

ATTACHMENT A

LIST OF GOVERNMENTAL COMMENTING AGENCIES

Please solicit views from all agencies as indicated for each environmental cross-cutter listed below by providing them with: (1) a description of the project and a request for solicitation of views (2) a Vicinity Map, and (3) any additional information or maps requested or which may further define the project. Please note that from time-to-time, the agencies and/or contact persons responsible for commenting on the project regarding a specific cross-cutter may change. If a commenting agency is found to no longer comment on a particular law, please notify DWRLF as soon as possible so that this list may be kept up-to-date. If you do not hear back from a commenting agency, please follow-up with that agency to get a response. Copies of all documentation, both to and from the commenting agency, will need to be provided in the System Improvement Plan (SIP). Additionally, a Responsiveness Summary will need to be created that summarizes each agency's response and any mitigation requirements they may have (see the "Responsiveness Summary" description in Section VII of the DWRLF SIP Guidance Document for complete details).

1. Archeological, Landmarks, and Historical Sites

* *National Historic Preservation Act, Pub. L. No. 89-665, as amended, 80 Stat. 917 (1966) 16 U.S.C. §470 et seq.*

* *Archeological and Historic Preservation Act, Pub. L. No. 86-523 (1974), 16 U.S.C. §469 et seq. (During construction) or No. 93-291*

* *Historic Sites Act, Pub. L. No. 2 9 2 (1935), 16 U.S.C. 461 et seq.*

* *Executive Order 11593 (1971) "Protection and Enhancement of the Cultural Environment"*

FEDERAL AGENCY	U. S. Department of the Interior National Park Service (NPS) Southeast Regional Office Atlanta Federal Center, 1924 Building 100 Alabama Street Atlanta, Georgia 30303
CONTACT	Steven Wright, Environmental Protection Specialist Tel: 404 507-5710 Email: Steven_m_Wright@NPS.gov
NOTES	This is the federal agency to comment on this environmental cross-cutter. This agency also comments on the Wild and Scenic Rivers environmental cross-cutter (see Item 11 below). A single solicitation of views letter may be sent requesting comments on both cross-cutters reviewed by this agency, but the letter must identify each cross-cutter request individually. The project will be reviewed for all cross-cutters considered by this agency and a single comment letter issued. If properly followed, this process results in your agency receiving one set of comments on behalf of the National Park Service.
EXAMPLE REQUEST	As part of the NEPA-like review process for this project, please provide any information and/or comments regarding Archeological, Landmarks, and Historical Sites within the Planning Area for this project.

STATE AGENCY	LA Department of Culture, Recreation and Tourism (LDCRT) Office of Cultural Development P.O. Box 44247 Baton Rouge, LA 70804-4247
CONTACT	Robin Daigle Tel: (225)-342-6931 Email: section106@crt.la.gov
NOTES	This is the state agency to comment on this environmental cross-cutter .
EXAMPLE REQUEST	As part of the NEPA-like review process for this project, please provide any information and/or comments regarding the locations and impacts, if any, to (1) buildings, parks, or landmarks that are on the National or State Historic Register, (2) Archeological Sites of historic or cultural importance, or (3) significant places of importance within the Planning Area for this project.

2. Agricultural Lands

** Farmland Protection Policy Act, Pub. L. No. 97-98 (1981), 7 U.S.C. §4201 et seq.*

FEDERAL AGENCY	U.S.Department of Agriculture (USDA) Natural Resources Conservation Service 3737 Government Street Alexandria, LA 71302
CONTACT	Kevin Norton, State Conservation Tel: (318) 473-7789
NOTES	This is the only agency (state or federal) to comment on the Agricultural Lands environmental cross-cutter. Agricultural land is designated as "prime" farmland based on soil type and drainage. A waiver applies to any land designated as "prime" that is within the corporate limits of a community. Federal funding for projects that occur on "prime" land requires a determination, initiated through USDA, of the farm land conversion impact rating.
EXAMPLE REQUEST	As part of the NEPA-like review process for this project, please provide any information and/or comments regarding the locations, if any, of Farmlands or Agricultural Lands identified by your office that are within the Planning Area for this project.

3. Clean Air

** Clean Air Act, as amended (1990), Pub. L. No. 101-549, 42 U.S.C. §7476(c) and §7616*

FEDERAL AGENCY	U. S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA), Region 6 Air Planning Section (6 PD-L) 1445 Ross Avenue, Suite 1200 Dallas, TX 75202
CONTACT	Mr. Jeffrey Riley; Multimedia Planning and Permitting Division Tel: (214) 665-8542 Email: Riley.jeffrey@EPA.gov
NOTES	This is the federal agency to comment on this environmental cross-cutter.
EXAMPLE REQUEST	As part of the NEPA-like review process for this project, please provide any information and/or comments regarding the Clean Air Act within the Planning Area for this project.
STATE AGENCY	LA Department of Environmental Quality (LDEQ) Office of Management and Finance Contract and Grants (Clearing House Review) P.O. Box 4303 Baton Rouge, LA 70821-4303
CONTACT	Linda (Brown) Hardy, Technical Assistance to the Deputy Secretary; Contracts and Grants Review Supervisor (Clearing House Review) Tel: (225) 219-3954 Email: Linda.Hardy@la.gov
NOTES	This is the state agency to comment on this environmental cross-cutter. This agency also comments on the Source Water Protection cross-cutter (see Item 9 below). A single solicitation of views letter may be sent requesting comments on both cross-cutters reviewed by this agency, but the letter must identify each cross-cutter request individually <u>and must specify which Parish the project is located</u> . Depending on the projects Parish location and if that Parish is designated by EPA as an 'ozone nonattainment' Parish, this agency may respond regarding the Clean Air cross-cutter with a requirement for a 'general conformity applicability determination' in meeting Louisiana's State Implementation Plan (SIP) as promulgated under LAC 33:III.14.A. Please note that this agency is currently undergoing reorganization and changes in the Clearing House Review process should be anticipated.
EXAMPLE REQUEST	As part of the NEPA-like review process for this project, please provide any information and/or comments regarding the Clean Air Act within the Planning Area for this project.

4. Coastal Barriers

* *Coastal Barrier Resources Act, Pub. L. No. 97-348, 96 Stat. 1653 (1982), 16 U.S.C. §3501 et seq.*

FEDERAL AGENCY	U.S. Department of the Interior U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service (USFWS) Coastal Barrier Resource Unit 646 Cajundome, No. 400 Lafayette, LA 70506-4290
CONTACT	Amy Trahan, Coastal Barriers Unit Tel: (337)-291-3126 Email: amy_trahan@fws.gov
NOTES	This is the only agency (state or federal) to comment on the Coastal Barriers environmental cross-cutter. This agency is responsible for commenting on multiple cross-cutters including Coastal Barriers, Endangered or Threatened Plant and Animal Species and their Habitats (see Item 6 below), and Wilderness Areas (see Item 12 below). It is the U.S. Dept. of the Interior and DWRLF policy that federal commenting requests for the Coastal Barriers cross-cutter be sent directly to this local office in Louisiana. A single solicitation of views letter may be sent requesting comments on all cross-cutters reviewed by this agency, but the letter must identify each cross-cutter request individually. <u>Note that it is only necessary to request an environmental review from this agency regarding the Coastal Barriers cross-cutter if the project is located in any of the following 19 coastal parishes: St. Bernard, Orleans, St. Tammany, Tangipahoa, Livingston, St. James, St. John, St. Charles, Jefferson, Plaquemines, Lafourche, Terrebonne, Assumption, St. Martin, Iberia, St. Mary, Vermilion, Cameron, and Calcasieu .</u>
EXAMPLE REQUEST	As part of the NEPA-like review process for this project, please provide any information and/or comments regarding NEPA Compliance for a Coastal Barriers Assessment within the Planning Area for this project.

5. Coastal Zone Area

* *Coastal Zone Management Act, Section 307, Pub. L. No. 92-583 (1972), as amended, 16 U.S.C. § 1451 et. seq.*

* *Coastal Zone Management Act, Pub. L. No. 101-508, 104 Stat. 1388-300 (1990)*

STATE AGENCY	LA Department of Natural Resources (LDNR) Office of Coastal Management Coastal Zone Management (CZM) P.O. Box 44487 Capitol Station (617 N. Third Street, 10 th floor) Baton Rouge, LA 70804-4487 (70802)
CONTACT	Please view the websites below for online request; OCM Permits Section;1-800-267-4019 Website: www.dnr.state.la.us Request for Determination for projects Implementation; http://dnr.louisiana.gov/index.cfm?md=pagebuilder&tm=home&pid=93 Outside of Coastal Zone; http://dnr.louisiana.gov/index.cfm?md=pagebuilder&tmp=home&pid=89&pnid=0&nid=39
NOTES	This is the only agency (state or federal) to comment on the Coastal Zone Area environmental cross-cutter. <u>Note that it is only necessary to request an environmental review from this agency regarding the Coastal Zone Area cross-cutter if the project is located in any of the following 19 coastal parishes: St. Bernard, Orleans, St. Tammany, Tangipahoa, Livingston, St. James, St. John, St. Charles, Jefferson, Plaquemines, Lafourche, Terrebonne, Assumption, St. Martin, Iberia, St. Mary, Vermilion, Cameron, and Calcasieu .</u>
EXAMPLE REQUEST	As part of the NEPA-like review process for this project, please provide any information and/or comments regarding the locations, if any, of Coastal Zone Areas managed by your offices that are within the Planning Area for this project.

6. Endangered Or Threatened Plant & Animal Species and their Habitats

* *Endangered Species Act, Pub. L. No. 93-205 (1973), 87 Stat. 884, as amended; 16 U.S.C. §1531 et seq.*

* *Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act, Pub. L. No. 85-624, 48 Stat. 401, as amended; 16 U.S.C. §661 et seq.*

FEDERAL AGENCY	U.S. Department of the Interior U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service (USFWS) 646 Cajundome Blvd. No. 400 Lafayette, LA 70506-4290
CONTACT	Amy Trahan, Coastal Barriers Unit Tel: (337)-291-3126 Email: amy_trahan@fws.gov To perform a threatened and endangered species self-check, see the following link http://www.fws.gov/lafayette/pdc/default.aspx
NOTES	This is one of the federal agencies to comment on this environmental cross-cutter. This agency is responsible for commenting on multiple cross-cutters including Coastal Barriers (see Item 4 above), Endangered or Threatened Plant and Animal Species and their Habitats, and Wilderness Areas (see Item 12 below). It is the U.S. Dept. of the Interior and DWRLF policy that Federal commenting requests for the Endangered Or Threatened Plant & Animal Species and their Habitats cross-cutter be sent directly to this local office in Louisiana. A single solicitation of views letter may be sent requesting comments on all cross-cutters reviewed by this agency, but the letter must identify each cross-cutter request individually.
EXAMPLE REQUEST	As part of the NEPA-like review process for this project, please provide any information and/or comments regarding NEPA Compliance for Endangered or Threatened Plant and Animal Species and their Habitats within the Planning Area for this project.

FEDERAL AGENCY	National Marine Fisheries Services (NMFS) Southeast Regional Office 263 13th Avenue South Saint Petersburg, FL 33701-5511
CONTACT	Dr. Roy Crabtree, Regional Administrator Tel: (727)-824-5301 Email: roy.crabtree@noaa.gov
NOTES	This is one of the federal agencies to comment on this environmental cross-cutter. <u>Note that it is only necessary to request an environmental review from this agency if the project is located in any of the following 19 coastal parishes: St. Bernard, Orleans, St. Tammany, Tangipahoa, Livingston, St. James, St. John, St. Charles, Jefferson, Plaquemines, Lafourche, Terrebonne, Assumption, St. Martin, Iberia, St. Mary, Vermilion, Cameron, and Calcasieu .</u>
EXAMPLE REQUEST	As part of the NEPA-like review process for this project, please provide any information and/or comments regarding NEPA Compliance for Endangered or Threatened Plant and Animal Species and their Habitats within the Planning Area for this project.

STATE AGENCY	LA Department of Wildlife and Fisheries (LDWF) Natural Heritage Program Post Office Box 98000 Baton Rouge, LA 70898-9000
CONTACT	Amity Bass, Program Manager Tel: (225) 765-2975 Email: abass@wlf.la.gov Carolyn Michon, Assistant Data Manager (225) 765-2357 Email: cmichon@wlf.la.gov
NOTES	This is the state agency to comment on this environmental cross-cutter. The Natural Heritage Program is a program within the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries set up as a "clearinghouse" for solicitations of views on multiple cross-cutters handled within the department including Endangered or Threatened Plant & Animal Species and their Habitats, as well as Wild & Scenic Rivers (see Item 11 below). A single solicitation of views letter may be sent requesting comments on both cross-cutters reviewed by this agency, but the letter must identify each cross-cutter request individually.
EXAMPLE REQUEST	As part of the NEPA-like review process for this project, please provide any information and/or comments regarding Endangered or Threatened Plant & Animal Species and their Habitats within the Planning Area for this project.

7. Floodplain Management

* National Flood Insurance Act. Pub. L. No. 90-448 (1968), 42 U.S.C. § 4001 et seq

* Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973, Pub. L. No. 93-234, 87 Stat. 939 (1973)

* Executive Order No. 11988 (1977) 'Floodplain Management', as amended by Executive Order No. 12148 (1979)

FEDERAL AGENCY	Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), Region 6 Federal Regional Center: FRC 800 North Loop 288 Denton, TX 76209-3698
CONTACT	Tony Robinson, Regional Director Tel: (940) 898-5399 or David Hiegel (940) 898-5405 david.hiegel@fema.dhs.gov
NOTES	This is one of the federal agencies to comment on this environmental cross-cutter. This agency typically responds with a comment requesting that the local/regional Floodplain Administrator be contacted for any comments on the project. <u>It is recommended that the local/regional Floodplain Administrator be contacted at the same time as this agency.</u> The list of local/regional Floodplain Administrators may be obtained by calling the State Agency contact person listed below.
EXAMPLE REQUEST	As part of the NEPA-like review process for this project, please provide any information and/or comments regarding the locations of Floodplains that are within the Planning Area for this project.
FEDERAL AGENCY	U. S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) <u>New Orleans</u> District Operations Division, Operations Manager, Completed Works P.O. Box 60267 New Orleans, LA 70160-0267
CONTACT	Karen Clement, Solicitation of Views Manager Tel: (504) 862-2313 Email: Karen.L.Clement@usace.army.mil
NOTES	This agency (New Orleans District) provides comments on proposed projects in all <u>southern</u> Parishes of Louisiana roughly from the City of Alexandria south to the Gulf. The exceptions are (1) a portion of the state west of the City Lake Charles and (2) a portion of the state north of the City of Slidell. Projects near these areas as well as at the district dividing line near the City of Alexandria should call the USACE office for directions. This agency also comments on the Wetlands Protection environmental cross-cutter (see Item 10 below). A single solicitation of views letter may be sent requesting comments on both cross-cutters reviewed by this agency, but the letter must identify each cross-cutter request individually. The New Orleans District utilizes a clearinghouse approach to route the request to the appropriate sections within for comments and returns a single comment letter regarding any requirements that must be met.
EXAMPLE REQUEST	As part of the NEPA-like review process for this project, please provide any information and/or comments regarding the locations of Floodplains that are within the Planning Area for this project.
FEDERAL AGENCY	U. S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) <u>Vicksburg</u> District Planning Programs and Project Management Division (PPPMD) 4155 Clay St. Vicksburg, MS 39183-3435
CONTACT	Doug Sims, Project Manager Tel: (601) 631-5425 Email: doug.c.sims@mvk02.usace.army.mil
NOTES	This agency (Vicksburg District) provides comments on proposed projects in all <u>northern</u> Parishes of Louisiana roughly from the City of Alexandria north to the state line. The exceptions are (1) a portion of the state west of the City of Mansfield and (2) a portion of the state north of the City of Slidell. Projects near these areas as well as at the district dividing line near the City of Alexandria should call the USACE office for directions. This agency also comments on the Wetlands Protection environmental cross-cutter (see Item 10 below), however that cross-cutter is handled by a different division of the agency. The Vicksburg District does not utilize the same "clearinghouse" approach to route the request to the appropriate divisions for comments as does the New Orleans District. <u>Therefore, projects located within the USACE Vicksburg District must send a solicitation of views request for comment letter to both divisions, indentifying each request separately.</u> This division of the agency will typically request that the local Floodplain Administrator be contacted. The list of local/regional Floodplain Administrators may be obtained by calling the State Agency contact person listed below.
EXAMPLE REQUEST	As part of the NEPA-like review process for this project, please provide any information and/or comments regarding the locations of Floodplains that are within the Planning Area for this project.

STATE	LA Department of Transportation & Development (LDOTD)
AGENCY	Floodplain Management P.O. Box 94245 Baton Rouge, LA 70804-9245
CONTACT	Cindy O'Neal, Floodplain Insurance Manager Tel: (225)274-4354
NOTES	This is the state agency to comment on this environmental cross-cutter. This agency typically responds with a few standard minimum requirements of the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) as well as a request that the local/regional Floodplain Administrator be contacted for any comments on the project. <u><i>It is recommended that the local/regional Floodplain Administrator be contacted at the same time as this agency.</i></u> The list of local/regional Floodplain Administrators may be obtained by contacting the agency at the phone number listed above.
EXAMPLE REQUEST	As part of the NEPA-like review process for this project, please provide any information and/or comments regarding the locations of Floodplains that are within the Planning Area for this project.

LOCAL AGENCY	The Local/Regional Floodplain Administrator
CONTACT	See NOTES under STATE AGENCY listed above.
EXAMPLE REQUEST	As part of the NEPA-like review process for this project, please provide any information and/or comments regarding the locations of Floodplains that are within the Planning Area for this project.

8. Sole Source Aquifer

** Safe Drinking Water Act, Section 1424, Pub. L. No. 93-523 (1974), as amended, 42 U.S.C. 300f et seq.*

FEDERAL AGENCY	U. S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA), Region 6 Source Water Protection Branch Ground Water/Underground Injection Control Section (6WQ-SG) 1445 Ross Avenue, Suite 1200 Dallas, TX 75202-2733
CONTACT	Omar Martinez (6WQ-SG) Tel: (214) 665-2191 Email: martinez.omar@epa.gov
NOTES	This is the only agency (state or federal) to comment on the Sole Source Aquifer environmental cross-cutter.
EXAMPLE REQUEST	As part of the NEPA-like review process for this project, please provide any information and/or comments regarding the locations, if any, of Sole Source Aquifers within the Planning Area for this project.

9. Source Water Protection

** Safe Drinking Water Act, Sections 1453 and 1428, Pub. L. No. 93-523 (1974), as amended, 42 U.S.C. 300f et seq.*

STATE AGENCY	LA Department of Environmental Quality (LDEQ) Office of Management and Finance Contract and Grants (Clearing House Review) P.O. Box 4303 Baton Rouge, LA 70821-4303
CONTACT	Linda (Brown) Hardy, Technical Assistance to the Deputy Secretary; Contracts and Grants Review Supervisor (Clearing House Review) Tel: (225) 219-3954 Email: Linda.Hardy@la.gov
NOTES	This is the only agency (state or federal) to comment on this environmental cross-cutter. This agency also comments on the Clean Air environmental cross-cutter (see Item 3 above). A single solicitation of views letter may be sent requesting comments on both cross-cutters reviewed by this agency, but the letter must identify each cross-cutter request individually. This agency is currently undergoing reorganization and changes in the Clearing House Review process should be anticipated.
EXAMPLE REQUEST	As part of the NEPA-like review process for this project, please provide any information and/or comments regarding Source Water Protection within the Planning Area for this project.

10. Wetlands Protection

* Clean Water Act, Section 404, Protection of Wetlands, Pub. L. 92-500, as amended

* Executive Order No. 11990 (1977) 'Protection of Wetlands', as amended by Executive Order No. 12608 (1987)

* Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899

FEDERAL AGENCY	U. S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) New Orleans District Operations Division, Operations Manager, Completed Works P.O. Box 60267 New Orleans, LA 70160-0267
CONTACT	Karen Clement, Solicitation of Views Manager Tel: (504) 862-2313 Email: Karen.L.Clement@usace
NOTES	This agency (New Orleans District) provides comments on proposed projects in all <u>southern</u> Parishes of Louisiana roughly from the City of Alexandria south to the Gulf. The exceptions are (1) a portion of the state west of the City Lake Charles and (2) a portion of the state north of the City of Slidell. Projects near these areas as well as at the district dividing line near the City of Alexandria should call the USACE office for directions. This agency also comments on the Floodplain Management environmental cross-cutter (see Item 7 above). A single solicitation of views letter may be sent requesting comments on both cross-cutters reviewed by this agency, but the letter must identify each cross-cutter request individually. The New Orleans District utilizes a clearinghouse approach to route the request to the appropriate sections within for comments and returns a single comment letter regarding any requirements that must be met.
EXAMPLE REQUEST	As part of the NEPA-like review process for this project, please provide any information and/or comments regarding Section 404 Permits and/or Wetlands within the Planning Area for this project as well as any other issues the USACE may have with this project. If a permit will be required, please begin the permit process and inform us as to the requirements that will need to be met.

FEDERAL AGENCY	U. S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) Vicksburg District Operations Division, Regulatory Branch Attn: Chief, Regulatory Branch 4155 Clay St. Vicksburg, MS 39183-3435
CONTACT	Jennifer Mallard, Regulatory Branch Tel: (601) 631-7071 Email: regulatory@usace.army.mil
NOTES	This agency (Vicksburg District) provides comments on proposed projects in all <u>northern</u> Parishes of Louisiana roughly from the City of Alexandria north to the state line. The exceptions are (1) a portion of the state west of the City of Mansfield and (2) a portion of the state north of the City of Slidell. Projects near these areas as well as at the district dividing line near the City of Alexandria should call the USACE office for directions. This agency also comments on the Floodplain Management environmental cross-cutter (see Item 7 above), however that cross-cutter is handled by a different division of the agency. The Vicksburg District does not utilize the same "clearinghouse" approach to route the request to the appropriate divisions for comments as does the New Orleans District. <u>Therefore, projects located within the USACE Vicksburg District must send a solicitation of views request for comment letter to both divisions, indentifying each request separately.</u>
EXAMPLE REQUEST	As part of the NEPA-like review process for this project, please provide any information and/or comments regarding Section 404 Permits and/or Wetlands within the Planning Area for this project as well as any other issues the USACE may have with this project. If a permit will be required, please begin the permit process and inform us as to the requirements that will need to be met.

FEDERAL AGENCY	U. S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA), Region 6 Marine and Wetlands Section (6WQ-EM) 1445 Ross Avenue, Suite 1200 Dallas, TX 75202-2733
CONTACT	Chief Regulatory Branch or Raul Gutierrez, EPS Tel: (214) 665-6697 Email: Gutierrez.raul@epa.gov
NOTES	In addition to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, the USEPA must also be contacted regarding Wetlands.
EXAMPLE REQUEST	As part of the NEPA-like review process for this project, please provide any information and/or comments the EPA may have regarding Wetlands within the Planning Area for this project.

11. Wild & Scenic Rivers

* *Wild and Scenic Rivers Act, Pub. L. No. 90-542, 82 Stat. 913 (1968), 16 U.S.C. §1271 et seq.*

FEDERAL AGENCY	U. S. Department of the Interior National Park Service (NPS) Southeast Regional Office Atlanta Federal Center, 1924 Building 100 Alabama Street Atlanta, Georgia 30303
CONTACT	Steven Wright, Environmental Protection Specialist Tel: 404-507-5710 Email: Steven_m_Wright@NPS.gov
NOTES	This is one of the Federal Agencies to comment on this environmental cross-cuttter, as well as the Archeological, Landmarks, and Historical Sites environmental cross-cutter (see Item 1 above). A single solicitation of views letter may be sent requesting comments on both cross-cutters reviewed by this agency, but the letter must identify each cross-cutter request individually. The project will be reviewed for all cross-cutters considered by this agency and a single comment letter issued. If properly followed, this process results in your agency receiving one set of comments on behalf of the National Park Service.
EXAMPLE REQUEST	As part of the NEPA-like review process for this project, please provide any information and/or comments regarding Wild and Scenic Rivers within the Planning Area for this project.
FEDERAL AGENCY	U. S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Forest Service Kisatchie National Forest 2500 Shreveport Highway Pineville, LA 71360
CONTACT	David Byrd, Ecosystem, Conservation and Planning Staff Officer Tel: (318)-473-7160 (or Elizabeth Hoyt, Environmental Affairs Coordinator and Planner at 318-473-7154)
NOTES	This agency reviews projects for only one designated river in the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System, Saline River Bayou. <u>Therefore, a solicitation of views request for comment letter regarding National Wild and Scenic Rivers must ONLY be documented from this agency for projects located in Winn Parish.</u> This agency also comments on the Wilderness Areas cross-cutter (see Item 12 below). A single solicitation of views letter may be sent requesting comments on both cross-cutters reviewed by this agency, but the letter must identify each cross-cutter request individually.
EXAMPLE REQUEST	As part of the NEPA-like review process for this project, please provide any information and/or comments regarding the locations, if any, of (Federal) Wild and Scenic Rivers within the Planning Area for this project that are managed by the USDA Forest Service.
STATE AGENCY	LA Department of Wildlife and Fisheries (LDWF) Natural Heritage Program Post Office Box 98000 Baton Rouge, LA 70898-9000
CONTACT	Amity Bass, Program Manager Tel: (225) 765-2975 Email: abass@wlf.la.gov Carolyn Michon, Assistant Data Manager (225) 765-2357 Email:cmichon@wlf.la.gov
NOTES	The Natural Heritage Program is a program within the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries set up as a "clearinghouse" for solicitations of views on multiple cross-cutters handled within the department including Endangered or Threatened Plant & Animal Species and their Habitats (see Item 6 above), as well as Wild & Scenic Rivers. A single solicitation of views letter may be sent requesting comments on both cross-cutters reviewed by this agency, but the letter must identify each cross-cutter request individually.
EXAMPLE REQUEST	As part of the NEPA-like review process for this project, please provide any information and/or comments regarding the locations, if any, of recognized Wild and Scenic Rivers within the Planning Area for this project.

12. Wilderness Areas

* *Wilderness Act, Pub. L. No. 88-577 (1964), 16 U.S.C. §1131 et seq.*

FEDERAL AGENCY U. S. Department of Agriculture (USDA)
Forest Service
Kisatchie National Forest
2500 Shreveport Highway (Box 5500)
Pineville, LA 71360

CONTACT David Byrd, Ecosystem, Conservation and Planning Staff Officer
Tel: (318)-473-7160 (or Elizabeth Hoyt, Environmental Affairs Coordinator and Planner at 318-473-7154)

NOTES Although there are only three designated Wilderness Areas in Louisiana, only one is managed by this agency - Kisatchie Hills Wilderness Area. Therefore, a solicitation of views request for comment letter regarding Wilderness Areas must ONLY be documented from this agency for projects located in Claiborne, Grant, Natchitoches, Rapides, Vernon, Webster, and Winn Parishes. This agency also comments on the Wild and Scenic Rivers cross-cutter (see Item 11 above). A single solicitation of views letter may be sent requesting comments on both cross-cutters reviewed by this agency, but the letter must identify each cross-cutter request individually.

EXAMPLE REQUEST As part of the NEPA-like review process for this project, please provide any information and/or comments regarding the locations, if any, of designated Wilderness Areas within the Planning Area for this project that are managed by the USDA Forest Service.

FEDERAL AGENCY U. S. Department of the Interior
U. S. Fish & Wildlife Service (USFWS)
646 Cajundome Blvd. No. 400
Lafayette, LA 70506-4290

CONTACT Amy Trahan
Tel: (337)-291-3126

NOTES This agency is responsible for commenting on multiple cross-cutters including Coastal Barriers (see Item 4 above), Endangered or Threatened Plant and Animal Species and their Habitats (see Item 6 above), and Wilderness Areas. There are 3 National Wilderness Areas in Louisiana. Two are uninhabitable (Chandalier Islands and Shell Keys off Marsh Island). The third is Kisatchie National Wilderness Area, but only the portion located in Natchitoches Parish is reviewed by this agency. Therefore, a solicitation of views request for comment letter regarding Wilderness Areas must ONLY be documented from this agency for projects located in Natchitoches Parish. A single solicitation of views letter may be sent requesting comments on all cross-cutters reviewed by this agency, but the letter must identify each cross-cutter request individually.

EXAMPLE REQUEST As part of the NEPA-like review process for this project, please provide any information and/or comments regarding NEPA Compliance for the locations, if any, of designated Wilderness Areas within the Planning Area for this project that are managed by the US Fish and Wildlife Service.

13. ADDITIONAL NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS:

Intergovernmental Review

* *Demonstration Cities and Metropolitan Development Act, Pub. L. No. 89-754 (1966), as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 3331 et seq.*

LOCAL AGENCY CONTACT The Water System is required to contact the local government for comments. An attached list of Intergovernmental Agencies, identified by Parish, is provided. Contact only the agency(s) associated with the Parish where the proposed project is located.

EXAMPLE REQUEST As part of the NEPA-like review process for this project, please provide any information and/or comments of significant places of importance within the Planning Area for this project and the impact, if any, the project may have on these sites.

Public Hearing

A public hearing must be conducted as part of the environmental review (see the "Public Hearing" section of the DWRLF Guidance Documents for complete details). All agencies listed above that were sent solicitation of views for the project must be notified of the public hearing, in addition to our agency as listed below:

STATE AGENCY LA Department of Health and Hospitals (LDHH)
Office of Public Health
Engineering Services
Drinking Water Revolving Loan Fund Program
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