

RESTORE ACT Direct Component Multiyear Plan Narrative

OMB Approval No. 1505-0250

Eligible Applicant Name: Cameron Parish Police Jury

Name and Contact Information of the Person to be contacted (POC) on matters concerning this Multiyear Implementation Plan:

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B. PROVIDE A BRIEF NARRATIVE THAT DEMONSTRATES:

1. The need, purpose, and objectives for each activity, including a detailed description of each activity.

A.) Access to Monkey Island:

The historic path of the Calcasieu River and the subsequent dredging of the Calcasieu Ship Channel forged an island in southern Cameron Parish known as Monkey Island. The Island has deep water access and currently is not developed. The potential for economic success on the Island is significant, however there is no access to the Island. In fact a \$9 billion investment in an LNG exporting facility has already been planned for a 300 acre site on the island, not to mention the access this would provide to individual residents who own property on the island as well as the West Cameron Port Board. Previously, a ferry serviced residents who lived on the Island, but that service ceased following Hurricane Rita. This project would be coupled with a previously completed Stage 0 Feasibility Study which identified the most feasible alternative for permanent access to the island. This funds generated through Restore Act would be allocated to constructing the most viable option to access the Island which will be a bridge. The RESTORE Direct Component funds received will all go towards actual construction of the bridge. The bridge will be constructed on an existing public right of way that previously housed the Monkey Island Ferry and will be a public infrastructure just as the ferry was. As stated above, we have already completed the Stage 0 Feasibility Study and we will be conducting an Environmental Review and Navigation Study to be paid for by Cameron Parish Police Jury and engineering and design would be funded by CDBG.

B.) Rockefeller Gulf Shoreline Stabilization Project

The project is designed to address Rockefeller Wildlife Refuge gulf shoreline retreat that averages approximately 70 feet/year with a subsequent direct loss of emergent saline marsh. This project will help mitigate erosion at the Refuge, the State of Louisiana's Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority (CPRA) teamed with the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) to implement the Rockefeller Refuge Gulf Shoreline Stabilization Project through the Coastal Wetlands Planning, Protection and Restoration Act (CWPPRA). The overall stabilization project is intended to protect the 9.2-mile portion of the Refuge west of Joseph Harbor Bayou. The project entails construction of shoreline protection along the Gulf of Mexico. The proposed structure would be tied into the west bank of Joseph Harbor a rock breakwater with lightweight aggregate core, westward for approximately 3 miles. It would be designed to reduce shoreline retreat along this stretch of gulf shoreline, as well as promote shallowing, settling out, and natural vegetative colonization of the overwash material landward of the proposed structure. Gaps within the shoreline protection feature are also proposed to facilitate material and organism linkages. The RESTORE Direct Component funds received will be utilized in the Construction Phase of this project.

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 plan was adopted after consideration of all meaningful input from the public.

Dates of advertisement: 06/11/2015, 08/04/2015, 09/01/2015

First Public Comment Period: 06/12/2015-07/27/2015

Second Public Comment Period: 08/28/2015-10/11/2015

In regards to the the availability to view the plan, an advertisement was published in the Cameron Parish Pilot newspaper which is the official journal of record for the Police Jury. There were hard copies available for the public to view available at our office (148 Smith Circle, Cameron, LA 70631). Also, the Police Jury provided a link to the document on the Parish's website (<http://www.parihofcameron.net/news-resources>). The document was updated and re-posted to the website on 8/28/2015 for an additional 45 days which was announced during the Police Jury Agenda Meetings on August 4th and September 1st of 2015. The Multiyear Implementation and Expenditure Plan was published and made available for public review and comment for a minimum of forty five (45) days. Once the plan was reviewed and no comments were received, the Police Jury formally submitted the Multiyear Plan on July 28, 2015 for review. Following review of the Multi-Year Plan, the Parish completed the necessary adjustments and corrections to submit the finalized document. Cameron Parish Administrator, Ryan Bourriaque, approved formal submission of the Multiyear Plan to the

Department of Treasury on November 10, 2015 for the Direct Component Funds under the RESTORE Act.

3. How each activity included in the applicant's multiyear plan matrix is eligible for funding and meets all requirements under the RESTORE Act.

The Access to Monkey Island project is an infrastructure project that will directly facilitate significant economic development in a distressed area. The oil and gas industry has suffered recently in Cameron Parish. The projects to be developed by this investment in infrastructure will be greatly beneficial to the Parish in restoring its economy to previous standards.

The Rockefeller Gulf Shoreline Stabilization Project is a coastal restoration project that will serve as shoreline will assist in protecting an area experiencing alarming erosion rates. The project meets several of the criteria established under restore including Restore, Enhance, and Protect Habitats, Restore, Improve, and Protect Water Resources, and Restore and Enhance Natural Processes and Shorelines.

4. How the applicant will evaluate success of the activities included in the matrix.

A.) The Cameron Parish Police Jury will monitor development to the area that will be granted access through the construction funds allocated through this grant. Currently, no development is allowed to take place due to the fact that there is no vehicular access to the Island. This infrastructure investment will allow the development of the island to finally commence. Our goal is to once again provide vehicular access to Monkey Island for both leisure and business purposes.

B.) The Cameron Parish Police Jury will work with Rockefeller State Wildlife Refuge to monitor the area in which the shoreline stabilization project is proposed to be located. Significant reporting and monitoring have been accumulated in the area to this date as demonstration projects were constructed in the area in 2010. The selected construction method was determined by the successes of the demonstration projects. The Parish will evaluate the success of the project by coordinating with State and Federal Agencies to annually conduct surveys to determine accretion of sediment and movement of the shoreline towards the structure as opposed to eroding at elevated rates.

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

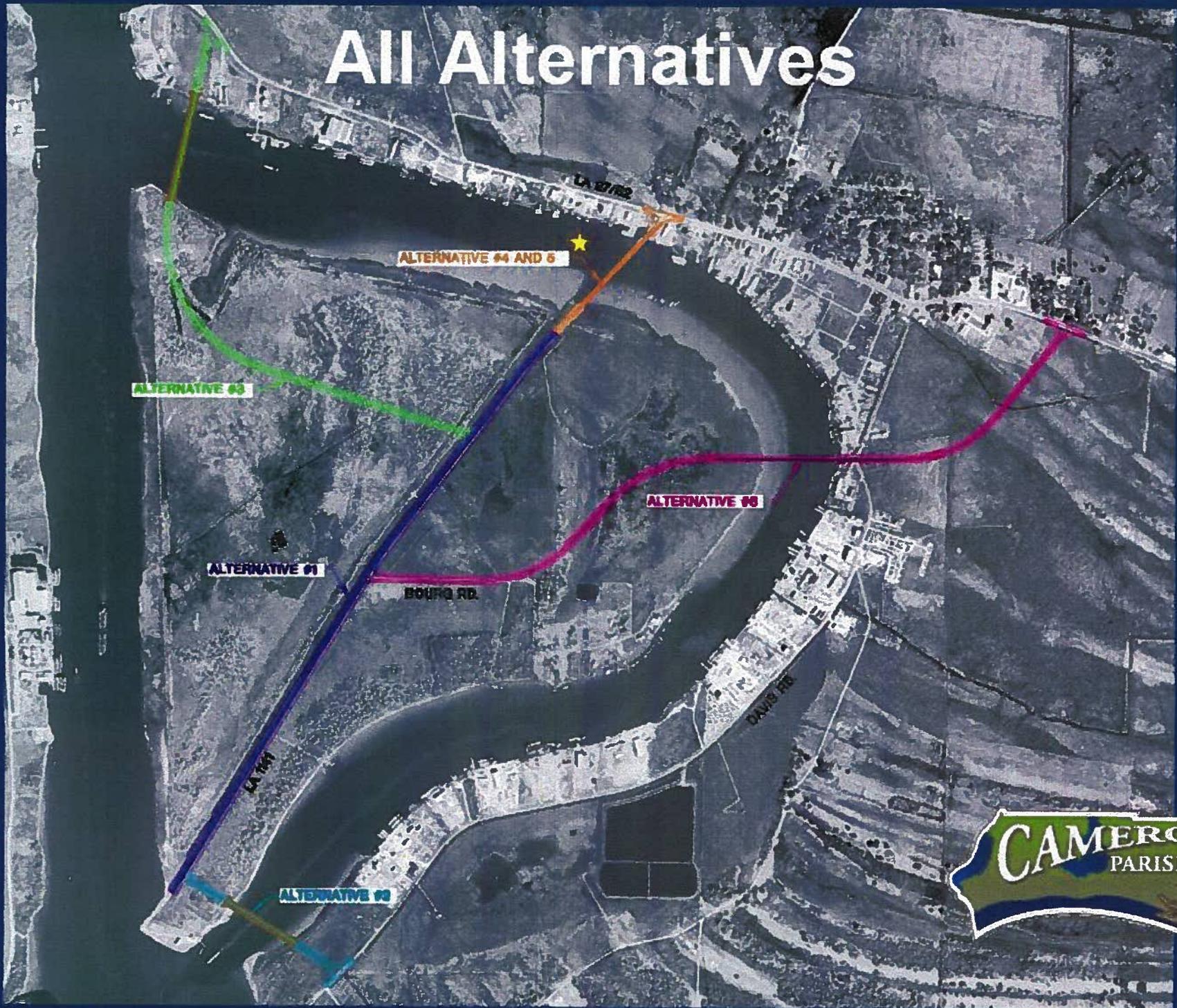
Cameron Parish selected projects that were in need of supplemental funds for construction costs. These projects had matching funds available outside of these proposed allocations. West Cameron Port Strategic Plan developed the "Access to Monkey Island" project and the Rockefeller project was included in the 2012 State Master Plan, Cameron Parish Master Plan for Coastal Restoration & Protection, and the TSP for the Southwest Coastal Study.

6. The relationship, if any, between the activities the applicant included in the multiyear plan matrix and other activities funded under the RESTORE Act.

N/A

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, RESTORE Act Program, 1500 Pennsylvania Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20220.

All Alternatives



Rockefeller Refuge Gulf Shoreline Stabilization (ME-18)

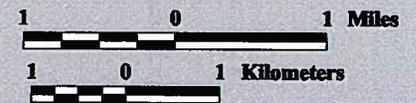


Shoreline Protection



Project Boundary

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Coastal Restoration Field Station

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2002 Thematic Mapper Imagery

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