

Manchac Steering/Coordination SCC meeting 3/16/15, Lake Pontchartrain Basin Foundation office, New Orleans

Attendees:

Frank Neelis, Dwight Williams, Ben Taylor, David Hargraves, Za Maurin

Consensus was to go forward to establish following committees:

Community Organization; Economic/Legal; infrastructure; Funding/Financial

Community Organization; leads Ben and Za

Scope:

- Develop public awareness program

- Resolutions from public bodies/elected officials and civic entities

- Media packages as needed

- Presentations to various civic and other interests (Frank will assist)

- Contact with business interests on corridor

- Outreach to user groups (tourism, biking, running, fishing, birders, wildlife, canoe/kayak, horticulture and solicit input.(Dwight will assist)

- Develop format for meetings (Frank will assist)

- Develop plans for comprehensive planning meeting (All will assist)

Economic Impact/Legal Committee;: Lead Frank

Scope:

- Develop outline, researching and publish economic impact report(s)

- Consult with legal council on a at needs basis

- Design and conduct surveys as needed

- Develop historic data base, i.e. publications, art, personal stories. (All can contribute)

Infrastructure Committee; Lead David (Za will assist with security issues)

Scope:

- Identify infrastructure issues

- Contact entities who have access to planning, mapping, ownership, utilities, La. DoTD, La. WLF and others as needed

- Compile necessary permits, contracts, public works scheduling projects that will be required to implement (Frank will assist in Tangi, Za will assist in SJtB)

- Frank will develop vegetation management program

Funding/Financial Committee: Lead Dwight

Scope:

- Develop list of public/private grants/awards that may be relevant

- Develop funding events

- List potential private donors

- Design a package to solicit funds from general public (Ben and Za will assist)

- Establish mechanism(s) to handle reception of funds

- Bookkeeping process

The S/C Committee will met on a two week schedule or sooner if necessary. The leads of the committees will share with each other relevant information at any time. All contacts per committee will be shared when added

Anyone can offer to serve on any committee(s) by contacting the Committee lead(s)

Suggestions for formulation of other committees are welcome

Anyone desiring to serve on S/C Committee can apply.. It is desirable to keep a balance on S/C by having equal representation from the two Parishes. The existing S/C committee members will approve.

Potential needs: Overall management of record keeping, IT assistance, updating contacts, take and send out minutes of various meetings as required.

Bottomline, this is a doable project, but we need a lot of help either by participation on committees or donations.