Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority – West (SLFPA-W) Technical, Operations, and Maintenance Committee Meeting Tuesday, December 9, 2014

The Technical, Operations, and Maintenance (TOM) Committee of the SLFPA – W met on Tuesday, December 9, 2014 with the following members present: Mr. Wilkinson, chairman, Mr. Gaddy, and Mr. Julien (arrived at approximately 2:35 PM). Also in attendance were: Mr. Bosch, Mr. Monzon, Ms. Noll, Mr. Roark, Mr. Lestelle, public information, Mr. Pickering, legal counsel, and Mr. Connell, United States Army Corps of Engineers (USACE). Mr. Avant, legal counsel, participated by phone.

Mr. Wilkinson called the meeting to order in the Commissioners' meeting room at the SLFPA – W Office, 7001 River Road, Marrero, Louisiana, at approximately 2:30 PM.

The Committee unanimously approved the agenda as presented.

There were no public comments.

The Committee reviewed and unanimously approved the minutes from the previous meeting, dated November 12, 2014.

Mr. Pickering presented an informational update regarding the special ad valorem tax issue followed by discussion. Mr. Avant and Mr. Monzon shared a memorandum issued by USACE Headquarters that contains guidance and interpretation regarding the Water Resources Reform and Development Act of 2014. Mr. Pickering will update the Committee at next month's meeting. Mr. Julien arrived during this presentation at approximately 2:35 PM.

Mr. Monzon provided an update on armoring status and issues. The Committee will be updated again at next month's meeting.

Mr. Monzon and Mr. Avant provided an update regarding the Western Closure Complex (WCC) and the interim Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA). The Committee requested that Mr. Monzon work with Mr. Avant on a letter agreement with Pump Station Operations, LLC. The Committee will be updated again at next month's meeting.

Mr. Monzon provided a status update regarding the feral hogs on the levee. He will update the Committee at next month's meeting.

Mr. Monzon presented the updated Authorization for Expense (AFE) form. The Committee will be updated again at next month's meeting.

Mr. Monzon provided an update on the Request for Proposals (RFP) Questionnaire for engineering plans and specs. The Committee will be updated at next month's meeting.

Mr. Monzon presented an update on the real estate and program management services. He will update the Committee again at next month's meeting.

The Committee took a brief break for approximately 5 minutes and then reconvened.

Mr. Bosch and Mr. Monzon presented the 2014 – 2015 budget for SLFPA-W and its member districts. The Committee requested staff to make some revisions and report back at next month's meeting.

Mr. Monzon provided a report of his activities for the month of December and informed the Committee on pending issues.

Mr. Wilkinson announced that the next regularly scheduled Committee meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 13, 2015, at 2:30 PM in the Commissioners' meeting room at the SLFPA-W Office, 7001 River Road, Marrero, Louisiana.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at approximately 4:11 PM.