

Oyster Task Force Coastal Restoration Committee Meeting Notes
Tuesday, May 22, 2018, 9:00am
2021 Lakeshore Dr., STE 210
New Orleans, LA 70122

Roll Call:

Dan Coulon
Brandt Lafrance
Willie Daisy
Byron Encalade
Jakov Jurisic
Brian Lezina
Mark Schexnayder
Jack Isaacs

John Tesvich led discussion on the draft 'Planning for Management of State Oyster Leasing and Public Seed Grounds Affected by Coastal Projects and Natural Hydrological Changes'

The committee discussed addressing issues per basin:

- East side of the MS River: Brandt Lafrance/ Byron Encalade
- Barataria- Dan Coulon
- West side of the MS River- John Tesvich
- Lake Borgne- Jakov Jurisic and Brad Robin

Projects on the forefront:

1. Mid Barataria Diversion
2. Mid Breton Diversion (also called medium diversion at White Ditch)

Committee expressed concern with news releases regarding projects coming online getting to outlets in affected areas, requested that all related news be forwarded to news outlets in the following areas:

1. Plaquemines
2. Jefferson
3. St. Bernard
4. Terrebonne

Committee Recommendations:

1. To first consider relocation areas for existing leases in impact zones; *what budget will relocation require?*
2. Accepted the proposed maps as presented, omitting the northern portion of the Lake Borgne area, 2nd by Brandt Lafrance (reference [Figure 1](#) below)
3. Sectioning re-location areas in blocks (i.e. 50-100 acre blocks)

4. Request for LDWF and CPRA to provide the committee with any available data regarding Side Scan Sonar of leases in the proposed impact zones as well as those in proposed relocation areas; *For areas needing data collection: who can complete the work, what are the costs associated, are there other methods used to assess leases' water bottom quality and shell stock?*
5. Request for LDWF to delineate leases (total number of leases and acreage) in the following areas:
 - A. Lake Borgne
 - B. Mid-Barataria from Bayou Lafourche to Four Bayou / Freeport Sulphur Canal (Zone 1)
 - C. Mid-Breton east of the MS River to Bayou Terre Aux Bouef
6. Request for LDWF to indicate leasable areas in Timbalier Bay and Terrebonne Bay
7. Legal Requests:
 - A. Asked for feedback on designating areas for relocation that would not be used for new leasing until after relocation program
 - B. Does enacting a relocation program require legislation or can it be done through rule making (Davis Pond Relocation Program?)
8. CPRA to provide a range of conditions and salinity projects (CPRA stated that feedback should be available in a two-month time frame)

RECOMMENDATION 2: REFERENCE MAP

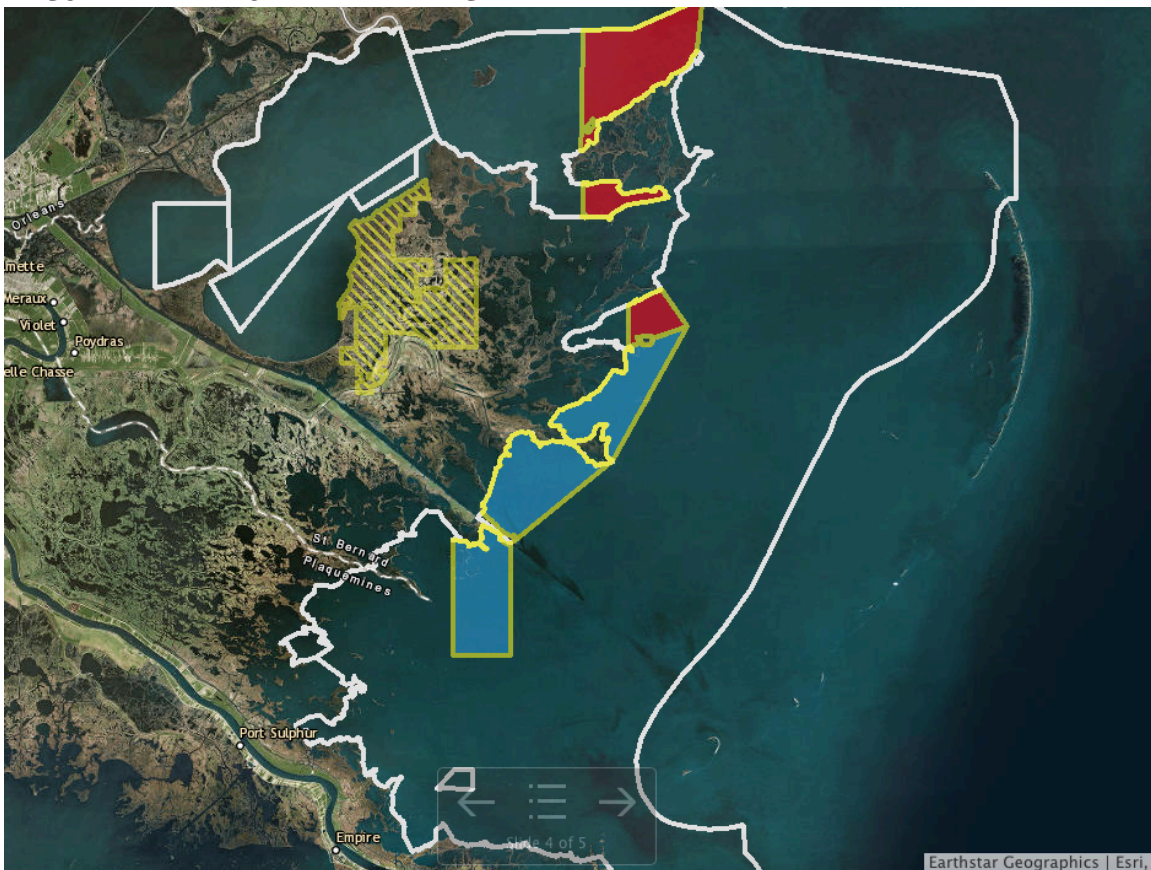


Figure 2

Next meeting date and time: TBD (scheduled concurrently with the next OTF meeting)

Meeting adjourned