UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
PROGRAM PLANNING AND INTEGRATION
Silver Spring, Maryland 20910

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To All Interested Government Agencies and Public Groups:

Under the National Environmental Policy Act, an environmental review has been performed on the following action.

TITLE: Second Supplemental Finding of No Significant Impact for the Implementation of the Barataria Barrier Island Complex Project: Pass La Mer to Chaland Pass and Pelican Island

LOCATION: Plaquemines parish barrier island re-establishment at Pelican Island in eastern Barataria Bay

SUMMARY: The purpose of this project is to conduct construction, restoration and enhancement activities intended to re-establish barrier islands and back barrier marsh habitats in Plaquemines parish in the segment know as Pelican Island. The Project is funded by NOAA through the Coastal Wetlands Planning, Protection, and Restoration Act. A competitively solicited construction contract will be used to perform the barrier island and back barrier marsh restoration.

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The environmental review process led us to conclude that this action will not have a significant effect on the human environment. Therefore, an environmental impact statement will not be prepared. A copy of the finding of no significant impact (FONSI) including the supporting environmental assessment (EA) and Memorandum for the Record are enclosed for your information.

Although NOAA is not soliciting comments on this EA or FONSI, we will consider any comments submitted that would assist us in preparing future NEPA documents. Please submit any written comments to the responsible official named above.

Sincerely,

for Paul N. Doremus, Ph.D.
NOAA NEPA Coordinator

Enclosure

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