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July 14, 2023

Regional Planning and Environment
Division South

Brigette Firmin
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
Field Office Supervisor
200 Dulles Drive
Lafayette, LA 70506

Dear Ms. Firmin:

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Bureau of Indian Affairs
Eastern Regional Office
Indian Affairs
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Nashville, TN 37214

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Charles Reulet
Interagency Affairs - LADNR
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Baton Rouge, LA 70804

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Craig Gothreaux
NOAA Fisheries – Southeast Region
Habitat Conservation Division
5757 Corporate Blvd., Suite 375
Baton Rouge, LA 70808

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Division South

Kevin Norton
State Conservationist - NRCS
3737 Government Street
Alexandria, LA 71302

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Kristin Sanders
State Historic Preservation Officer
LA Office of Cultural Development
P.O. Box 44247
Baton Rouge, LA 70804

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Robert Houston
FEMA – Region VI
Federal Center
800 North Loop 288
Denton, TX 76209

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Robert Houston
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Scott Guilliams
Louisiana Dept of Env Quality
Administrator of Water Permits Division
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Baton Rouge, LA 70821-4313

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Division South

Miles Croom
NMFS – Habitat Conservation Division
263 13th Avenue South
St. Petersburg, FL 33701

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