



CPRA\LRA  
Working Group Updates

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## CPRA\LRA Working Group Update

- FEMA experts gave presentation on the DFIRM mapping process
    - explained the development of the maps was a substantial and technologically advanced process
  - However, committee members stressed FEMA did not engage local leaders early enough in the process.
    - Cameron and Lafourche and Terrebonne Parishes said FEMA did not engage and hope to work closely with FEMA through the appeals process to correct the preliminary maps.
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- Most critical need:
    - Halt the application of the preliminary DFIRMs for FEMA PA and Temporary Housing programs.
    - If appeals are to be a normal part of the map adoption process, then the Transition Recovery Office should not yet apply the preliminary maps to the PA program.
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## CPRA\LRA Working Group Update Path Forward

- CPRA and LRA are assisting parishes in their appeals
  - CPRA reviewing proposal from LSU experts for assistance to create unified challenge to the DFIRMs
    - Not duplicating work in which parishes are already engaged. Cameron, Terrebonne, Lafourche and St. Tammany have already retained consultants to appeal the DFIRMs
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## Path Forward

- **Status of Appeal Periods for Parishes**
    - St. Tammany Parish - Appeal period concluded, awaiting FEMA response
    - Cameron Parish - Currently in appeals
    - Lafourche Parish - Awaiting second notice to begin appeals
    - Terrebonne Parish - Awaiting second notice to begin appeals
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## CPRA\LRA Working Group Update Path Forward

- The CPRA/LRA working group will organize a visit to Washington with new FEMA administrator
  - CPRA/LRA working group sent a letter to President Obama requesting waiver of applying new maps as best available data until new maps are adopted
  - GOHSEP draft list of FEMA PA projects that are likely to be impacted by FEMA's policy to no longer fund construction in V-Zones
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# Questions?

