

Draft (from 8-11-09 LUTC meeting)

To: The Flood Control Zone Advisory Committee

From: Land Use Technical Committee
Margaret Fleek, Chair

Date: 8/18/2009

The Land Use Technical Committee respectfully requests that the Advisory Committee (AC) consider the following motion at the 8/17/09 AC meeting:

Motion

The LUTC believes that the following measures warrant continued consideration and evaluation as future flood reduction/ecosystem restoration projects in the CFHMP:

1. The LUTC endorses the eight measures proposed by the Dike and Drainage Technical Committee and approved by the AC on 7/20/09.
2. The LUTC endorses, with clarification, the two measures being proposed by the Environmental Committee in the draft measures document developed at the 7/27/09 ETC meeting.
 - It is the understanding of the LUTC that the ETC, in its proposal for “setback levees with restoration”, is not at this time advocating any particular levee setback measure. Rather the ETC is requesting that should setback measures #7, #8, #10, #13, and #24 move forward into the CFHMP that they incorporate the ETC requested restoration features. If so, the LUTC would endorse the proposal.
 - The Fir Island Bypass measure clearly could provide significant ecological benefits. It also needs to demonstrate benefit/cost justification from a flood risk reduction perspective. Assuming it can, the LUTC would endorse this proposal as well.
3. All storage measures, including: #1 Upper Baker, #2 Lower Baker, #3 Ross, #4 Nookachamps, and #5 Hart's Slough should be in the draft CFHMP short list. Storage continues to have the potential to be the most cost effective method of flood risk reduction. Storage should not be discounted due to design uncertainties, at least not at this time.