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## PRESS RELEASE

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### **Parish Government Sets Meeting with Homeowners Regarding Acquisition and Elevation Projects**

Property owners who have made flood insurance claims may be eligible to participate in a grant program for acquisitions and elevations. More information will be provided at a meeting to be held on Monday, June 29, 2009 at 6:30pm at the Lafourche Parish Government office in the old Wal-Mart building located at 4876 Highway 1 in Mathews.

Representatives from Lafourche Parish Government recently attended a briefing by the Louisiana Governor's Office of Homeland Security & Emergency Preparedness regarding funding through FEMA with the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program. Acquisitions and elevations of primary residences are eligible projects for this funding for those properties listed on the FEMA Repetitive Loss List. FEMA's Repetitive Loss List is made up of properties in the parish that have either made two (2) or more claims under \$10,000 each or one (1) claim of over \$10,000 on the homeowner's flood insurance policy.

As per President Randolph, "Letters were mailed on June 18, 2009, to about 270 property owners in the parish that are on the FEMA Repetitive Loss List. Anyone possibly interested in participating in this grant program will hopefully be able to attend this meeting and learn more."

Any homeowner that has made flood insurance claims in the past and did not receive a letter may contact Darla Duet, Floodplain Manager at (985) 537-7603 to find out if their property is on the FEMA Repetitive Loss List. Those who are interested in participating in the grant application will have to complete a Participation Form and provide that to Lafourche Parish Government by July 15, 2009.

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