

# Exhibit FF. South Lafourche Airport North Site USACE Wetland Mitigation Documentation





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May 11, 2006

Mr. Michael R. Patrick  
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
New Orleans District  
P.O. Box 60267  
New Orleans, LA 70160-0267

## South Lafourche Airport North Site USACE Wetland Mitigation Documentation

Re: Leonard Miller, Jr. South Lafourche Airport  
Airport Development  
Galliano, LA

Dear Mr. Patrick,

In reference to the above permit and your email to Mr. Davie Breaux of the Greater Lafourche Port Commission dated May 1, 2006 please find enclosed Total Plan for Development of the Airport Property. Additionally, please find enclosed letter from Ron Ventola to Windell Curole of the South Lafourche Levee District acknowledging that all wetlands within the Larose to Golden Meadow Hurricane Protection System have been mitigated for.

If you have any questions, please advise.

Sincerely,

Joseph C. Picciola, II, P.E., P.L.S.  
Project Engineer

Enclosure

Cc: Davie Breaux      Greater Lafourche Port Commission



**SOUTH LAFOURCHE LEVEE DISTRICT**

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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GALLIANO, LOUISIANA 70354

(504) 832-7554



April 27, 2000

DR DAVID VIGH  
CEMVN-PM-RP  
U. S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS  
P O BOX 60267  
NEW ORLEANS, LA 70267

Dear Dr. Vigh:

The U. S. Army Corps of Engineers Larose to Golden Meadow Hurricane Protection Project has been mitigated. We request a letter describing the general conditions associated with someone desiring to develop a piece of property inside of the system.

I have enclosed a letter which describes the permitting experience of our Coastal Zone Management program Director with projects inside the system. Your assistance will help us to describe the obligation a developer may encounter.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Windell A. Curole".

Windell A. Curole  
General Manager

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

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REPLY TO  
ATTENTION OF:

MAY 11 2000

Operations Division  
Eastern Evaluation SectionSUBJECT: Regulatory Authority Within the Larose to Golden Meadow  
Hurricane Protection LeveeLafourche Parish Council  
Post Office Drawer 5548  
Thibodaux, Louisiana 70302

Gentlemen:

This is in regard to your letter, dated April 27, 2000, to Dr. David Vigh concerning the Corps of Engineers' regulatory authority within the Larose to Golden Meadow Hurricane Protection levee.

Individuals, companies or agencies are required to obtain a permit from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers prior to beginning any work that discharges fill material into waters of the United States or that may impact navigational interests. The wetlands and waterways within the Larose to Golden Meadow Hurricane Protection Levee remain within the jurisdiction of the Corps of Engineers and permits are required for the deposition of fill material and structures in wetlands and waterways. Permitting requirements are the same whether within or outside the hurricane protection system. The only difference is that once we determine that a permit can be issued for an individual action, we will not require compensatory mitigation for impacts to wetland functions. The Corps of Engineers mitigated for the direct impacts to wetlands caused through implementation of the hurricane protection levee and the associated secondary development of wetlands within the system. Since the loss of wetland functions has been mitigated, we will not require that they be mitigated a second time.

If you have any questions, please contact Dr. James Barlow of this office at (504) 862-2250.

Sincerely,

Ronald J. Ventola  
Chief, Regulatory Branch

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Gerald J. "Buzz" Breaux, Parish President

*"Working Together, Progress Will Prevail"*

June 13, 2000

Windell Curole  
South Lafourche Levee District  
PO Box 426  
Galliano, LA 70354

Dear Windell:

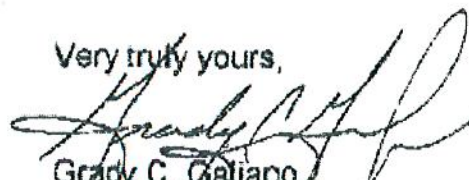
I am writing this letter in my capacity as the Lafourche Parish Coastal Zone Management Administrator.

Since the early 1980's it has been the policy of Lafourche Parish Coastal Zone Management, in cooperation with federal and state regulatory agencies, to encourage development within the ring levee system. The federal and state regulatory agencies have viewed the land within the ring levee system as fastland and have allowed its development.

The bulk of the commercial and residential development within the ring levee system has occurred without any application for permitting with respect to wetland status. I am not aware of any enforcement action relating to wetland status which has been brought against any such development within the ring levee system. In those cases where developers have chosen to apply for a wetland development permit, such permits have routinely been granted without any requirement of mitigation.

Given this history, I do not believe that a wetland development permit is required for development of the land within the South Lafourche ring levee system. Additionally, if you or a subsequent owner chooses to apply for such a permit, I would expect it to be granted without any mitigation requirement.

Very truly yours,



Grady C. Galliano  
CZM Administrator

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