
DIGEST

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HB No. 811

Abstract: Creates the Comite River Diversion Canal Project Task Force.

Proposed law creates the Comite River Diversion Canal Project Task Force charged with making recommendations on actions necessary to complete the construction and maintenance of the Comite River diversion canal project, including strategies to comply with mitigation requirements and right of way acquisitions.

Proposed law provides that the task force members shall serve without compensation, except they may receive expenses as members of their constituent organizations. The membership shall be composed of the following:

- (1) One member shall be the member of the House of Representatives representing the district in which the Comite River diversion canal project is located and who shall be the chairman of the task force.
- (2) One member shall be the member of the Senate representing the district in which the Comite River diversion canal project is located and who shall be the vice-chairman of the task force.
- (3) One member shall be appointed by the members of the Louisiana congressional delegation representing the district in which the Comite River diversion canal project is located.
- (4) One member shall be the district engineer of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New Orleans District, or his designee.
- (5) One member shall be appointed by the secretary of the Department of Transportation and Development, or his designee.
- (6) One member shall be the executive director of the Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority, or his designee.
- (7) One member shall be a former member of the board of commissioners of the district appointed by the chairman of the task force.
- (8) One member shall be a current member of the board of commissioners of the district

appointed by the chairman of the task force.

- (9) One member shall be the director of public works of East Baton Rouge Parish, or his designee.
- (10) One member shall be the president of the Louisiana Homebuilder's Association, or his designee.

Proposed law provides that the task force shall meet at the call of the chairman and that task force shall be subject to the present law regarding open meetings and public records.

(Adds R.S. 38:3306.1)