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SPECIAL PUBLIC NOTICE

LOUISIANA WETLAND RAPID ASSESSMENT METHOD (LRAM): A DISTRICT TOOL FOR CALCULATING COMPENSATORY MITIGATION REQUIREMENTS

The Corps of Engineers, New Orleans District (CEMVN) Regulatory Branch hereby releases an interim version of the "Louisiana Wetland Rapid Assessment Method" (LRAM) for use in calculating compensatory mitigation requirements from wetland impacts associated with activities permitted under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act and Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899. The LRAM Guidebook and associated spreadsheets are available on the RIBITS webpage at:

http://ribits.usace.army.mil

To navigate to LRAM, select "New Orleans" under Filter View for District and then click on the "Assessment Tools" navigation bar.

LRAM will be utilized by CEMVN for an interim period of one year. Following this interim period, a public notice will be released requesting comments for potential improvements to LRAM. Questions regarding this tool may be directed to Mr. Stephen Pfeffer at (504) 862-2099 (stephen.d.pfeffer@usace.army.mil) of the Regulatory Branch.

Sincerely,

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