

GUIDANCE ON BUILDING AFFORDABLE LEVEES
South Lafourche Levee District

1. We obtain costs estimates from engineers in order to begin discussions on project budgets. We do not build to avoid lawsuits when working with budgets. To ensure the use of the most cost-efficient techniques, we speak directly to the people who build levees and move dirt; contractors who have great experience in building levees and moving soil.
2. We try to design the levee construction in a manner to relieve the contractor of as much risk as possible, which we accept.
3. We focus on the closest material and then engineer it to the needed strength. (This is what the Dutch do.)
4. We question everyone, including ourselves, but we never change just for show. We do not act in response to ignorance, greed, or conformity to appease the public or governmental entities.
5. We work in concert with the conditions around us which will keep water out of people's homes and businesses.
6. We always question our actions and always think.

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