

## 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 VI 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. 292 (1935), 16 U.S.C. 461 et seq.*

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

<b>FEDERAL AGENCY</b>	U. S. Department of the Interior National Park Service (NPS) Southeast Regional Office Atlanta Federal Center, 1924 Building 100 Alabama Street Atlanta, Georgia 30303
<b>CONTACT</b>	Steven Wright, Environmental Protection Specialist Tel: 404 507-5710 Email: <a href="mailto:Steven_m_Wright@NPS.gov">Steven_m_Wright@NPS.gov</a>
<b>NOTES</b>	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.
<b>EXAMPLE REQUEST</b>	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.

<b>STATE AGENCY</b>	LA Department of Culture, Recreation and Tourism (LDCRT) Office of Cultural Development P.O. Box 44247 Baton Rouge, LA 70804-4247
<b>CONTACT</b>	Robin Daigle Tel: (225)-342-6931 Email: <a href="mailto:section106@crt.la.gov">section106@crt.la.gov</a>
<b>NOTES</b>	This is the state agency to comment on this environmental cross-cutter .
<b>EXAMPLE REQUEST</b>	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.*

<b>FEDERAL AGENCY</b>	U.S.Department of Agriculture (USDA) Natural Resources Conservation Service 3737 Government Street Alexandria, LA 71302
<b>CONTACT</b>	Richard "Chad" Kacir, State Conservationist Tel: (318) 473-7751 Email: <a href="mailto:Richar.kacir@usda.gov">Richar.kacir@usda.gov</a>

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*

<b>FEDERAL AGENCY</b>	U. S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA), Region 6 Air Planning Section (6 PD-L) 1201 Elm Street Dallas, Texas 75270-2162
CONTACT	Mr. Jeffrey Riley; Multimedia Planning and Permitting Division Tel: (214) 665-8542 Email: <a href="mailto:Riley.jeffrey@EPA.gov">Riley.jeffrey@EPA.gov</a>
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.
<b>STATE AGENCY</b>	LA Department of Environmental Quality (LDEQ) Office of the Secretary Outreach and Small Business Assistance P.O. Box 4301 Baton Rouge, LA 70821-4301
CONTACT	Linda (Brown) Piper, Environmental Scientist Manager Tel: (225) 219-3954 Email: <a href="mailto:Linda.piper@la.gov">Linda.piper@la.gov</a>
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.
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.*

<b>FEDERAL AGENCY</b>	U.S. Department of the Interior U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service (USFWS) Coastal Barrier Resource Unit 200 Dulles Drive Lafayette, LA 70506
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CONTACT Joe A. Hodges  
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U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service  
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Amy Trahan  
Fish and Wildlife Biologist  
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service  
Louisiana Ecological Services Office  
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[amy\\_trahan@fws.gov](mailto: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. 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 .

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 LA Department of Natural Resources (LDNR)  
AGENCY Office of Coastal Management  
Coastal Zone Management (CZM)  
P.O. Box 44487 Capitol Station (617 N. Third Street, 10<sup>th</sup> 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](http://www.dnr.state.la.us)  
Request for Determination for projects Implementation:  
<http://dnr.louisiana.gov/index.cfm?md=pagebuilder&tm=home&pid=93>

NOTES This is the only agency (state or federal) to comment on the Coastal Zone Area environmental cross-cutter. 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 .

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 U.S. Department of the Interior  
AGENCY U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service (USFWS)  
2. Environmental Commenting Agencies rev4-1-2020

CONTACT	<p>200 Dulles Drive Lafayette, LA 70506</p> <p>Joe A. Hodges Fish and Wildlife Biologist U.S. Fish &amp; Wildlife Service Louisiana Ecological Services Mississippi-Basin Region 337.291.3109 (office) Email: <a href="mailto:joe_hodges@fws.gov">joe_hodges@fws.gov</a> <a href="http://www.fws.gov/southeast/lafayette">www.fws.gov/southeast/lafayette</a> or Amy Trahan Fish and Wildlife Biologist U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Louisiana Ecological Services Office Mississippi-Basin Region 337-291-3126 (Office) 337-291-3139 (Fax) <a href="mailto:amy_trahan@fws.gov">amy_trahan@fws.gov</a></p>
NOTES	<p>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 &amp; 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.</p>
EXAMPLE REQUEST	<p>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.</p>
<b>FEDERAL AGENCY</b>	<p>National Marine Fisheries Services (NMFS) Southeast Regional Office 263 13th Avenue South Saint Petersburg, FL 33701-5511</p>
CONTACT	<p>Dr. Roy Crabtree, Regional Administrator Tel: (727)-824-5301 Email: <a href="mailto:roy.crabtree@noaa.gov">roy.crabtree@noaa.gov</a> For Technical Assistance contact Noah Silverman NEPA Coordinator, Southeast Region Phone: (727) 824-5353 Email: <a href="mailto:noah.silverman@noaa.gov">noah.silverman@noaa.gov</a></p>
NOTES	<p>This is one of the federal agencies to comment on this environmental cross-cutter. <b><u>Note that it is only necessary to request an environmental review from this agency if the project (1) affects either the marine environment or marine resources AND (2) 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></b> If there are no resources (e.g., Threatened and Endangered Species, Critical Habitat) under NMFS' jurisdiction potentially affected by your project, then there is no need to correspond with this agency - <b><u>but clearly state this fact in the SIP.</u></b> For more information, we recommend visiting the following webpage:</p> <p>Information on Threatened and Endangered Species and Critical Habitat <a href="http://sero.nmfs.noaa.gov/protected_resources/index.html">http://sero.nmfs.noaa.gov/protected_resources/index.html</a></p>
EXAMPLE REQUEST	<p>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.</p>
<b>STATE AGENCY</b>	<p>LA Department of Wildlife and Fisheries (LDWF) Wildlife Diversity Program Post Office Box 98000 Baton Rouge, LA 70899-0000</p>

CONTACT Nicole Lorenz  
Wildlife Diversity Program Manager  
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NOTES LDWF's Wildlife Diversity Program (formerly *Natural Heritage Program*) is responsible for conserving Louisiana's rare, threatened, and endangered plant and animal species, nongame birds, and natural communities. The program is 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. Program staff conduct, guide, fund, and facilitate research, monitoring, and inventory of Species of Greatest Conservation Need and their associated habitats as identified in LDWF's Wildlife Action Plan.

LDWF's Wildlife Diversity Program staff use a centralized database to review proposed construction projects to identify potential impacts to rare, threatened, or endangered species and natural communities.

EXAMPLE **To request a project review, submit a written request with the following information:**

REQUEST -Detailed project description  
-Map of exact project location and geographic extent (an ESRI shapefile projected in NAD83, UTM, Zone 15 is preferred, but a Google Earth kmz or kml file or a USGS 7.5-foot quad map with location and extent of project may be acceptable). A poorly detailed map will delay the project review.  
-Review parameters (e.g. 1-mile radius of project boundary)  
-Latitude/longitude and township, range, and section, if known.

**Send requests to Carolyn Michon via email to [cmichon@wlf.la.gov](mailto:cmichon@wlf.la.gov) or mail to:**

LDWF Wildlife Diversity Program  
Attn: Carolyn Michon, Assistant Wildlife Diversity Program Data Manager  
PO Box 98000  
Baton Rouge, LA 70898-9000

*There is a \$30 fee per quad reviewed for each project review. The client will receive an invoice and response letter with our findings. This information will be delivered via USPS or email.*

## 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 Darrin D. Dutton  
(940) 893-7398  
Email: [DarrinD.Dutton@fema.dhs.gov](mailto:DarrinD.Dutton@fema.dhs.gov)  
or  
Tony Robinson, Regional Director  
Tel: (940) 898-5399

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. It is recommended that the local/regional Floodplain Administrator be contacted at the same time as this agency. 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)  
New Orleans District  
Project Management Division  
7400 Leake Avenue  
New Orleans, LA 70118

CONTACT	Sean Brunet, Project Manager Email: <a href="mailto:Sean.G.Brunet@usace.army.mil">Sean.G.Brunet@usace.army.mil</a> 504.862.1545
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.
<b>FEDERAL AGENCY</b>	U. S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) <u>Vicksburg District</u> Planning Programs and Project Management Division (PPPMD) 4155 Clay St. Vicksburg, MS 39183-3435
CONTACT	Doug Sims, Project Manager Tel: (601) 631-5425 Email: <a href="mailto:doug.c.sims@mvk02.usace.army.mil">doug.c.sims@mvk02.usace.army.mil</a>
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.
<b>STATE AGENCY</b>	LA Department of Transportation & Development (LDOTD) Floodplain Management P.O. Box 94245 Baton Rouge, LA 70804-9245
CONTACT	Cindy O'Neal, Floodplain Insurance Manager Tel: (225) 379-3005 Email: <a href="mailto:Cindy.ONeal@la.gov">Cindy.ONeal@la.gov</a>
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>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 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.
<b>LOCAL AGENCY</b>	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.*

<b>FEDERAL AGENCY</b>	U. S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA), Region 6 Source Water Protection Branch Ground Water/Underground Injection Control Section (6WQ-SG)  USEPA REGION 6 1201 Elm Street Suite 500 Mail Code: WDPN Dallas, TX 75270-210
<b>CONTACT</b>	Omar Martinez (6WQ-SG) Tel: (214) 665-2191 Email: <a href="mailto:martinez.omar@epa.gov">martinez.omar@epa.gov</a>
<b>NOTES</b>	This is the only agency (state or federal) to comment on the Sole Source Aquifer environmental cross-cutter.
<b>EXAMPLE REQUEST</b>	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.*

<b>STATE AGENCY</b>	LA Department of Environmental Quality (LDEQ) Office of the Secretary Outreach and Small Business Assistance P.O. Box 4301 Baton Rouge, LA 70821-4301
<b>CONTACT</b>	Linda (Brown) Piper, Environmental Scientist Manager Tel: (225) 219-3954 Email: <a href="mailto:Linda.piper@la.gov">Linda.piper@la.gov</a>
<b>NOTES</b>	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.
<b>EXAMPLE REQUEST</b>	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*

<b>FEDERAL AGENCY</b>	U. S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) <u>New Orleans</u> District Project Management Division 7400 Leake Avenue New Orleans, LA 70118
<b>CONTACT</b>	Sean Brunet, Solicitation of Views Manager Email: <a href="mailto:Sean.G.Brunet@usace.army.mil">Sean.G.Brunet@usace.army.mil</a> 504.862.1545
<b>NOTES</b>	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.
<b>EXAMPLE REQUEST</b>	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.

<b>FEDERAL AGENCY</b>	U. S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) Vicksburg District Operations Division, Regulatory Branch Attn: Chief, Regulatory Branch 4155 Clay St. Vicksburg, MS 39183-3435
<b>CONTACT</b>	Jennifer Mallard, Regulatory Branch Tel: (601) 631-7071 Email: <a href="mailto:regulatory@usace.army.mil">regulatory@usace.army.mil</a>
<b>NOTES</b>	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>
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<b>FEDERAL AGENCY</b>	U. S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA), Region 6 Marine and Wetlands Section (6WQ-EM) 1201 Elm Street Dallas, Texas 75270-2162
<b>CONTACT</b>	CONTACT: Section Chief or Raul Gutierrez, Ph.D., Wetlands Scientist Tel: (214) 665-6697 Email: <a href="mailto:Gutierrez.raul@epa.gov">Gutierrez.raul@epa.gov</a>
<b>NOTES</b>	In addition to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, the USEPA must also be contacted regarding Wetlands.
<b>EXAMPLE REQUEST</b>	<u>Electronic copy to email is the preferred method of delivery for Project Review Requests.</u> 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.*

<b>FEDERAL AGENCY</b>	U. S. Department of the Interior National Park Service (NPS) Southeast Regional Office Atlanta Federal Center, 1924 Building 100 Alabama Street Atlanta, Georgia 30303
<b>CONTACT</b>	Steven Wright, Environmental Protection Specialist Tel: 404-507-5710 Email: <a href="mailto:Steven_m_Wright@NPS.gov">Steven_m_Wright@NPS.gov</a>
<b>NOTES</b>	This is one of the Federal Agencies to comment on this environmental cross-cutter, 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.
<b>EXAMPLE REQUEST</b>	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.
<b>FEDERAL AGENCY</b>	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)-473-7059  
Email: [david.byrd@usda.gov](mailto:david.byrd@usda.gov)

NOTES This agency reviews projects for only one designated river in the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System, Saline River Bayou. 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. 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.

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STATE LA Department of Wildlife and Fisheries (LDWF)  
AGENCY Wildlife Diversity Program

Post Office Box 98000  
Baton Rouge, LA 70898-9000

CONTACT Nicole Lorenz  
Wildlife Diversity Program Manager  
225.765.2643  
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NOTES LDWF's Wildlife Diversity Program (formerly *Natural Heritage Program*) is responsible for conserving Louisiana's rare, threatened, and endangered plant and animal species, nongame birds, and natural communities. The program is 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. Program staff conduct, guide, fund, and facilitate research, monitoring, and inventory of Species of Greatest Conservation Need and their associated habitats as identified in LDWF's Wildlife Action Plan.

LDWF's Wildlife Diversity Program staff use a centralized database to review proposed construction projects to identify potential impacts to rare, threatened, or endangered species and natural communities.

EXAMPLE REQUEST **To request a project review, submit a written request with the following information :**

- Detailed project description
- Map of exact project location and geographic extent (an ESRI shapefile projected in NAD83, UTM, Zone 15 is preferred, but a Google Earth kmz or kml file or a USGS 7.5-foot quad map with location and extent of project may be acceptable). A poorly detailed map will delay the project review.
- Review parameters (e.g. 1-mile radius of project boundary)
- Latitude/longitude and township, range, and section, if known.

**Send requests to Carolyn Michon via email to [cmichon@wlf.la.gov](mailto:cmichon@wlf.la.gov) or mail to:**

LDWF Wildlife Diversity Program  
Attn: Carolyn Michon, Assistant Wildlife Diversity Program Data Manager  
PO Box 98000  
Baton Rouge, LA 70898-9000

*There is a \$30 fee per quad reviewed for each project review. The client will receive an invoice and response letter with our findings. This information will be delivered via USPS or email.*

## 12. Wilderness Areas

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

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

CONTACT	David Byrd, Ecosystem, Conservation and Planning Staff Officer Tel: (318)-473-7059 Email: <a href="mailto:david.byrd@usda.gov">david.byrd@usda.gov</a>
NOTES	Although there are only three designated Wilderness Areas in Louisiana, only one is managed by this agency - Kisatchie Hills Wilderness Area. <u>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.</u> 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.
<b>FEDERAL AGENCY</b>	U. S. Department of the Interior U. S. Fish & Wildlife Service (USFWS) 200 Dulles Drive Lafayette, LA 70506
CONTACT	Joe A. Hodges Fish and Wildlife Biologist U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service Louisiana Ecological Services Mississippi-Basin Region 337.291.3109 (office) Email: <a href="mailto:joe_hodges@fws.gov">joe_hodges@fws.gov</a> <a href="http://www.fws.gov/southeast/lafayette">www.fws.gov/southeast/lafayette</a> or Amy Trahan Fish and Wildlife Biologist U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Louisiana Ecological Services Office Mississippi-Basin Region 337-291-3126 (Office) 337-291-3139 (Fax) <a href="mailto:amy_trahan@fws.gov">amy_trahan@fws.gov</a>
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 (Lacassine and Breton). The third is Kisatchie National Wilderness Area, but only the portion located in Natchitoches Parish is reviewed by this agency. <u>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.</u> 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.*

<b>LOCAL AGENCY CONTACT</b>	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.
<b>EXAMPLE REQUEST</b>	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

Although rarely required, a public hearing may be required in certain cases as part of the environmental review (see "[SIP Attachment C - Public Hearing Requirements](#)" 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	LA Department of Health (LDH)
AGENCY	Office of Public Health Engineering Services Drinking Water Revolving Loan Fund P.O. Box 4489 Baton Rouge, LA 70821-4489
CONTACT	Dan MacDonald, Deputy Chief Engineer of Infrastructure and Finance Tel: (225) 342-7499 / Fax: (225) 342-7303 Email: Dan.macdonald@la.gov

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