



## **Coalition to Restore Coastal Louisiana**

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(Baton Rouge August 24, 2004) The Coalition to Restore Coastal Louisiana released formal comments on Tuesday directed at the Army Corps of Engineers' latest plan to restore coastal Louisiana. The need to do more topped the list of recommendations submitted by the Coalition. "We are disappointed that this plan and the process that led to it, appears to be quite distant from many of the most important aspects of the Coast 2050 plan."

The latest version of the LCA restoration plan falls short of the comprehensive solution envisioned by earlier versions of the plan. While the current plan can be considered a step in the right direction, it fails to demonstrate the large scale commitment that many Louisiana citizens were hoping to see.

Mark Davis, executive director for the Coalition, believes that while the resulting plan lacks a comprehensive solution to Louisiana's coastal land loss crisis, much can be learned from the process through which the plan was developed. "It is important to understand this plan is not important just for what it contains, but also for those

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opportunities it doesn't include. This plan is a step in the right direction, but without a greater commitment to a comprehensive restoration effort, our capacity to restore sustainability to Louisiana's coast is greatly diminished."

The Coalition to Restore Coastal Louisiana is a non-profit advocacy organization whose mission is the preservation restoration and responsible stewardship of the coastal wetlands, waters and barrier shorelines of coastal Louisiana. A complete copy of the Coalition's comments can be obtained at:

[http://www.crcl.org/LCA\\_Comments2004.htm](http://www.crcl.org/LCA_Comments2004.htm)

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