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Permit Application Number
MVN 2013-0883 EOO

State of Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality ATTN: Water Quality Certifications Post Office Box 4313 Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70821-4313

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Project Manager Jamie Phillippe WQC Application Number WQC 130725-02

Interested parties are hereby notified that a permit application has been received by the New Orleans District of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers pursuant to: [] Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of March 3, 1899 (30 Stat. 1151; 33 USC 403); and/or [X] Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (86 Stat. 816; 33 USC 1344).

Application has also been made to the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality, Water Quality Certifications, for a Water Quality Certification (WQC) in accordance with statutory authority contained in LRS30:2047 A(3), and provisions of Section 401 of the Clean Water Act (P.L.95-17).

Louisiana Highway 21 Widening in Covington, LA

NAME OF APPLICANT: Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development, ATTN: Naretta Wade, Post Office Box 94245, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804.

LOCATION OF WORK: A portion of Louisiana Highway 21 from Bootlegger Road to West 11th Ave. in Covington, Louisiana, Saint Tammany Parish, as shown on the enclosed drawings.

Latitude: 30.45848/Longitude: -90.13061; Hydrologic Unit Code: 08090201 – Liberty Bayou-Tchefuncte River

CHARACTER OF WORK: This project would widen LA 21 from two travel lanes with a continuous center turn lane to four 12 foot lanes with a 19 foot median. The existing span across the Tchefuncte River would be replaced with two new bridges. Project implementation includes excavating 28,960 cubic yards of material and hauling in 38,539 cubic yards of fill impacting 2.37 acres of jurisdictional wetlands (1.21 acres of temporary impact, 1.16 acres of permanent impact) and 0.56 acres of Waters of the U.S. The applicant has proposed to contract with a Corps approved mitigation bank to compensate for the unavoidable impacts to jurisdictional wetlands associated with the project.

The comment period for the Department of the Army Permit and the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality WQC will close **20 days** from the date of this joint public notice. Written comments, including suggestions for modifications or objections to the proposed work, stating reasons thereof, are being solicited from anyone having interest in this permit and/or this WQC request and must be mailed so as to be received before or by the last day of the comment period. Letters concerning the Corps of Engineers permit application must reference the applicant's name

and the Permit Application Number, and be mailed to the Corps of Engineers at the address above, ATTENTION: REGULATORY BRANCH. Similar letters concerning the Water Quality Certification must reference the applicant's name and the WQC Application number and be mailed to the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality at the address above. Individuals or parties may request an extension of time in which to comment on the proposed work by writing or e-mailing the Corps of Engineers Project Manager listed above. Any request must be specific and substantively supportive of the requested extension, and received by this office prior to the end of the initial comment period. The Section Chief will review the request and the requestor will be promptly notified of the decision to grant or deny the request. If granted, the time extension will be continuous to the initial comment period and, inclusive of the initial comment period, will not exceed a total of 30 calendar days.

The application for this proposed project is on file with the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality and may be examined during weekdays between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Copies may be obtained upon payment of costs of reproduction.

Corps of Engineers Permit Criteria

The decision whether to issue a permit will be based on an evaluation of the probable impacts, including cumulative impacts of the proposed activity on the public interest. That decision will reflect the national concern for both protection and utilization of important resources. The benefit which reasonably may be expected to accrue from the proposal must be balanced against its reasonably foreseeable detriments. All factors which may be relevant to the proposal will be considered including the cumulative effects thereof; among those are conservation, economics, aesthetics, general environmental concerns, wetlands, historic properties, fish and wildlife values, flood hazards, floodplain values, land use, navigation, shoreline erosion and accretion, recreation, water supply and conservation, water quality, energy needs, safety, food and fiber production, mineral needs, considerations of property ownership and, in general, the needs and welfare of the people.

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers is soliciting comments from the public, federal, state, and local agencies and officials, Indian Tribes, and other interested parties in order to consider and evaluate the impacts of this proposed activity. Any comments received will be considered by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to determine whether to make, modify, condition, or deny a permit for this proposal. To make this decision, comments are used to assess impacts on endangered species, historic properties, water quality, general environmental effects, and other public interest factors listed above. Comments are used in the preparation of an Environmental Assessment and/or an Environmental Impact Statement pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act. Comments are also used to determine the need for a public hearing and to determine the overall public interest of the proposed activity.

No properties listed on the National Register of Historic Places were identified near the proposed work. The possibility exists that the proposed work may damage or destroy presently unknown archeological, scientific, prehistorical, historical sites, or data. Copies of this notice are being sent to the State Archeologist and the State Historic Preservation Officer.

Our initial finding is that the proposed work is Not Likely to Adversely Affect any species listed as endangered by the U.S. Departments of Interior or Commerce, nor affect any habitat designated as critical to the survival and recovery of any endangered species.

This notice initiates the Essential Fish Habitat (EFH) consultation requirements of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act. The applicant's proposal would result in the destruction or alteration of **N/A** acres of EFH utilized by various life stages of red drum and penaeid shrimp. Our initial determination is that the proposed action would not have a substantial adverse impact on EFH or federally managed fisheries in the Gulf of Mexico. Our final determination relative

to project impacts and the need for mitigation measures is subject to review by and coordination with the National Marine Fisheries Service.

If the proposed work involves deposits of dredged or fill material into navigable waters, the evaluation of the probable impacts will include the application of guidelines established by the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency. Also, a certification that the proposed activity will not violate applicable water quality standards will be required from the Department of Environmental Quality, Water Quality Certifications, before a permit is issued.

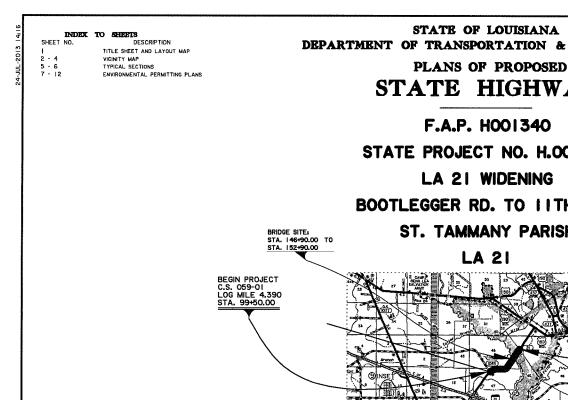
Any person may request, in writing, within the comment period specified in this notice, that a public hearing be held to consider this application. Requests for public hearings shall state, with particularity, the reasons for holding a public hearing.

The applicant has certified that the proposed activity described in the application complies with and will be conducted in a manner that is consistent with the Louisiana Coastal Resources Program. The Department of the Army permit will not be issued unless the applicant received approval or a waiver of the Coastal Use Permit by the Department of Natural Resources.

You are requested to communicate the information contained in this notice to any other parties whom you deem likely to have interest in the matter.

Michael V. Farabee Chief, Eastern Evaluation Section

Enclosure



TRAFFIC DATA 2013 A.D.T. • 29,300 2033 A.D.T. = 44,300 D * 55% K = 10% T = 11%

DESIGN SPEED - 45 M.P.H. ROADWAY CLASS - UA-2

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION & DEVELOPMENT

STATE HIGHWAY

F.A.P. H001340 STATE PROJECT NO. H.001340 LA 21 WIDENING BOOTLEGGER RD. TO 11TH AVE.

ST. TAMMANY PARISH

END PROJECT C.S. 059-01

LOG MILE 5.930 STA. 179+43.60

CONTROL SECTION

S.P. H.001340

LOG MILE

BEGIN END 4.39 5.93

VICINITY MAP

D.D.T.D. CHIEF ENGINEER

FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION

DATE	REVISION	DATE	RECOMMENDED	DATE	APPROVED
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TYPE OF CONSTRUCTION :

WIDEN LA 21 TO 4 LANE BOULEVARD WITH GRADING, EARTHWORK, SUPERPAVE ASPHALTIC CONCRETE, DRAINAGE STRUCTURES, TYPE IV CONCRETE GIRDER SPAN BRIDGE.

DATUM USED : NAVD 88

MAG. VAR. :

BEARINGS ARE : LOUISIANA STATE PLANE COORDINATES ZONE 1702

HORIZONTAL CONTROL

NAD B3 TRANSIT BOOKS : LEVEL BOOKS : ELECTRONICALLY DATA COLLECTED

PLAN : I" = 50' SHEET 4 TO SHEET B

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i" = 20' SHEET 9 TO SHEET 12 PROFILE : HOR, I" = 50' SHEET 4 TO SHEET B VERT. I" = 10" HOR. I" = 20' SHEET 9 TO SHEET 12

LAYOUT MAP

NOTE: THE 2006 EDITION OF THE LOUISIANA DDTD STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS FOR ROADS AND BRIDGES, AS AMENDED BY THE PROJECT SPECIFICATIONS, SHALL GOVERN ON THIS PROJECT

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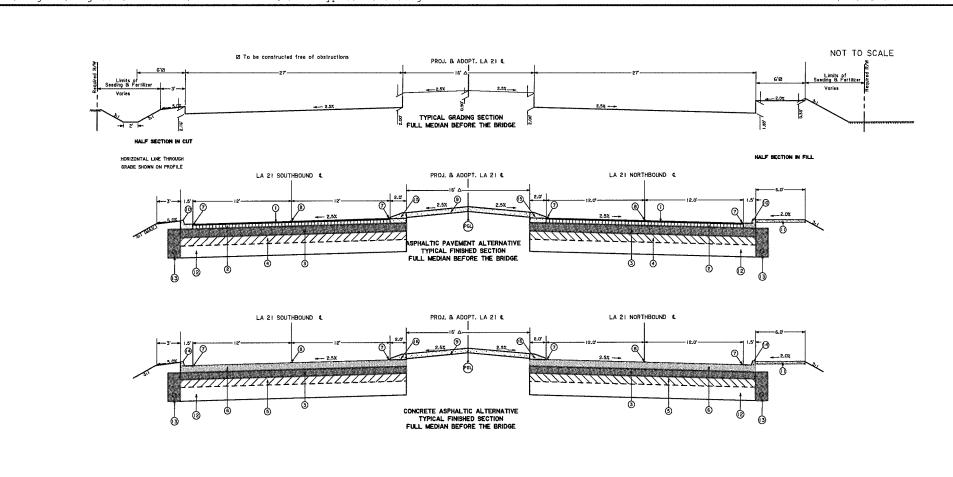
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- (1) 2' SUPERPAVE ASPHALTIC CONCRETE WEARING COURSE (LEVEL 2FIXTEM 502-01-00100)

 (2) 6' SUPERPAVE ASPHALTIC CONCRETE INDER COURSE (LEVEL 2FIXTEM 502-01-00100)

 (3) 4" CLASS II BASE COURSE (STONE OR RECYCLE PCCP) (ITEM 302-02-01000)

 (4) 6' CLASS II BASE COURSE (SOIL CEMENT) (ITEM 302-02-03020)

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 (8) 6' CLASS II BASE COURSE (SOIL CEMENT) (ITEM 302-02-03020)

 (9) 6' JOINTED PLAIN CONCRETE PAYEMENT

 (9) 6' SOINTET PAYEMENT STRIPHIG AND RELECTORIZED MARKERS

 (9) 6' TINTED A TEXTUREO CONCRETE MEDIAN

 (10) CONCRETE BARRIER CURB & GUTTER (ITEM 707-03-00100) (SEE SHEET 2n FOR CURB DETAIL)

 (11) 4" CONCRETE SIDEWALK (RT. SIDE)



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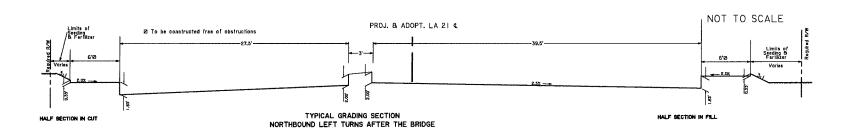
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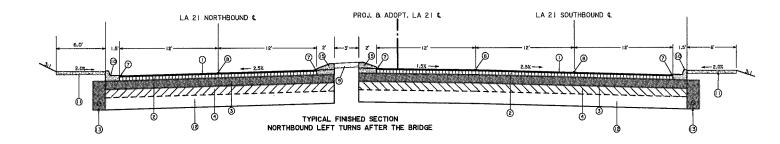


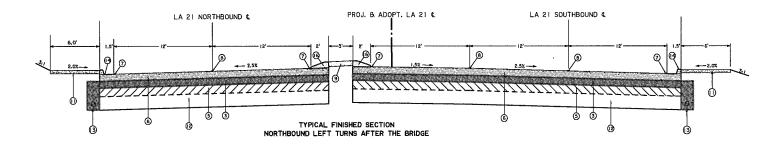
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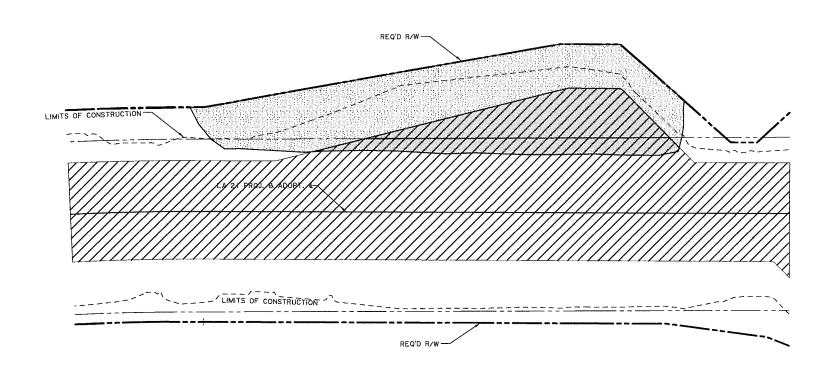


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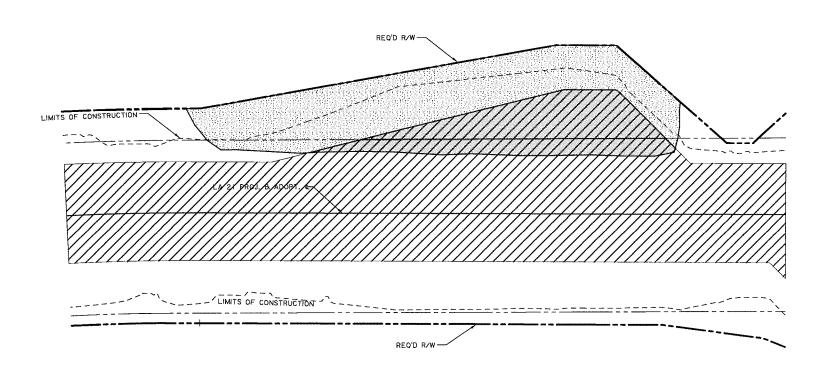
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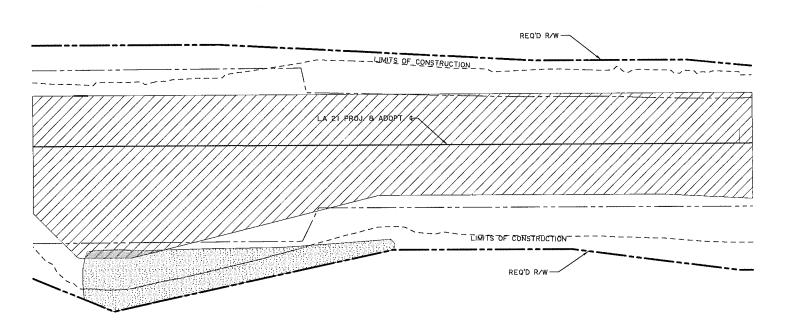
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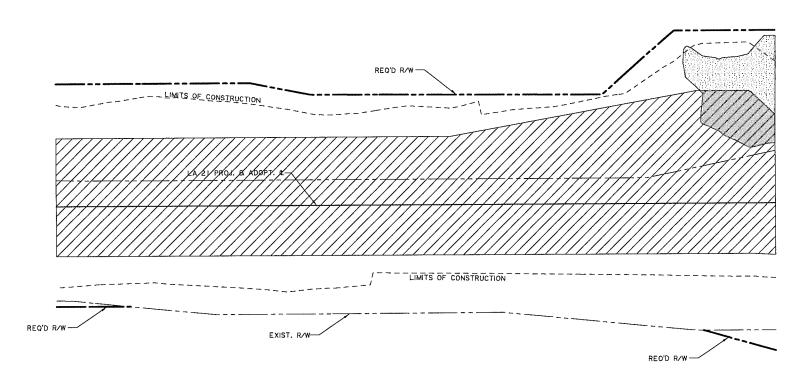
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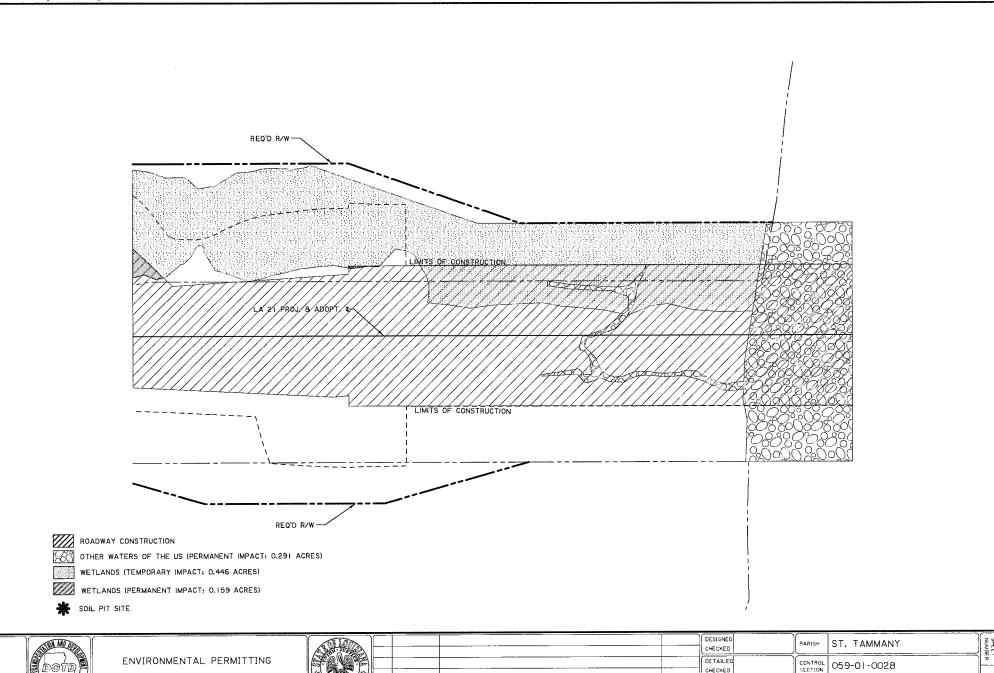
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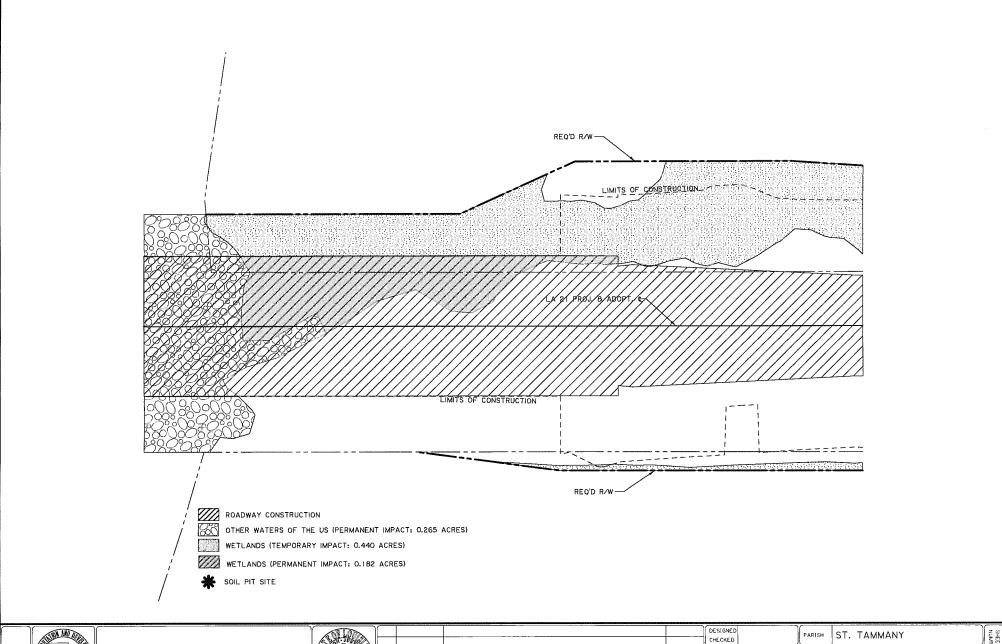
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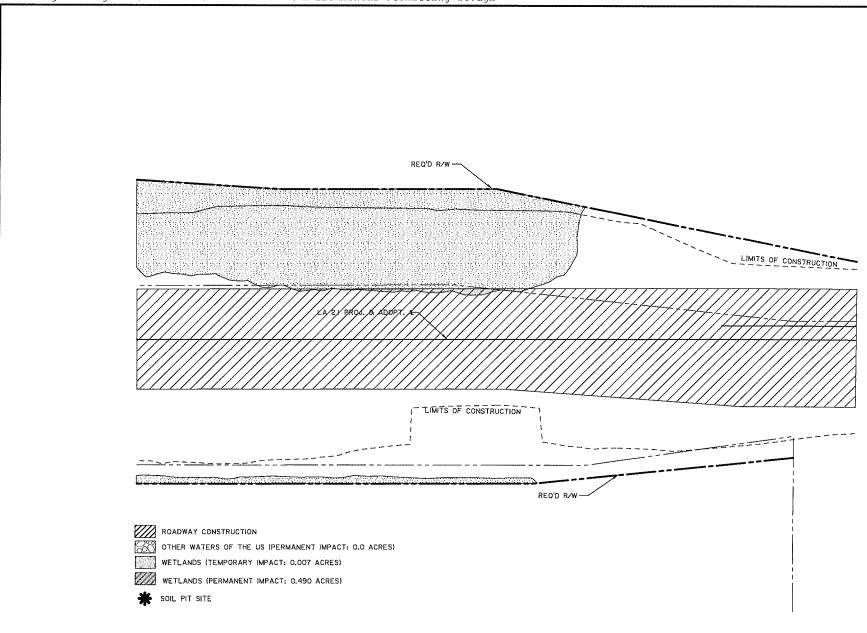


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