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**St. Charles Parish Coastal Zone Advisory Committee**

A resolution adopting the *St. Charles SHIELD Plan: Stabilizing Habitats through Infrastructure, Ecology, and Land Defense*

- WHEREAS,** St. Charles Parish entered into contract with Royal Engineers & Consultants, LLC (the consultant) on June 21, 2024 pursuant to Ordinance 24-6-13; and,
- WHEREAS,** the consultant interviewed stakeholders regarding potential coastal restoration projects; and,
- WHEREAS,** on February 4<sup>th</sup>, 2025, the consultant presented the following seven (7) projects to the public for prioritization: Lake Salvador Shoreline Protection, Couba Island Shoreline Protection, Bayou Couba Shoreline Protection, Tank Pond Shoreline Protection, Rock Jetty Extension at Bayou Des Allemands, Lake Salvador Interior Marsh Hydrological Restoration, and Labranche Area Marsh Creation to the public; and,
- WHEREAS,** the consultant reviewed public comment and delivered a draft plan entitled the *St. Charles Parish SHIELD Plan: Stabilizing Habitats through Infrastructure, Ecology, and Land Defense* that included additional programmatic concepts for Education, Access & Recreational Use, Invasive Species Management, Native Vegetation Planting, Abandoned Vessel Removal, Mitigation Banks, and Land Conservation; and,
- WHEREAS,** the consultant presented the draft plan to the Planning and Zoning Commission, who, acting as interim Coastal Zone Advisory Committee, opened a public comment period for the draft plan on July 10, 2025; and,
- WHEREAS,** August 18, 2025, the consultant delivered a revised draft plan in accordance with public comments; and,
- WHEREAS,** the Coastal Zone Advisory Committee wishes to adopt the SHIELD plan as a strategic plan for coastal restoration,

**NOW, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE ST. CHARLES PARISH COASTAL ZONE ADVISORY COMMITTEE** hereby adopts the *St. Charles SHIELD Plan: Stabilizing Habitats through Infrastructure, Ecology, and Land Defense*.

The resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

For: Courtney Babin, Mark Kulp, Ryan Lambert, Benny Guillot, Lloyd Landry, Luis Martinez, John Rome

Against:

The resolution was declared adopted this day November 21<sup>st</sup>, 2025.

  
St. Charles Parish Coastal Zone Advisory Committee Chair