# Future of the Hurricane Protection System

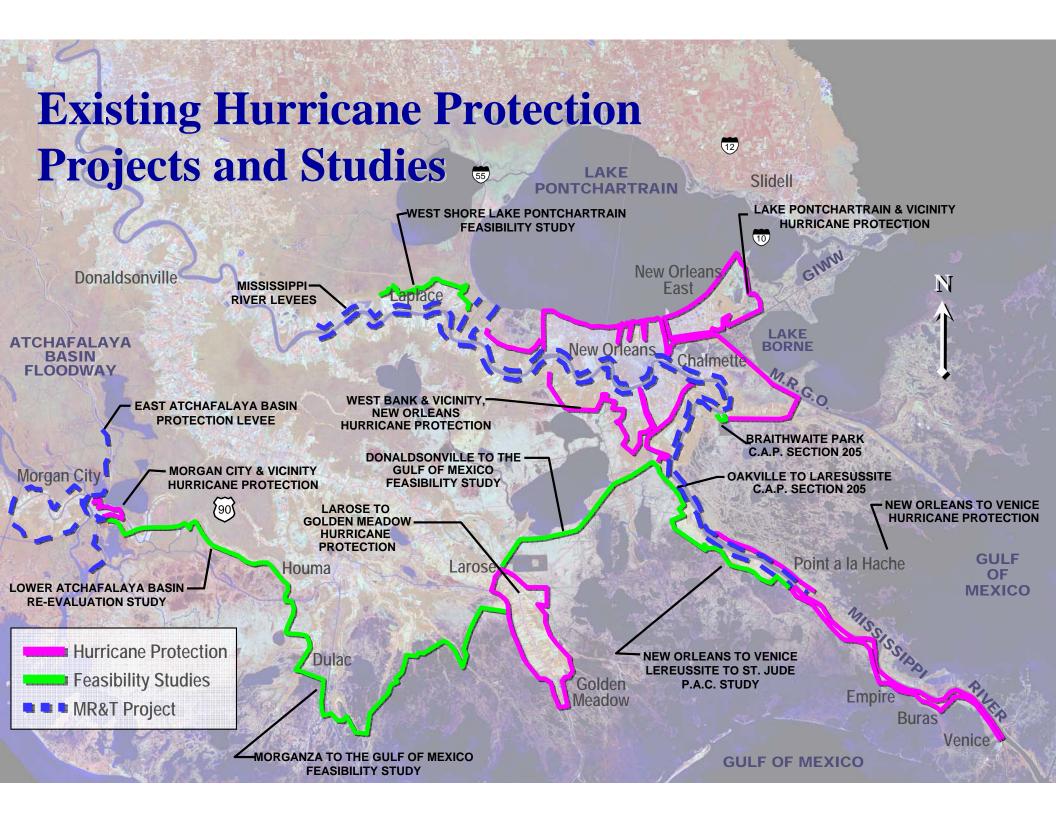
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# EXISTING PROJECTS

#### **Current Situation**

Levee systems take decades to build. There are 2 primary reasons for this:

- (1) Settling & compaction of earthen levee construction requires 4 to 5 years between lifts
  - (2) Limited money appropriated by Congress could build faster if larger amounts were appropriated each fiscal year.



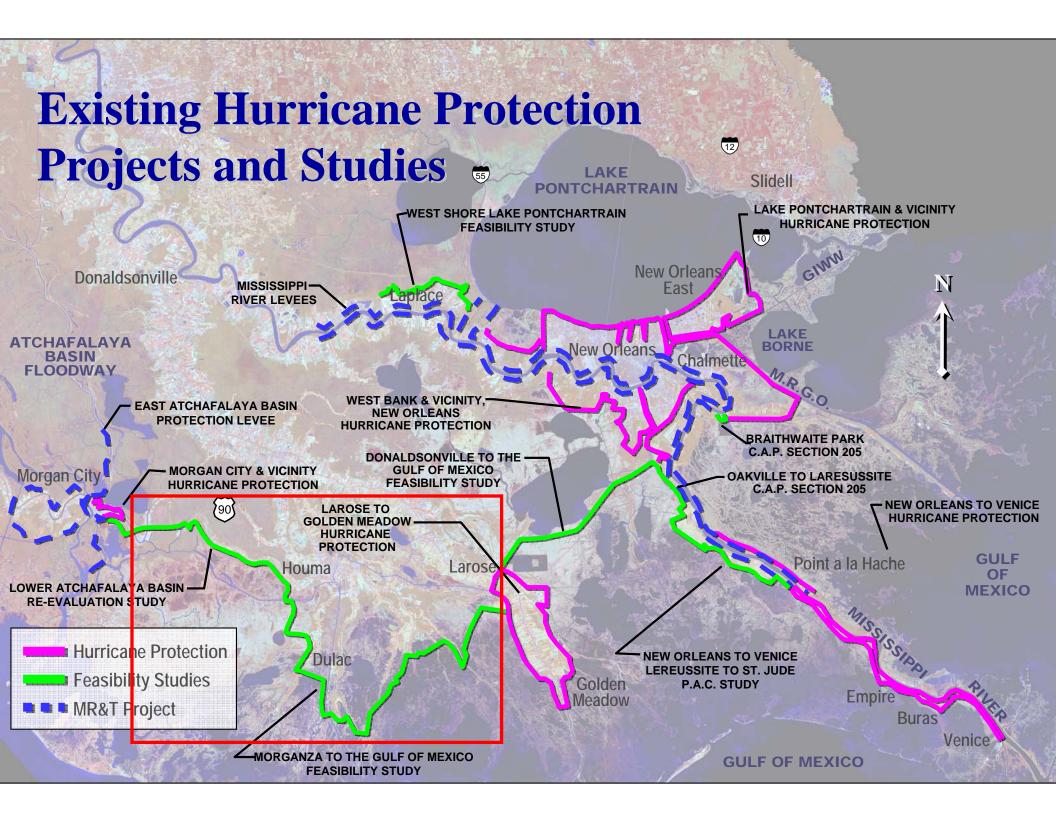
# Future Work on Existing Levee Systems

Complete authorized system	\$544,460,000
Rebuild existing system to design height	\$339,285,000
Federal Flood Control Works Rehab	\$2,000,000
Non-Federal Levees and Pump Station Rehab	\$155,000,000
Total - 3rd Supplemental	\$496,285,000

## Future Work on Existing Levee Systems (cont.)

Outfall Canal Closures and Pump Stations	\$530,000,000
Improvements to IHNC (Gated Structures)	\$350,000,000
Armoring of Levees and Floodwalls	\$170,000,000
Reinforce or Replace Floodwalls	\$1,584,000,000
Non-Fed Pump Station - Storm Proofing Pump Station	\$250,000,000
Incorporate non-Fed Levees in Plaquemines Parish	\$215,000,000
Non-Fed Levees (Terrebonne Parish)	\$30,024,000
Total - 4th Supplemental	\$3,129,024,000

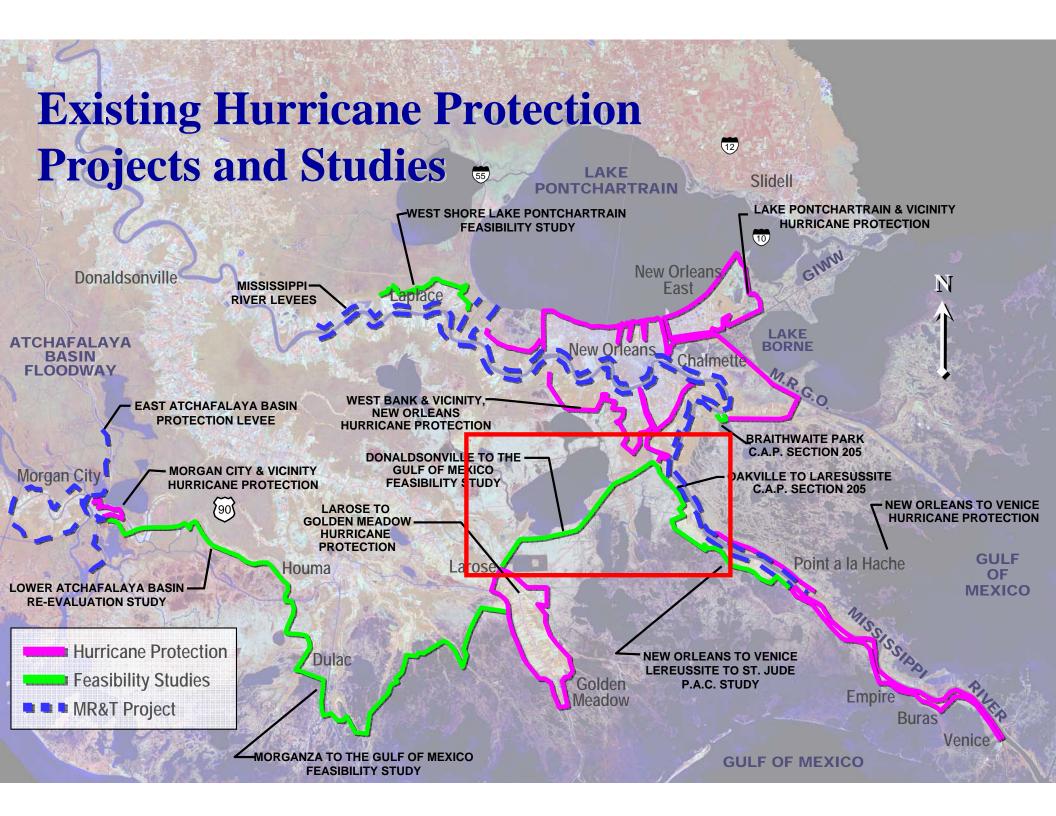
# PLANNED PROJECTS



## New Hurricane Protection Projects Morganza to the Gulf

- The Morganza to the Gulf Hurricane Protection
   Project is located in south central Louisiana. It has
   completed the study phase and has been approved by
   the Chief of Engineers. This project is currently
   awaiting Congressional authorization.
- The total cost for this project is estimated at \$886,700,000
- The project incorporates environmental features into the design.

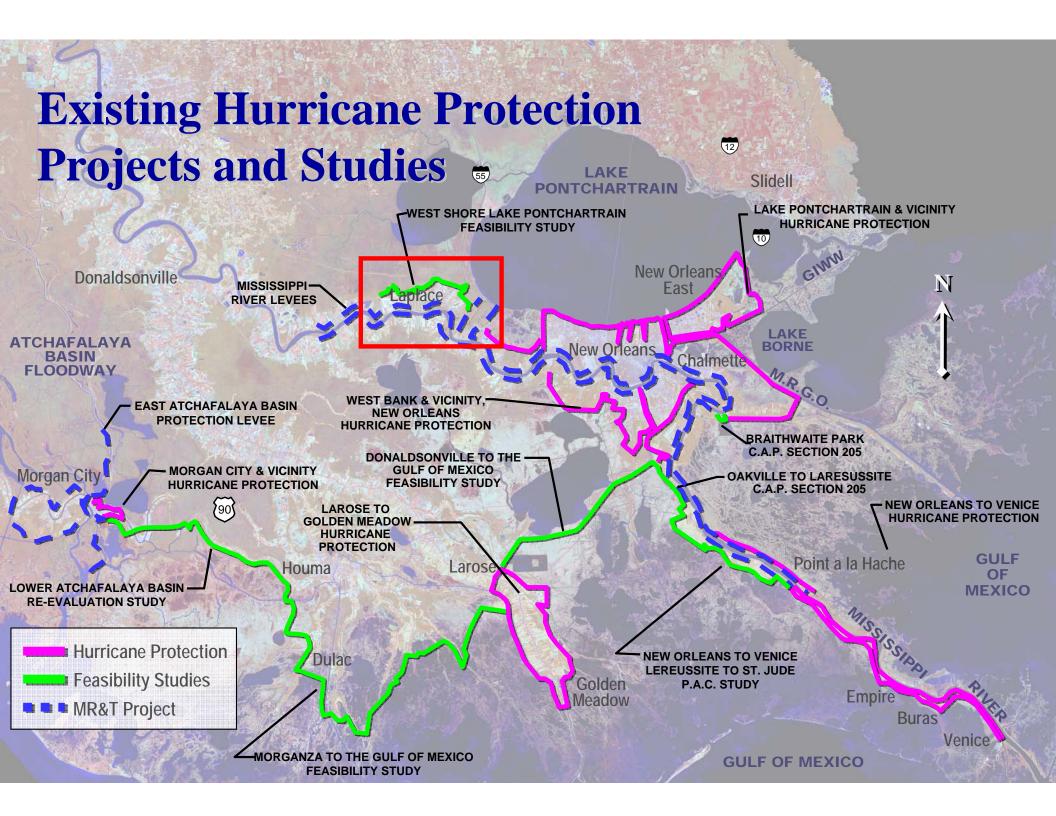




## New Hurricane Protection Projects Donaldsonville to the Gulf

- The Donaldsonville to the Gulf Hurricane Protection Project is located in southeast Louisiana. It is currently in the study phase and expected to be completed in September 2007.
- The total construction cost for this project is estimated at \$500,000,000.
- The project incorporates interior drainage and ecosystem restoration features into the design.





## New Hurricane Protection Projects West Shore Lake Pontchartrain

- The West Shore Lake Pontchartrain Hurricane
   Protection Project is located in southeast Louisiana.

   It is currently in the study phase and expected to be completed in September 2007.
- The total construction cost for this project is estimated at \$140,000,000.
- The study is trying to identify the alignment with the least environmental impacts.

## West Shore Lake Pontchartrain, LA Possible Hurricane Levee Alignments



# LOUISIANA COASTAL PROTECTION AND RESTORATION

## Louisiana Coastal Protection aan Restoration (LaCPR)

This is a relatively new study that will investigate providing higher level hurricane protection for the entire coast of Louisiana.

While this study has been fast tracked in the aftermath of Katrina, the timeframe for completing a comprehensive study is expected to take at least two years.

### **Planning Units\***

#### Geographic Planning Units



<sup>\*</sup> Further divided into sub-units for better resolution as investigation progresses

## Importance of LA Coast to the Nation

- Louisiana is a "working coast"
  - Strategic energy production and delivery corridor
  - Waterborne commerce gateway to the world
  - Vibrant commercial fisheries production grounds
  - Coastal ecosystem with diverse fish and wildlife
- Coastal restoration is integral to hurricane protection of Louisiana's "working coast"
- Unaddressed risk to coastal Louisiana equates to risk of disrupted goods and services to Nation

## Approach

- Multiple lines of defense strategy
  - Coastal restoration/protection
  - Structural measures
  - Non-structural features
- Describes need for using risk reduction decision framework
- Characterizes hurricane threat and engineering design challenges

### Expected Results

• Preliminary Cost Estimates to provide protection to the entire Louisiana coast are around \$200 billion.

• Likely recommendation of the study will not include the entire coast.