

Louisiana Coastal Area Study

Louisiana Coastal Area (LCA): Near-Term Ecosystem Restoration Plan

2004 Schedule Milestones

If Congress enacts Water Resources Development Act (WRDA) this year.....Bill Would Require Chief of Engineers Report by December 2004 (for Contingent Authorization)

- ✓ **8 April : Notice of Intent to prepare a DPEIS (published in Federal Register (Vol. 69, No. 68 - pgs 18552 – 18554)**
- ✓ **19-23 April: Scoping Meetings for DPEIS**
- ✓ **26 April – 4 June: Prepare Preliminary Draft Report and DPEIS**
- ✓ **4-25 June: Internal review of Report and DPEIS**
- ✓ **2 July: Submit draft report / DPEIS to EPA**
- ✓ **9 July to 23 August: 45-day DPEIS Public Review and Comment period**
- ✓ **24 August to 17 October: Respond to comments on draft report; prepare final report / Final PEIS**

- ✓ **22 Oct – 22 Nov: Corps' Internal Review of Main Report and FPEIS**
- ✓ **5 Nov: Notice of Availability of LCA Main Report and FPEIS in Federal Register**
- ✓ **5 Nov – 6 Dec: 30-day state, agency and public review and comment period**
- ✓ **7 Dec – 14 Dec: Respond to state, agency and public comments**
- ✓ **15 Dec: Final MRC Report Signed**
- ✓ **31 Jan 05: Signed Chief of Engineers Report transmitted to Assistant Secretary of the Army (Civil Works)**