

2022 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 149

BY REPRESENTATIVE MINCEY

FLOODING/CONTROL: Urge and requests the Amite River Basin Commission to study tidal surge flood protection and erosion on Lake Maurepas' Livingston Parish shoreline and the effects of dredging of the Amite River

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To urge and request the Amite River Basin Commission to study, in consultation with the  
3 Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority, tidal surge flood protection and  
4 erosion on Lake Maurepas' Livingston Parish shoreline, dredging of the Amite River,  
5 and dredging of the Amite River confluence area at Lake Maurepas and to assess the  
6 cumulative effect of levees, pumps, and other flood protection measures in  
7 surrounding parishes on Livingston Parish.

8 WHEREAS, the state of Louisiana is committed to increasing community and  
9 regional resilience to flooding by managing, mitigating, and adapting to future flood risk;  
10 and

11 WHEREAS, communities are hydraulically and hydrologically connected within the  
12 bounds of a watershed and decisions made in one portion of a watershed will impact  
13 floodplains in other portions of the same watershed; and

14 WHEREAS, flood control measures in surrounding parishes may be affecting the  
15 watershed in Livingston Parish; and

16 WHEREAS, studies should be conducted to assess the cumulative effect of levees,  
17 pumps, and other flood protection measures in surrounding parishes on Livingston Parish;  
18 however, such studies shall, to the extent possible, avoid duplication of effort by utilizing  
19 and coordinating with other study groups already completed or being performed by other  
20 entities.

1 WHEREAS, Livingston Parish is a dynamic watershed with numerous rivers, creeks,  
2 and bayous that intersect and flow south ultimately draining into Lake Maurepas through the  
3 Amite River; and

4 WHEREAS, drainage of the Amite River may be helped by efforts to dredge the  
5 Amite River and the Amite River confluence area at Lake Maurepas.

6 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the  
7 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby urge and request the Amite River Basin Commission  
8 to study, in consultation with the Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority, tidal surge  
9 flood protection and erosion on Lake Maurepas' Livingston Parish shoreline, dredging of the  
10 Amite River, and dredging of the Amite River confluence area at Lake Maurepas and to  
11 assess the cumulative effect of levees, pumps, and other flood protection measures in  
12 surrounding parishes on Livingston Parish.

13 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Amite River Basin Commission shall submit  
14 a written report to the speaker of the House of Representatives detailing its findings and  
15 recommendations by February 1, 2023.

16 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the  
17 executive director of the Amite River Basin Commission and the chairman of the Coastal  
18 Protection and Restoration Authority.

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#### DIGEST

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