



U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
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Mr. Keith Lovell
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Dear Mr. Lovell:

Thank you for the Louisiana Department of Natural Resources's October 3, 2016 request that the St. Charles Parish Local Coastal Program be incorporated into the Louisiana Coastal Resources Program. You requested that the addition of the St. Charles Parish Local Coastal Program be incorporated as a routine program change (RPC), pursuant to Coastal Zone Management Act (CZMA) regulations at 15 C.F.R. part 923, subpart H, and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's (NOAA's) Office for Coastal Management's *Program Change Guidance (July 1996)*.

Based on our review of your submission, we concur that the addition of the St. Charles Parish Local Coastal Program is a routine program change, and approve the incorporation of the changes to the Louisiana Coastal Resources Program. Pursuant to the requirements of 15 C.F.R. § 923.84(b)(4) and the Office for Coastal Management's *Addendum to the July 1996 Program Change Guidance (November 2013)*, public notice must be made of the approval of this change to the Louisiana Coastal Resources Management Program. Please include the within the public notice a qualification that neither the St. Charles Local Coastal Program nor its policies are applicable for CZMA Federal Consistency review purposes. Please send a copy of the notice to the Office for Coastal Management for our records.

CHANGES APPROVED

Name/Description of State or Local Law/Regulation/Policy/Program Authority	State/Local Legal Citation	Date Adopted by State	Date Effective in State
ADDED:		mm/dd/yyyy	mm/dd/yyyy
St. Charles Parish Local Coastal Management Program*	Pursuant to the Louisiana State and Local Coastal Resources Management Act of 1978, (Act 361, La. R.S. 49:214.21 <i>et seq.</i>)	09/26/2016	09/26/2016
Changes marked with an asterisk (*) are incorporated into the Louisiana Coastal Management Program but do not contain enforceable policies that can be used for CZMA Federal Consistency review purposes.			

QUALIFICATION

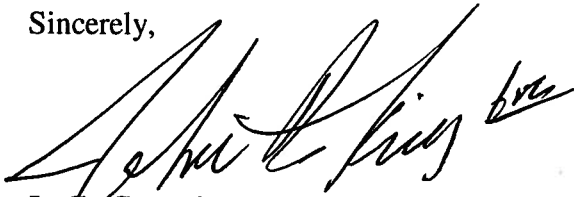
Notwithstanding any statements to the contrary in the St. Charles Parish Local Coastal Program Document (see *e.g.*, p. 7-19), the authorities and policies contained in the local program may not be used for CZMA Federal Consistency review purposes.

PUBLIC AND FEDERAL AGENCY COMMENTS

The Office for Coastal Management received no comments on this RPC submission.

Please contact Kristin Ransom at (228) 688-1966 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Joelle Gore', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Joelle Gore, Chief
Stewardship Division