriorating wetlands, and creating and restoring wetlands**, where practicable. (Coastal Environments, Inc. 2012)

The framework provided in the Program Document was utilized in identifying projects during subsequent local planning efforts. Similarly, the SBPG RESTORE MIP was devised and updated with the framework and goals of the document in mind.

#### ***St. Bernard Parish Project Priority List (2015)***

The St. Bernard Parish Coastal Zone Advisory Committee (CZAC) presented the St. Bernard Parish Council with a suite of proposed coastal restoration projects in 2015. The projects were listed in order of priority and were adopted by the St. Bernard Council. Several of the projects included on the list were subsequently submitted to the CPRA and are now being considered for inclusion in the 2017 State Master Plan. However, many of the projects required further scoping and feasibility analysis in order to be given serious consideration for funding. This list of projects would become the foundation of the *St. Bernard Parish Priority Coastal Projects Document* (Coastal Strategy Document), which included a preliminary scope of work; projected budget; feasibility analysis; and funding matrix for each project.

#### ***St. Bernard Parish Coastal Strategy Document (2016)***

The Coastal Strategy Document includes an updated list of proposed projects that were ranked using a three-tier priority system. The document also includes a funding matrix which outlines potential funding sources for proposed projects. Several projects included in the Coastal Strategy Document are now being



considered as candidates for RESTORE Act Direct Component funding, including:

**Recreational Fishing Complexes and Public Seafood Market:**

These projects were included in the Coastal Strategy Document due to the projected economic benefits of investing in additional recreational and commercial fishing infrastructure and ecotourism in St. Bernard Parish;

**Paris Road Corridor Streetscape Enhancement:** This project was included in the Coastal Strategy Document in order to promote ecotourism in St. Bernard Parish by accentuating the natural environment along Paris Road; and

**Lake Lery Marsh Creation (Phase 2):** This approximately 40-acre marsh creation and nourishment project has already been designed and permitted, but is currently lacking construction funding. The project was included in the Coastal Strategy Document because it would restore natural resources, ecosystems, fisheries, and critical marine and wildlife habitat in St. Bernard Parish.  
(St. Bernard Parish Government 2016)

### **St. Bernard Parish Bikeway and Pedestrian Plan Update (2017)**

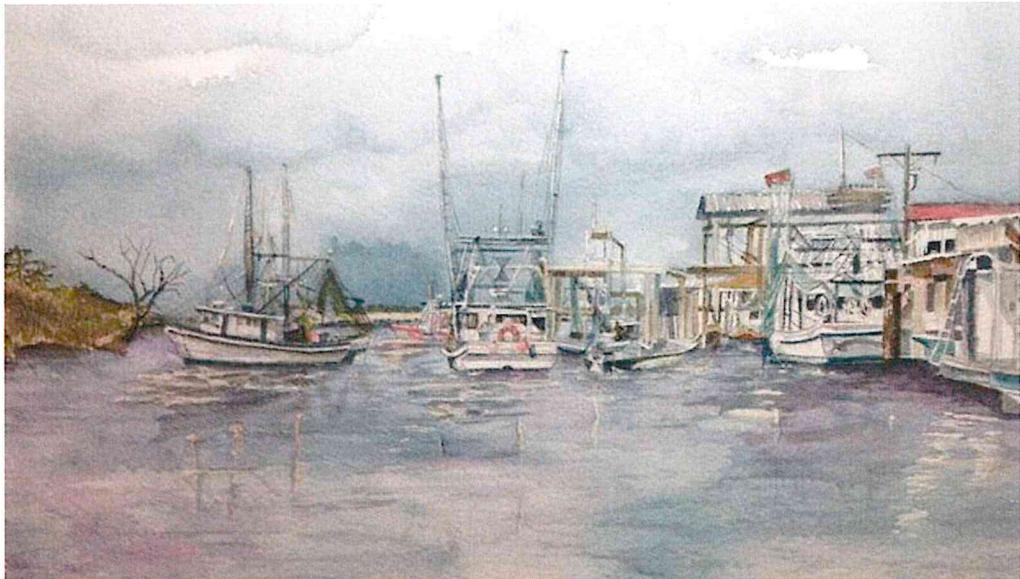
The purpose of this document is to provide a parish-wide network for non-motorized travel that links local destinations, communities within St. Bernard Parish, and the Parish with neighboring Orleans and Plaquemines parishes. A major feature of the plan is a regional network that takes advantage of St. Bernard's unique geography by providing trails along the levee system.

**Central Wetlands Unit Bike Path:** The purpose of this proposed project is to construct a portion of the regional trail network. The project includes engineering/design and construction of a 6 ft. wide limestone screenings path on top of the back levee for a distance of approximately one mile. This segment begins at Paris Road (LA 47) and extends eastward to Val Riess Park, one of two major SBPG regional parks.

The above projects, along with a workforce development and job creation component, have formed the basis of SBPG's updated RESTORE MIP.



**Image II-1**  
Shell Beach, St. Bernard Parish



(Painting by: Elaine Mercer)

### **III. RESTORE Act Multiyear Implementation Planning Process**

An initial draft of the SBPG RESTORE MIP was presented to the St. Bernard Parish CZAC on August 31, 2016. Pursuant to the 31 CFR, Part 34, the document was made available for public comment via [www.sbpsg.net](http://www.sbpsg.net) (electronic version) and in hard copy from September 1, 2016 through October 17, 2016. SBPG issued a press release on September 1, 2016 announcing the availability of the plan and providing instructions for submitting public comments. This information was also shared via social media.

SBPG published a public notice in the parish's official journal on October 14, 2016 and October 28, 2016, announcing that the public comment period had been extended through November 15, 2016 and providing instructions for submitting comments in writing and in-person. This information was also shared via social media. Upon expiration of the public comment period, comments from the CZAC and the public were compiled into a memo and presented to the St. Bernard Parish Council at its regular meeting on November 15, 2016.

After the initial draft of the RESTORE MIP was officially adopted by the St. Bernard Parish Council on November 15, 2016, the document was submitted to the US Department of the Treasury for preliminary review. SBPG received comments



from the department on December 9, 2016. A revised draft of the RESTORE MIP was then presented to the St. Bernard Parish CZAC on January 4, 2017.

Pursuant to the 31 CFR, Part 34, the revised document was made available for public comment via [www.sbpsg.net](http://www.sbpsg.net) (electronic version) and in hard copy from January 5, 2017 through February 20, 2017. SBPG issued a press release on January 5, 2017 announcing the availability of the revised plan and providing instructions for submitting public comments. This information was also shared via social media.

There were no subsequent public comments. The St. Bernard Parish Council adopted the revised document on February 21, 2017. SBPG published a final public notice in the parish's official journal on March 10, 2017, announcing that there would be one final opportunity for public comment through March 15, 2017 and providing instructions for submitting comments in writing and in-person. A final draft of the document was submitted to the US Department of the Treasury for review and approval on March 16, 2017.

An initial draft of the SBPG RESTORE MIP Update was presented to the St. Bernard Parish CZAC on October 25, 2017 (see Appendix A). Pursuant to the 31 CFR, Part 34, the document was made available for public comment via [www.sbpsg.net](http://www.sbpsg.net) (electronic version) and in hard copy on November 8, 2017. SBPG issued a press release on November 8, 2017 announcing the availability of the plan and providing instructions for submitting public comments. This information was also shared via social media.

SBPG published a public notice in the parish's official journal from November 17, 2017 through December 29, 2017 (five weekly notices), announcing the public comment period and providing instructions for submitting comments in writing and in-person (see Appendix A). This information was also shared via social media. There were no public comments. The RESTORE MIP Update was subsequently presented to the St. Bernard Parish Council at its regular meeting on September 18, 2018 (see Appendix A).

The St. Bernard Parish Council adopted the RESTORE MIP Update on September 18, 2018 and the document was submitted to the US Department of the Treasury for review and approval on September 19, 2018.



**Image III-1**  
A fur trapping camp in Delacroix, St. Bernard Parish (1940)



(Photo by: Marion Post Wolcott)

#### **IV. RESTORE Direct Component Allocation and Budget Overview**

According to the US Department of the Treasury, Office of Gulf Coast Restoration, the net RESTORE Direct Component allocation available to St. Bernard Parish is projected to be **\$2,780,077.33** by 2018. This figure is projected to grow to **\$4,628,223.25** by 2021. This RESTORE MIP Update will account for how SBPG intends to utilize these funds for eligible program activities over the next several years. Table IV-1 (below) provides a summary of activities proposed by SBPG. It is also worth noting that SBPG has already submitted RESTORE Direct Component grant applications for the following activities:

- Paris Road Corridor Streetscape Enhancement (\$800,000) (APPROVED)
- Nunez Fisheries Workforce Development Program (\$225,000) (APPROVED)



**Table IV-1**  
RESTORE Direct Component Budget Overview

<b>RESTORE Activity (2017-2018)</b>	<b>Scope of Work</b>	<b>Budget</b>
Shell Beach Recreational Fishing Complex	Design (100%) + Construction (100%)	\$1,374,000.00
Paris Road Corridor Streetscape Enhancement	Design (100%) + Installation (100%)	\$800,000.00
Nunez Fisheries Workforce Development	Program Funding: Years 1 & 2 (100%)	\$225,000.00
Lake Lery Marsh Creation (Phase 2)	Construction	\$300,000.00
SBPG Administrative Costs	Program/Grant Management	\$80,970.00
		<b>TOTAL:</b> \$2,779,970.00
		<b>ESTIMATED ALLOCATION (2018):</b> \$2,780,077.33
		<b>REMAINING BALANCE (2018):</b> \$107.33
<b>RESTORE Activity (2019-2021)</b>	<b>Scope of Work</b>	<b>Budget</b>
Hopedale Recreational Pier and Public Market	Design (100%) + Construction (100%)	\$1,000,000.00
Central Wetlands Unit Bike Path	Design (100%) + Construction (100%)	\$500,000.00
SBPG Administrative Costs	Program/Grant Management	\$45,000.00
		<b>TOTAL:</b> \$1,545,000.00
		<b>ESTIMATED ALLOCATION (2019-2021):</b> \$1,848,145.92
		<b>REMAINING BALANCE (2021):</b> \$303,145.92



## V. Proposed Activities

The RESTORE Act contains eleven categories of activities eligible for funding under the Direct Component:

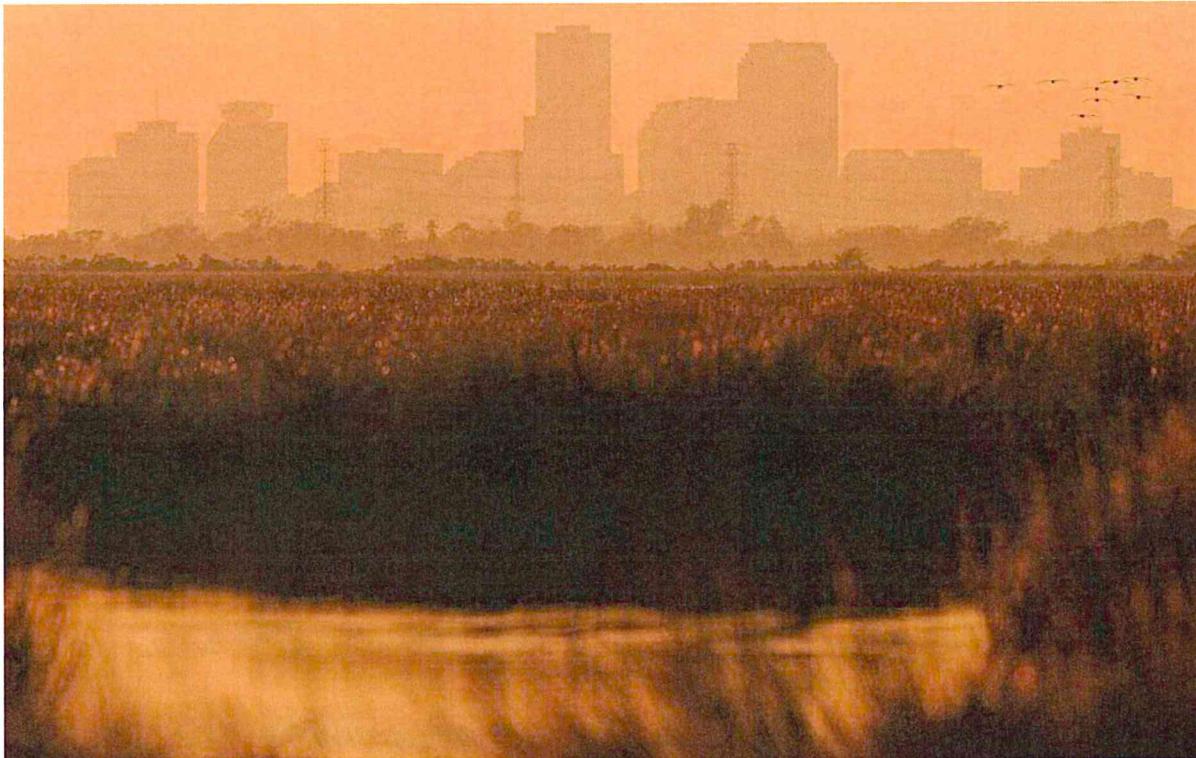
1. Restoration and protection of the natural resources, ecosystems, fisheries, marine and wildlife habitats, beaches and coastal wetlands of the Gulf Coast region.
2. Mitigation of damage to fish, wildlife, and natural resources.
3. Implementation of a federally-approved marine, coastal or comprehensive conservation management plan, including fisheries monitoring.
4. Workforce development and job creation.
5. Improvements to or on State parks located in coastal areas affected by the Deepwater Horizon oil spill.
6. Infrastructure projects benefiting the economy or ecological resources, including port infrastructure.
7. Coastal flood protection and related infrastructure.
8. Planning assistance.
9. Administrative costs of complying with the Act.
10. Promotion of tourism in the Gulf Coast region, including recreational fishing.
11. Promotion of the consumption of seafood harvested from the Gulf Coast region.

Each activity proposed in the SBPG RESTORE MIP Update is consistent with one or more of the above RESTORE activity categories.



**Image V-1**

*The New Orleans skyline, as seen from Paris Road in St. Bernard Parish*



(Source: The New Orleans Advocate)

SBPG is in the process of pursuing funding for a number of coastal restoration projects outside of what is being proposed in the RESTORE MIP Update. A complete list of non-RESTORE activities and their current status has been included in Appendix C.

The activities currently being proposed for RESTORE Act Direct Component funding include:

- A. Shell Beach Recreational Fishing Complex at the Katrina Memorial
- B. Paris Road Corridor Streetscape Enhancement
- C. Nunez Community College Fisheries Workforce Development Program
- D. Lake Lery Marsh Creation (Phase 2)
- E. Hopedale Recreational Fishing Complex and Public Seafood Market
- F. Central Wetlands Unit Bike Path



## A. Shell Beach Recreational Fishing Complex at the Katrina Memorial

<b>RESTORE Category:</b>	Infrastructure project benefiting the economy or ecological resources Promotion of tourism in the Gulf Coast region, including recreational fishing
<b>Total Estimated Cost:</b>	\$1,374,000
<b>Initial RESTORE Request:</b>	\$1,374,000
<b>Project Timeline:</b>	Engineering/Design Started (March 2019); Engineering/Design Completed (June 2019); Construction Started (September 2018); Construction Completed (March 2020); Project Monitoring (through December 2022)

**Map V-1**

SBPG proposes to construct a recreational fishing complex in the Shell Beach area





**Description:** The proposed project includes the design and construction of a recreational fishing complex in Shell Beach. Project elements include a pier; bulkhead; parking lot; and restroom. The facility will be constructed on publicly owned property in eastern St. Bernard Parish and will be operated by SBPG in perpetuity. SBPG is currently negotiating the donation of the subject property.

**Need:** Recreational fishing piers are needed in eastern St. Bernard Parish in order to provide a space for locals and tourists to safely fish and/or enjoy the natural environment while remaining at a safe distance from area highways. This deficiency has had the effect of limiting economic opportunities in eastern St. Bernard Parish.

**Purpose:** The proposed project includes the construction of a recreational fishing complex in the Shell Beach area. Site selection for the improvements is ongoing and will be based on the location and availability of waterfront property and the likelihood of public utility and economic benefits. Once a site is secured and the project is designed and constructed, SBPG believes the improvements will be invaluable tools for the promotion of ecotourism and the consumption of Gulf seafood in eastern St. Bernard Parish.

**Objectives:** The objective of the proposed project is to design and construct a recreational fishing complex in the Shell Beach area. The complex would include a pier; bulkhead; parking lot; and restroom. Once constructed, the facilities would be operated and maintained by SBPG in perpetuity for the purpose of enhancing economic opportunities in eastern St. Bernard Parish.

**Funds Requested:** SBPG's initial RESTORE Direct Component request for this project would be \$1,374,000. The breakdown of this proposed request is as follows:

- \$130,000 for engineering and design; and
- \$1,244,000 for construction.

**Project Milestones:** 100% design (June 2019); begin construction (September 2019); complete construction (March 2020); and project monitoring (through December 2022).

**Performance Measures:** Facility utilization and economic impact will be used to gauge project performance.

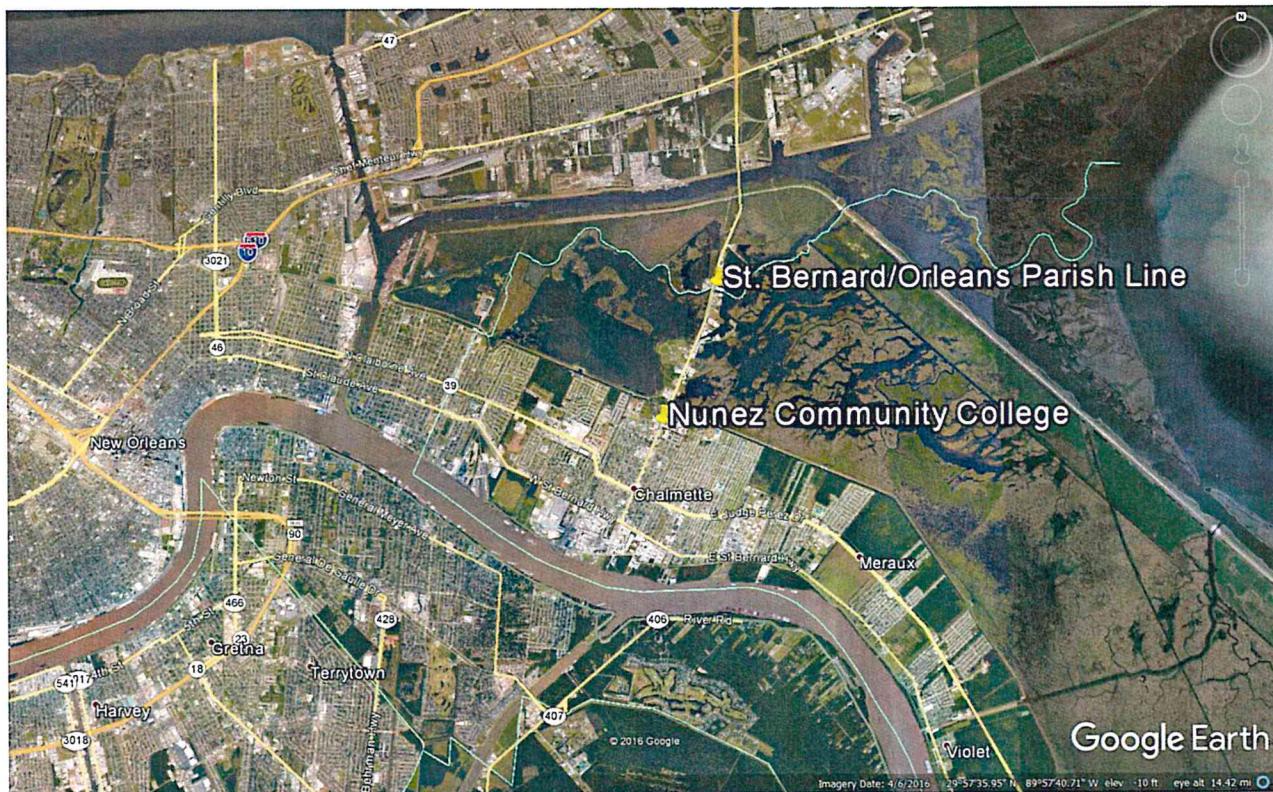


## B. Paris Road Corridor Streetscape Enhancement

<b>RESTORE Category:</b>	Infrastructure project benefiting the economy or ecological resources Promotion of tourism in the Gulf Coast region, including recreational fishing
<b>Total Estimated Cost:</b>	\$800,000
<b>Initial RESTORE Request:</b>	\$800,000 (100% Design + Installation) ***AWARDED FEBRUARY 2018***
<b>Project Timeline:</b>	Design completed (March 2019); installation started (September 2019); Installation completed (December 2019); project monitoring (through December 2022)

### Map V-2

SBPG proposes to enhance the Paris Road streetscape from the St. Bernard/Orleans Parish line to Nunez Community College





**Description:** The proposed project includes the design and installation of a suite of streetscape enhancements along Paris Road, including new lighting; landscaping; interpretive signage; and public displays of art, in order to accentuate the natural environment along the thoroughfare and promote ecotourism. Additionally, SBPG proposes to remove all visible marine debris within one hundred (100) feet of Paris Road. All improvements will be made on publicly owned or leased land and will be maintained by SBPG in perpetuity.

**Need:** Paris Road runs north—south through the Central Wetlands Unit and is one of only three thoroughfares connecting St. Bernard Parish to New Orleans. While the other major thoroughfares have been enhanced since Hurricane Katrina, the Paris Road corridor remains unimproved. Funds to enhance the streetscape and capitalize on the natural features along the highway have heretofore not been available.

**Purpose:** The purpose of the proposed project is to promote ecotourism, recreational fishing, and the consumption of Gulf seafood in eastern St. Bernard Parish.

**Objectives:** The objectives of the proposed project are to design and install a suite of streetscape enhancements that will improve aesthetics along the Paris Road corridor and increase public awareness of the natural environment and ecotourism opportunities in St. Bernard Parish, which is located in the Gulf Coast region. The proposed project: (1) constitutes an infrastructure project benefiting the economy or ecological resources; and (2) promotes tourism in the Gulf Coast region, including recreational fishing. The proposed activity is therefore eligible for RESTORE Act funding.

**Funds Requested:** SBPG's RESTORE Direct Component request for this project will be \$800,000. The breakdown of the proposed request is as follows:

- \$80,000 for streetscape enhancement design; and
- \$720,000 for streetscape enhancement installation.

**Project Milestones:** 100% design (March 2019); begin installation (September 2019); complete installation (December 2019); and project monitoring (through December 2022).

**Performance Measures:** Once completed, SBPG will gauge project performance by surveying local residents and businesses, visitors, and design professionals around the metropolitan area regarding the appearance and functionality of the design interventions.



## C. Nunez Community College Fisheries Workforce Development Program

<b>RESTORE Category:</b>	Workforce Development and Job Creation Promotion of the consumption of seafood harvested in the Gulf region
<b>Total Estimated Cost:</b>	\$225,000
<b>Initial RESTORE Request:</b>	\$225,000 (2-year program) ***AWARDED FEBRUARY 2018***
<b>Project Timeline:</b>	Program design completed (August 2018); program implementation (August 2018 through June 2020); program monitoring (through December 2020).

### **Image V-3**

Nunez Community College, located in St. Bernard Parish, is one of only ten state community colleges in Louisiana



(Source: Nunez Community College)



**Description:** SBPG proposes to collaborate with Nunez Community College (Nunez) to design and implement a workforce development program that is focused on emerging fisheries-oriented sectors. The target audience for the program will be current commercial fishermen and their families, mid-career workers, and high school students.

**Need:** Nunez recently commissioned An Assessment for a *Fisheries Hub of Excellence at Nunez Community College* (TMG Consulting 2016) to explore establishing the school as a center for fisheries-oriented workforce development. The study identified a number of needs for fisheries-oriented businesses in the region. An opportunity now exists to develop new curriculum at Nunez for the purpose of establishing a program that will address unmet workforce development needs relative to the aforementioned sectors.

**Purpose:** The purpose of the proposed program is to design and implement a workforce development program that is focused on creating or enhancing jobs and entrepreneurship in emerging fisheries-oriented sectors.

**Objective:** The objective of the proposed program is to design and administer a workforce development program that addresses unmet needs relative to the emerging fisheries-oriented sectors in St. Bernard Parish, which is located in the Gulf Coast region. The proposed program: (1) will be designed to foster workforce development and job creation; and (2) will promote the consumption of seafood from the Gulf Coast region. The proposed activity is therefore eligible for RESTORE Act funding.

**Funds Requested:** SBPG's RESTORE Direct Component request for this project will be \$225,000. The breakdown of this proposed request is as follows:

- \$112,500 for program design; outreach; staffing; and scholarship awards during year 1; and
- \$112,500 for program outreach; staffing; and scholarship awards during year 2.

**Project Milestones:** Program design completed (August 2018); Year 1 implementation (August 2018 through June 2019); Year 2 implementation (August 2019 through June 2020); and program monitoring (through December 2020).

**Performance Measures:** SBPG will gauge the success of the program by student enrollment and matriculation, as well as post-training job placement and entrepreneurship.

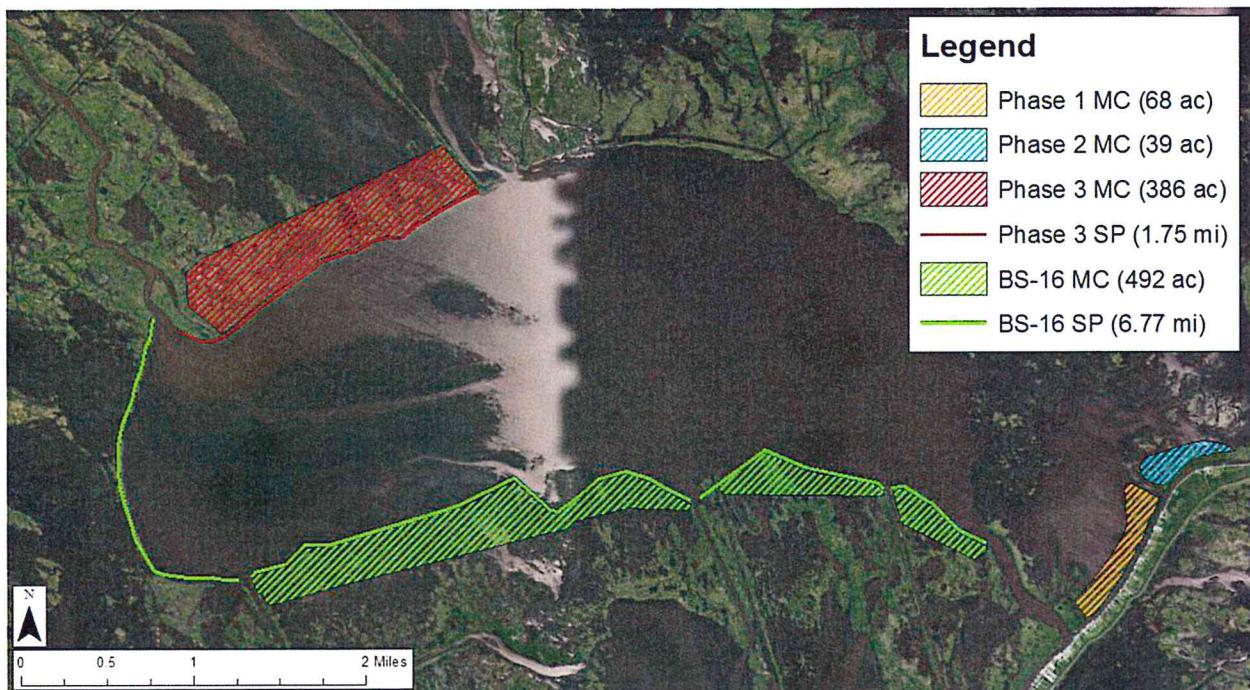


## D. Lake Lery Marsh Creation (Phase 2)

<b>RESTORE Category:</b>	Restoration and protection of the natural resources, ecosystems, fisheries, marine and wildlife habitats, beaches and coastal wetlands of the Gulf Coast region
	Mitigation of damage to fish, wildlife, and natural resources
<b>Total Estimated Cost:</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>Initial RESTORE Request:</b>	\$300,000 for Construction (10% of total cost; \$2,700,000 will be secured from CPRA RESTORE Act Parish Matching Program)
<b>Project Timeline:</b>	Construction started (January 2019); construction completed (July 2019); project monitoring (through December 2022)

**Map V-4**

There are a number of ongoing and proposed efforts to create marsh near Lake Lery in St. Bernard and Plaquemines parishes





**Description:** Lake Lery Marsh Creation (Phase 2) would create 29 acres of marsh and nourish an additional 10 acres of marsh near Delacroix in eastern St. Bernard Parish. The proposed project is a continuation of Phase 1, which created 68 acres of new marsh in the same general area. The project consists of dredging material from Lake Lery and placing the material behind containment berms in the target area. Both the containment berms and the containment cells will also be planted with native vegetation. This project has already been designed and permitted (Coastal Impact Assistance Program) and is currently ready for construction.

**Need:** Much of the shoreline of Lake Lery and the surrounding wetlands have degraded over the past decade. Wind-induced waves in the lake have begun to further damage its already eroding shorelines, and the northwestern edge has seen the greatest rate of retreat and loss of emergent marsh habitat. The proposed project would restore a portion of the damaged area and provide additional fish and wildlife habitat.

**Purpose:** The purpose of the proposed project is to restore marsh in an area where natural ecosystems and wildlife and fisheries habitat have been severely damaged.

**Objective:** The objective of the proposed project is to create or nourish 39 acres of marsh in St. Bernard Parish, which is located in the Gulf Coast region. The proposed project: (1) will restore natural ecosystems, fisheries, and marine and wildlife habitat in the Gulf Coast region; and (2) mitigate damage to fish, wildlife, and natural resources. The proposed activity is therefore eligible for RESTORE Act funding.

**Funds Requested:** SBPG's RESTORE Direct Component request for this project will be \$300,000. The breakdown of this proposed request is as follows:

- \$300,000 will be requested for the purpose of funding 10% of the total construction cost. SBPG has secured the remaining 90% of construction funding from the State of Louisiana (RESTORE Act Parish Matching Program) and is awaiting official award.

**Project Milestones:** Construction started (January 2019); construction completed (July 2019); and project monitoring (through December 2022).

**Performance Measures:** SBPG will gauge the success of the project by the number of healthy acres of marsh created or nourished as a result of the project.



## E. Hopedale Recreational Fishing Complex and Public Seafood Market

<b>RESTORE Category:</b>	Infrastructure project benefiting the economy or ecological resources Promotion of tourism in the Gulf Coast region, including recreational fishing
<b>Total Estimated Cost:</b>	\$1,000,000
<b>Initial RESTORE Request:</b>	TBD
<b>Project Timeline:</b>	TBD

### Map V-5

SBPG proposes to construct a recreational fishing complex and public seafood market in Hopedale





**Description:** The proposed project includes the design and construction of a recreational fishing complex and public seafood market in Hopedale. Project elements include a pier; bulkhead; parking lot; restroom; and pavilion. The site will function as both a recreational fishing area and public seafood market. The facility will be constructed on publicly owned or leased property in eastern St. Bernard Parish and will be operated by SBPG in perpetuity.

**Need:** Recreational fishing piers are needed in St. Bernard Parish in order to provide a space for locals and tourists to fish and enjoy the natural environment while remaining a safe distance from area highways. Additionally, the parish is currently lacking available space for commercial fishermen to engage in the direct-to-market sale of fresh seafood. Deficiencies in recreational fishing infrastructure and the lack of a public seafood market have had the effect of limiting economic opportunities in St. Bernard Parish.

**Purpose:** The proposed project includes the construction of a recreational fishing pier and public seafood market/pavilion complex in the Hopedale area. Site selection for the improvements is ongoing and will be based on the location and availability of waterfront property and the likelihood of public utility and economic benefits. Once site selection is finalized and the project is designed and constructed, SBPG believes the improvements will be invaluable tools for the promotion of ecotourism and the consumption of Gulf seafood in eastern St. Bernard Parish.

**Objectives:** The objective of the proposed project is to design and construct a recreational fishing pier and public seafood market/pavilion complex in the Hopedale area. The fishing pier and public seafood market/pavilion complex would include a pier, covered pavilion, restroom, and parking lot. Once constructed, the facilities would be operated and maintained by SBPG in perpetuity for the purpose of enhancing economic opportunities in eastern St. Bernard Parish.

**Funds Requested:** It is likely that SBPG would not request RESTORE Act funding for the subject project until after 2019.

**Project Milestones:** TBD

**Performance Measures:** SBPG will gauge performance based on facility utilization by recreational fishermen; number of annual public seafood market events; and the economic impact of direct-to-market sales on the site.

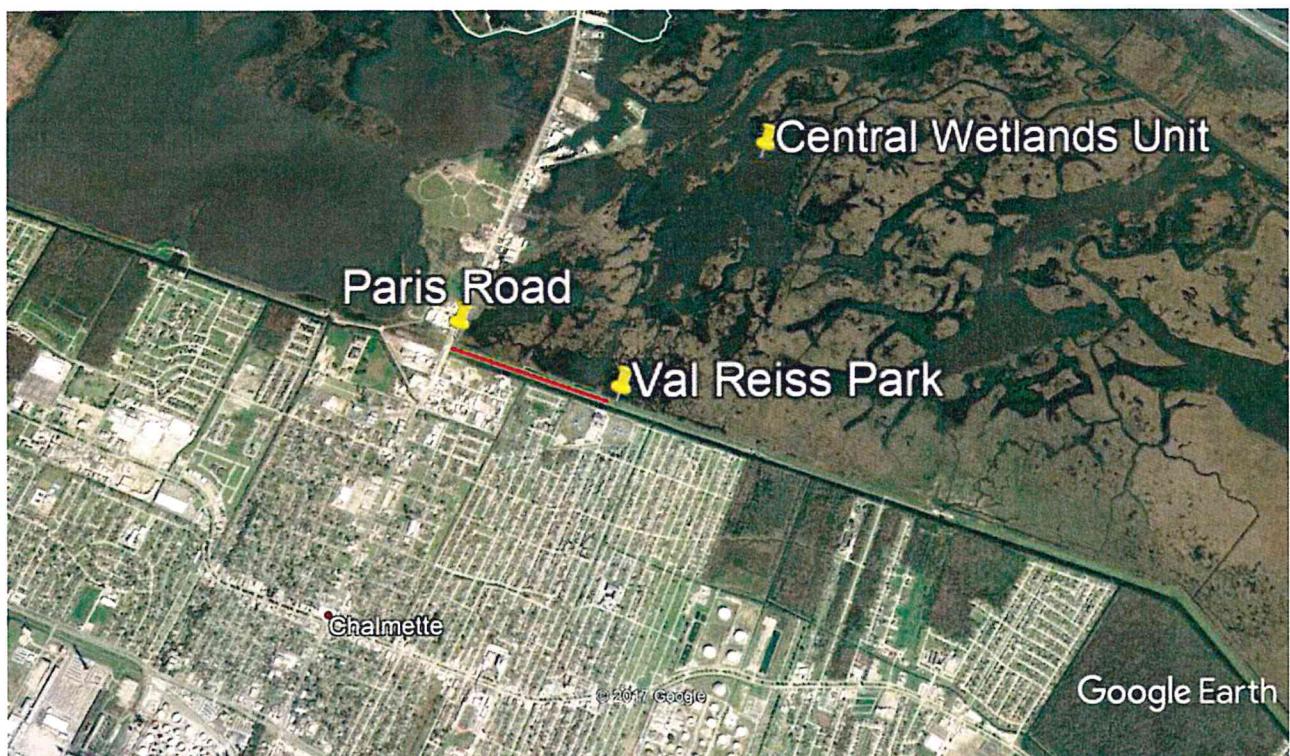


## F. Central Wetlands Unit Bike Path

<b>RESTORE Category:</b>	Infrastructure project benefiting the economy or ecological resources Promotion of tourism in the Gulf Coast region, including recreational fishing
<b>Total Estimated Cost:</b>	\$500,000 (Phase III)
<b>Initial RESTORE Request:</b>	TBD
<b>Project Timeline:</b>	TBD

**Map V-6**

SBPG proposes to construct Phase III of a planned 26-mile trail bordering the Central Wetlands at the location shown below in central St. Bernard Parish





**Description:** The 26-mile 40 Arpent Trail will feature the Central Wetlands Bike Path (Phase III) on top of the back levee adjacent to this unique wetland area. The trail will be accessible at selected points that connect to existing parks, recreational facilities, neighborhoods and bridges. A major goal of this new plan is to boost eco-tourism utilizing trails to showcase our unique natural environment and capitalizing on the fact that these trails are located less than an 8-mile bicycle ride from New Orleans' French Quarter.

**Need:** In June 2017, SBPG adopted the *St. Bernard Parish Bikeway and Pedestrian Plan Update*. The purpose of this document is to provide a parish-wide network for non-motorized travel that links local destinations, communities within St. Bernard Parish, and the Parish with neighboring Orleans and Plaquemines Parishes. A major feature of the plan is a regional network that takes advantage of St. Bernard's unique geography by providing trails along the levee system. At the present time, it is difficult for the average citizen to enjoy this natural area if they do not have marine transportation. This new trail will provide that access 24 hours a day, free of charge. The trail will be accessible at selected points that connect to existing parks, recreational facilities, neighborhoods and bridges.

**Purpose:** The purpose of this proposed project is to construct a select portion of this regional trail network. The project includes engineering and construction of a 6 ft. wide limestone screenings path on top of the back levee for a distance of approximately one mile (Phase III). This segment begins at Paris Road (LA 47) and extends eastward to Val Riess Park, one of two major SBPG regional parks. Once constructed, SBPG believes these improvements will be invaluable tools for the promotion of ecotourism, increasing public awareness and appreciation for our natural environment.

**Objectives:** The objectives of the proposed project are to design and construct a one-mile long 6 ft. wide walking path on top of the back levee, thereby completing a major section of this regional trail network. Once constructed, this facility would be operated and maintained by SBPG in perpetuity for the purpose of expanding eco-tourism, improving non-motorized mobility, and increasing access to unique natural areas in St. Bernard Parish.

**Funds Requested:** It is likely that SBPG would not request RESTORE Act funding for the subject project until after 2019.

**Project Milestones:** TBD

**Performance Measures:** Trail utilization and economic impact will be used to gauge project performance.



## VI. St. Bernard Parish Government Coastal Division Staff

SBPG will be requesting 3% per activity in order to cover the administrative costs associated with complying with the RESTORE Act. Based on the activities currently included in the SBPG RESTORE MIP through 2021, the parish has accounted for a total of **\$125,970** in administrative costs.

The current SBPG Coastal Division staff members are as follows:

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## Appendix A

### CZAC Adoption



### *St. Bernard Parish Government*

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**Guy McInnis**  
*Parish President*

October 26, 2017

On Wednesday October 25, 2017 at 6pm, the St. Bernard Parish Coastal Zone Advisory Committee (CZAC) held their monthly meeting. The meeting was convened at the Los Islenos Museum Complex located at 1357 Bayou Road, in St. Bernard.

The meeting was attended by the following Coastal Zone Advisory Committee members:

Nicky Alphonso  
Robbie Campo  
Captain Brian Clark  
Raymond "Bozo" Couture  
Johnny Gallo  
Fabian Guerra – non voting member – St. Bernard Parish Coastal Inspector  
Jim Hasik  
Philip Livadais  
Charles Leon  
Mark Munson  
Blaise Pezold  
Junior Rodriguez – Honorary Lifetime Member

An additional meeting attendee included the following current elected official:  
Monty Montelongo - Council member District E

The CZAC discussed the Restore Act Multi Year Implementation Plan Update. The CZAC committee was unanimously in favor of the proposed changes.

In general discussion, two items were brought up and debated. The Gulfport expansion project, and several future sites for restoration activities, possible CWPPRA projects were mentioned. No decisions or resolutions were proposed or voted upon by the St. Bernard Parish Coastal Zone Committee during this section of the meeting.

The meeting was adjourned after the CZAC decided that they will convene their next meeting at 6pm on Wednesday, November 29, 2017 at the Los Islenos Museum Complex.



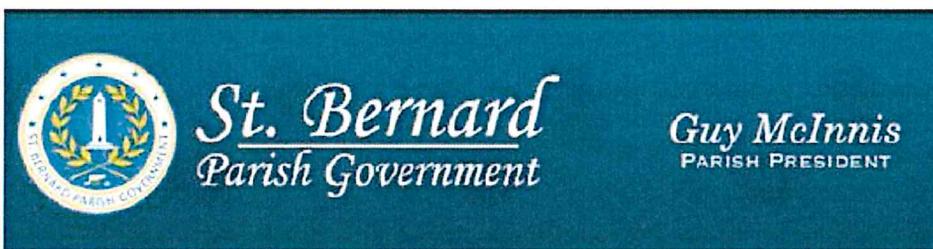
## Press Release

St. Bernard Parish Government Office of Coastal Affairs Seeking public comment on the Restore Act Multiyear Implementation Plan Update



Lenor Duplessis

Wed 11/8/2017 11:00 AM



For Release: November 8, 2017

CONTACT:

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504-278-4331  
[lduplessis@sbpg.net](mailto:lduplessis@sbpg.net)

### **St. Bernard Parish Government Office of Coastal Affairs Seeking public comment on the Restore Act Multiyear Implementation Plan Update**

The St. Bernard Parish Government Office of Coastal Affairs is seeking public comment on its Restore Act Multiyear Implementation Plan. In accordance with the 31 CFR, Section 34.303(a)(8), St. Bernard Parish Government is making its RESTORE Act Multiyear Implementation Plan Update available for public comment from November 17, 2017 through January 2, 2018 (45 days).

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## Public Notice Verification

Fwd: For publication - send invoice to John Lane, Coastal Division

Lenor Duplessis

Wed 11/8/2017 12:35 PM

To: Jerry Graves, Jr. <[jgraves@sbpg.net](mailto:jgraves@sbpg.net)>; John Lane <[jlane@sbpg.net](mailto:jlane@sbpg.net)>

LENOR: I am confirming that I received your email. The notice will run Nov 17, Nov 24, Dec 1, Dec 8, Dec 15, Dec 22 and Dec 29. Thanks.

AMBER: Get with me Thursday morning about this notice. I have the paperwork put together. Need you to add it to your list for Janie. Thanks.

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**Brandi Rollo**  
Graphic Designer

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On Wed, Nov 8, 2017 at 10:10 AM, Lenor Duplessis <[lduplessis@sbpg.net](mailto:lduplessis@sbpg.net)> wrote:

**St. Bernard Parish Government Office of Coastal Affairs  
Seeking public comment on the  
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## Public Notice

### The St. Bernard Notice

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Icon, it was moved to adopt the following ordinance:

#### ORDINANCE SBPC #2015-11-17

**summary No. 3541**  
introduced by: Administration on 10/17/17  
public hearing held on 11/7/17

AN ORDINANCE TO DECLARE THE LOT BEARING MUNICIPAL ADDRESSES 404 E. D'AMOUR, CHALMETTE, LA 70043 AS SURPLUS; TO AUTHORIZE THE SALE OF THE PROPERTY AND TO AUTHORIZE THE PARISH PRESIDENT TO EXECUTE THE SALE, AND ALL NECESSARY DOCUMENTS TO EFFECTUATE THE SALE.

he above and foregoing having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereupon resulted as follows:

EAS: Gorbaty, Alcon, Montelongo, Callais  
AYS: None  
BSENT: McCloskey, Luna

he Council Chair, Mr. Lewis, cast his vote as YEA.

nd the motion was declared adopted on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of ovember, 2017.

**16** On motion of Mr. Montelongo, seconded by Mr. Gorbaty, it was moved to adopt the following ordinance:

#### ORDINANCE SBPC #2016-11-17

**summary No. 3542**  
introduced by: Administration on 10/17/17  
public hearing held on 11/7/17

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE SBPC #1838-12-16, AN ORDINANCE TO ADOPT THE 2017 ST. BERNARD PARISH ANNUAL OPERATING AND CAPITAL BUDGET.

he above and foregoing having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereupon resulted as follows:

EAS: Gorbaty, Alcon, Montelongo, Callais  
AYS: None  
BSENT: McCloskey, Luna

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## PUBLIC NOTICES

### PUBLIC NOTICE

Lauren Campbell Broom Taber and/or anyone knowing the whereabouts of Lauren Campbell Broom Taber, please contact Alfonse Monteferrante, Attorney at Law, P.O. Box 1572, Chalmette, Louisiana 70044; 504.869.1200.

November 17, 2017

### PUBLIC NOTICE

Anyone knowing the whereabouts of Earnestine L. Middleton, please contact Samuel L. Fuller, attorney at law - 2203 Pakenham Drive, Chalmette, LA 70043; (504) 279-5177.

November 17, 2017

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November 17, 24, December 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, 2017



## Matrix



According to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number. The valid OMB control number for this information collection is 1505-0250. Comments concerning the time required to complete this information collection, including the time to review instructions, search existing data resources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information, should be directed to the Department of the Treasury, Office of Gulf Coast Restoration, 1500 Pennsylvania Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20220.

# RESTORE ACT Direct Component Multiyear Plan Narrative

## Department of the Treasury

OMB Approval No. 1505-0250

**Directions: Use this form for the Initial Multiyear Plan and any subsequent amendments to an accepted Multiyear Plan. For amendments, include only new and/or materially modified activities.**

Multiyear Plan Version (Initial or Amendment Number):	Amendment #1
Date of Initial Multiyear Plan Acceptance:	5/30/2017
Date of Last Multiyear Plan Acceptance:	5/30/2017

Eligible Applicant Name:	St. Bernard Parish Government
Name and Contact Information of the Person to be contacted (POC) on matters concerning this Multiyear Implementation Plan:	
POC Name:	John Lane
POC Title:	Executive Director of Coastal Affairs
POC Email:	jlane@sbpg.net
POC Phone:	(504) 278-4200

<b>NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION:</b> 1. A description of each activity, including the need, purpose, objective(s), milestones and location. Include map showing the location of each activity.
<b>Shell Beach Recreational Fishing Complex at the Katrina Memorial (NEW)</b>  Description: The proposed project includes the design and construction of a recreational fishing complex in Shell Beach near the existing Hurricane Katrina memorial. Project elements include a pier; bulkhead; parking lot; and restroom. The facility will be constructed on publicly owned or leased property in eastern St. Bernard Parish and will be operated by SBPG in perpetuity.
<b>Need:</b> Recreational fishing piers are needed in eastern St. Bernard Parish in order to provide a chance for 2. How the applicant made the multiyear plan available for 45 days for public review and comment, in a manner calculated to obtain broad-based participation from individuals, businesses, Indian tribes, and non-profit organizations, such as through public meetings, presentations in languages other than English, and postings on the Internet. The applicant will need to submit documentation (e.g., a copy of public notices) to demonstrate that it made its multiyear plan available to the public for at least 45 days. In addition, describe how each activity in the multiyear plan was approved after consideration of all meaningful input from the public and submit documentation (e.g., a letter from the applicant's leadership approving submission of the multiyear plan to Treasury or a resolution approving the applicant's multiyear plan).

An initial draft of the SBPG RESTORE MIP Update was presented to the St. Bernard Parish CZAC on October 25, 2017 (see Appendix A). Pursuant to the 31 CFR, Part 34, the document was made available for public comment via [www.sbpg.net](http://www.sbpg.net) (electronic version) and in hard copy on November 8, 2017. SBPG issued a press release on November 8, 2017 announcing the availability of the plan and providing instructions for submitting public comments. This information was also shared via social media.

SBPG published a public notice in the parish's official journal from November 17, 2017 through December 29, 2017 (five weekly notices), announcing the public comment period and providing instructions for submitting comments in writing and in-person (see Appendix A). This information was also shared via social media. There were no public comments. The RESTORE MIP Update was

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3. How each activity included in the applicant's multiyear plan narrative meets all the requirements under the RESTORE Act, including a description of how each activity is eligible for funding based on the geographic location of each activity and how each activity qualifies for at least one of the eligible activities under the RESTORE Act.

#### Shell Beach Recreational Fishing Complex at the Katrina Memorial (NEW)

Infrastructure project benefiting the economy or ecological resources  
Promotion of tourism in the Gulf Coast region, including recreational fishing

SBPG believes the improvements will be invaluable tools for the promotion of ecotourism and the consumption of Gulf seafood in eastern St. Bernard Parish.

#### Hopedale Recreational Fishing Complex (MODIFIED)

4. Criteria the applicant will use to measure the success of the activities included in the multiyear plan narrative in helping to restore and protect the Gulf Coast Region impacted by the Deepwater Horizon oil spill.

#### Shell Beach Recreational Fishing Complex at the Katrina Memorial (NEW)

Performance Measures: Facility utilization and economic impact will be used to gauge project performance.

#### Hopedale Recreational Fishing Complex and Public Seafood Market (MODIFIED)

Performance Measures: Facility utilization and economic impact will be used to gauge project performance.

5. How the activities included in the multiyear plan narrative were prioritized and list the criteria used to establish the priorities.

There are several recent state and local coastal restoration planning documents that SBPG was able to take into consideration as the organization crafted its RESTORE MIP.

#### Louisiana's Comprehensive Master Plan for a Sustainable Coast (2012 and 2017)

The Louisiana Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority (CPRA) is a State agency that was established as the single authority for coastal restoration in Louisiana. The CPRA has initiated a comprehensive planning and implementation strategy for protecting the environment and economy in the state's coastal region, as documented in Louisiana's Comprehensive Master Plan for a Sustainable Coast (2012 and 2017 State Master Plans). Three of the stated objectives outlined in the 2012 and 2017 State Master Plans are to sustain cultural heritage, promote a working coast, and provide coastal

6. If applicable, describe the amount and current status of funding from other sources (e.g., other RESTORE Act contribution, other third party contribution) and provide a description of the specific portion of the project to be funded by the RESTORE Act Direct Component.

Lake Lery Marsh Creation (Phase 2): \$300,000 (Direct Component) will be requested for the purpose of funding 10% of the total construction cost. SBPG has secured the remaining 90% of construction funding from the State of Louisiana (RESTORE Act Parish Matching Program) and is awaiting official award.