# STATE PROJECTS AND PROGRAMS



# Livingston Parish Drainage Improvements

#### **PROGRAM DESCRIPTION**

In 2020, the Louisiana Watershed Initiative's five coordinating state agencies selected 15 projects to receive \$163 million in federal funding. The projects were selected because they align with the missions of these agencies and the long-term resilience objectives of LWI. Specifically, the projects will reduce flood risk in communities throughout the state, store floodwaters in ways that enhance natural habitats and move people in flood-prone areas out of harm's way. As the granting agency of these funds, the Louisiana Office of Community Development reviewed the projects to ensure they meet HUD requirements and align with the state's \$1.2 billion CDBG-MIT Action Plan.

## **PROJECT DESCRIPTION**

The hydrological functionality of Livingston Parish waterways plays a major role in area drainage. Headwater flooding and backwater overflow in local rivers and creeks pose flood hazards to more than 36,000 parish households. The Livingston Parish Drainage Improvements project involves lateral drainage work, reshaping eroded banks, repairing levees and other structures and removing debris from about 145 miles of targeted waterways for the purpose of decreasing flood inundation periods and reducing area flood risk.

## **COST ESTIMATE**

\$15 million



#### **PROJECT DURATION**

**PROJECT LOCATION** 

**Livingston Parish** 



# PLAN CONSISTENCY

#### LOUISIANA CDBG-MIT MASTER ACTION PLAN (2020)

The project is consistent with the Louisiana CDBG-MIT Master Action Plan's focus on implementing "state-identified regional retention/detention, natural flood management and infrastructure projects." OCD identifies flood control projects as unmet mitigation needs.

#### LOUISIANA'S COMPREHENSIVE MASTER PLAN FOR A SUSTAINABLE COAST (2017)

The Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority incorporated the Flood Risk and Resilience Program into the agency's State Coastal Master Plan. The proposed project is consistent with CPRA's goal of implementing high-performing risk reduction projects in coastal parishes.

## **SCALE OF INFLUENCE**



Monroe

(HUD-Identified Most Impacted and Distressed Area)

# **PROVISIONAL WATERSHED REGION** AND PROJECT LOCATION

The project is located in Provisional Watershed Region 7, which includes 13 parishes in eastern Louisiana situated among the Mississippi River, Lake



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