Brandt Lafrance  
305 Marc’s Lane  
Braithwaite, LA 70040

Dear Mr. Lafrance,  

Below is a copy of an email I sent to the Oyster Task Force in late January. I will be speaking at the OTF meeting Feb/26 to explain the proposal and to ask that the OTF take my DRAFT, modify it as desired, and send it to the CPRA before the deadline for submission of new project proposals for the 2023 Coastal Master Plan. I am writing to request your support for this proposal to the CPRA.

Copied of email:  

Dear Oyster Industry Interests,  

CPRA has announced a call for new project proposal to be submitted by March 1, 2019. I would like to submit a proposal; but, I know the proposal would carry more weight if it came from the Oyster Task Force (OTF) with the endorsements of St. Bernard and Plaquemines Parishes, and the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries.

I am proposing this DRAFT and am requesting your inputs on it. For example, the OTF will have the best suggestions on the locations where the terraces would be built. CPRA representative, Brian Lezina, should have major input on the technical aspects. [The Parish Coastal management Departments] will have critical suggestions from the point of view of the Parishes. Once the proposal is in final form, I ask that the Oyster Task Force submit it to the CPRA.

The DRAFT Proposal to the CPRA is attached. Also attached is a copy of a paper I published at the Seafood Convention.

Sincerely,  

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