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**Department of Agriculture and Forestry
Office of Forestry
and
Department of Revenue
Tax Commission**

Timber Stumpage Values

The Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry, Office of Forestry, is hereby giving notice of the stumpage values that were adopted at the joint meeting of the Forestry Commission and Tax Commission held on December 13, 2004. The following stumpage values were adopted for the purpose of determining timber severance tax for calendar year 2005.

The Louisiana Forestry Commission, and the Louisiana Tax Commission, as required by R.S. 47:633, determined the following timber stumpage values based on current average stumpage market values to be used for severance tax computations for 2005.

Pine Saw Timber	\$326.62 per M Bd. Ft.	\$40.83 per Ton
All Hardwood and Cypress Saw Timber	\$313.48 per M Bd. Ft.	\$33.00 per Ton
Pine Chip-N-Saw	\$89.03 per Cord	\$32.97 per Ton
Pine Pulpwood	\$18.80 per Cord	\$ 6.96 per Ton
Hardwood Pulpwood	\$15.00 per Cord	\$ 5.26 per Ton

The regular severance tax rate is 2 1/4 percent of the above saw timber and chip-n-saw stumpage values and 5 percent of the above pulpwood values.

Effective Date: January 1-December 31, 2005

All other forest products (ties, poles, piling, veneer logs, etc.) to be computed by weight or scale. Saw timber values are based on the Doyle Log Rule and other values are based on a standard cord (128 cu. ft.). The following are conversion factors used.

MBF Pine Doyle Scale	= 16,000 lbs.	= 8.00 Tons
MBF Hardwood Doyle Scale	= 19,000 lbs.	= 9.50 Tons
C-N-S	= 5,400 lbs.	= 2.70 Tons
Cord Pine	= 5,400 lbs.	= 2.70 Tons
Cord Hardwood	= 5,700 lbs.	= 2.85 Tons

Bob Odom
Commissioner

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**Department of Agriculture and Forestry
Horticulture Commission**

Landscape Architect Registration Exam

The next landscape architect registration examination will be given June 13-14, 2005, beginning at 7:45 a.m. at the College of Design Building, Louisiana State University Campus, Baton Rouge, LA. The deadline for sending the application and fee is as follows.

New Candidates:	February 18, 2005
Re-Take Candidates:	March 4, 2005
Reciprocity Candidates:	April 29, 2005

Further information pertaining to the examinations may be obtained from Craig Roussel, Director, Horticulture Commission, P.O. Box 3596, Baton Rouge, LA 70821-3596, phone (225) 952-8100.

Any individual requesting special accommodations due to a disability should notify the office prior to February 18, 2005. Questions may be directed to (225) 952-8100.

Bob Odom
Commissioner

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**Department of Agriculture and Forestry
Structural Pest Control Commission**

Approved Termiticides and Manufacturers

The Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry, Office of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences is hereby giving notice of the list of termiticides and manufacturers, approved by the Structural Pest Control Commission, for use in Louisiana.

Approved Termiticides and Manufacturers		
Product	Percentage	Manufacturer
Bifenthrin TC (Bifenthrin)	0.06% - 0.12%	Control Solutions
Bifenthrin Termiticide/ Insecticide (Bifenthrin)	0.06% - 0.12%	Speckoz
Biflex TC (Bifenthrin)	0.06% - 0.12%	FMC
*Chlorpyrifos TC (Chlorpyrifos)	0.75% - 2.00%	Micro-Flo
Cyper TC (Cypermethrin)	0.25% - 1.00%	Control Solutions
*Cyren TC (Chlorpyrifos)	0.75% - 2.00%	Cheminova

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**Department of Environmental Quality
Office of Environmental Assessment
Air Quality Assessment Division**

**Baton Rouge Rate of Progress Demonstration
State Implementation Plan (SIP) Revision**

Under the authority of the Louisiana Environmental Quality Act, R.S. 30:2001 et seq., the secretary gives notice that the Office of Environmental Assessment, Air Quality Assessment Division, will submit a revision to the SIP for the five-parish Baton Rouge ozone nonattainment area to demonstrate that current control strategies are sufficient to achieve the required emission reductions of at least 3 percent per year from the baseline for the years 1999-2005. The Reasonable Further Progress or Rate of Progress Demonstration is required by Section 182(c) of the 1990 Clean Air Act Amendments.

A public hearing will be held at 1:30 p.m. on February 24, 2005, in the Galvez Building, Oliver Pollock Room C-111, 602 N. Fifth Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana. Interested persons are invited to attend and submit oral comments on the proposal. Should individuals with a disability need an accommodation in order to participate, please contact Vivian H. Aucoin at (225) 219-3575 or at the address listed below. Free parking is available across the street in the Galvez parking garage when the parking ticket is validated by department personnel at the hearing.

All interested persons are invited to submit written comments concerning this proposed SIP revision no later than 4:30 p.m., February 28, 2005, to Vivian H. Aucoin, Office of Environmental Assessment, Box 4314, Baton Rouge, LA 70821-4314 or to fax (225) 219-3582 or by e-mail to vivian.aucoin@la.gov.

A copy of the proposed SIP revision may be viewed from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. in the DEQ Public Records Center, Room 127, 602 N. Fifth Street, Baton Rouge, LA. An electronic version will be available at <http://www.deq.louisiana.gov/evaluation/ozone/index.htm>.

Wilbert F. Jordan, Jr.
Assistant Secretary

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Approved Termiticides and Manufacturers		
Product	Percentage	Manufacturer
Demon (Cypermethrin)	0.25% - 1.00%	Zeneca
Dragnet FT (Permethrin)	0.50% - 2.00%	FMC
Dragnet SFR (Permethrin)	0.50% - 2.00%	FMC
*Dursban 75WG (Chlorpyrifos)	0.75% - 2.00%	Dow AgroSciences
*Dursban TC (Chlorpyrifos)	0.75% - 2.00%	Dow AgroSciences
*Equity (Chlorpyrifos)	0.75% - 2.00%	Dow AgroSciences
Impasse Termite System (Lambda-cyhalothrin)		Syngenta
Impasse Termite Blocker (Lambda-cyhalothrin)		Syngenta
*Navigator 4TC (Chlorpyrifos)	0.75% - 2.00%	Gharda USA, Inc.
Permaster 380 (Permethrin)	0.50% - 2.00%	LG Chemical America Inc.
Permethrin SFR (Permethrin)	0.50% - 2.00%	Control Solutions
Permethrin TC (Permethrin)	0.50% - 2.00%	Micro-Flo
Phantom (Chlorfenapyr)	0.063% - 0.25%	BASF
Prelude (Torpedo) (Permethrin)	0.50% - 2.00%	Zeneca
Premise 75 (Imidacloprid)	0.05% - 0.10%	Bayer
Premise .05SC (Imidacloprid)	0.05% - 0.10%	Bayer
Premise II (Imidacloprid)	0.05% - 0.10%	Bayer
Premise Pre-construction (Imidacloprid)	0.05% - 0.10%	Bayer
**Premise Gel (Imidacloprid)	0.001%	Bayer
Prevail (Cypermethrin)	0.25% - 1.00%	FMC
Prevail TC (Cypermethrin)	0.30% - 0.60%	FMC
Prevail FT (Cypermethrin)	0.25% - 1.00%	FMC
Prevail Pretreat (Cypermethrin)	0.25% - 1.00%	FMC
***Pryfon 6	0.75%	Bayer
*Surrender (Chlorpyrifos)	0.75% - 2.00%	Solutions
Talstar (Bifenthrin)	0.06% - 0.12%	FMC
Talstar One Multi-Insecticide (Bifenthrin)	0.06% - 0.12%	FMC
Tengard SFR (Permethrin)	0.50% - 2.00%	United Phosphorus
*Tenure (Chlorpyrifos)	0.75% - 2.00%	Dow AgroSciences
Termidor (Fipronil)	0.06% - 0.125%	BASF
Termidor 80WG (Fipronil)	0.06% - 0.125%	BASF
Tribute (Benzenacetate)	0.50% - 1.00%	AgriEvo
NOTES: *Manufacture of all Chlorpyrifos products with approved label rates was discontinued as of December 31, 2001. **Premise Gel is approved for targeted (spot) application only. ***Use of Pryfon limited to supplies on hand, but its use is being phased out.		
BAITS (Not in Pilot Program)		
Recruit II (Hexaflumuron)		Dow AgroSciences
Recruit AG (Hexaflumuron)		Dow AgroSciences
FirstLine GTX Termite Bait Station (Sulflurimid)		FMC
FirstLine GT Termite Bait Station (Sulflurimid)		FMC
FirstLine Termite Bait Station (Sulflurimid)		FMC
FirstLine GT Plus (Sulflurimid)		FMC
Labyrinth (Diflubenzuron)		Ensystem
Labyrinth AC (Diflubenzuron)		Ensystem
BAITS (In Pilot Program)		
Subterfuge (Cyanamid) (Hydramethylon)	2/13/2002	BASF
Outpost TBR (Diflubenzuron)	2/13/2002	Bayer
Advance Compressed Termite Bait (Diflubenzuron)	10/2/2002	Whitmire Micro-Gen
Recruit III (Noviflumuron)	7/2/2003	Dow AgroSciences
Recruit III AG (Noviflumuron)	7/2/2003	Dow AgroSciences

Bob Odom
Commissioner

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**Department of Environmental Quality
Office of Environmental Assessment
Air Quality Assessment Division**

**Baton Rouge Vehicle Miles Traveled Offset Analysis
State Implementation Plan (SIP) Revision**

Under the authority of the Louisiana Environmental Quality Act, R.S. 30:2001 et seq., the secretary gives notice that the Office of Environmental Assessment, Air Quality Assessment Division, will submit a revision to the SIP for the five-parish Baton Rouge 1-hour ozone nonattainment area for the purpose of determining whether transportation control measures (TCMs) are required in the nonattainment area in order to offset growth in vehicle miles traveled. This SIP revision is required under Section 182(d)(1)(A) of the 1990 Clean Air Act Amendments.

A public hearing will be held at 1:30 p.m. on February 24, 2005, in the Galvez Building, Oliver Pollock Room C-111, 602 N. Fifth Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana. Interested persons are invited to attend and submit oral comments on the proposal. Should individuals with a disability need an accommodation in order to participate, please contact Vivian H. Aucoin at (225) 219-3575 or at the address listed below. Free parking is available across the street in the Galvez parking garage when the parking ticket is validated by department personnel at the hearing.

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Assistant Secretary

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**Department of Health and Hospitals
Board of Veterinary Medicine**

Board Nominations

The Louisiana Board of Veterinary Medicine announces that nominations for the position of Board Member will be taken by the Louisiana Veterinary Medical Association (LVMA) at the annual winter meeting to be held in late February 2005. Interested persons should submit the names of nominees directly to the LVMA as per R.S. 37:1515. It is

not necessary to be a member of the LVMA to be nominated. The LVMA may be contacted at (225) 928-5862.

Wendy D. Parrish
Administrative Director

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**Department of Natural Resources
Office of Conservation**

Orphaned Oilfield Sites

Office of Conservation records indicate that the Oilfield Sites listed in the table below have met the requirements as set forth by Section 91 of Act 404, R.S. 30:80 et seq., and as such are being declared Orphaned Oilfield Sites.

Operator	Field	District	Well Name	Well Number	Serial Number
A. J. Bradford	Big Creek	M	Hubbard	1	199050
A. J. Bradford	Big Creek	M	GR RA SUA;Ben S Pipes Jr	1	199334
A. J. Bradford	Big Creek	M	Hubbard	2	200478
A. J. Bradford	Big Creek	M	L Hubbard III	1	201771
E. B. Germany & Sons	Sibley	S	HOSS B SUR;Braswell	1	222007
Great Southern Oil & Gas Co., Inc.	Anse La Butte	L	Breaux et al	7	201390

James H. Welsh
Commissioner

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**Department of Social Services
Office of Community Services**

**2005 Louisiana Emergency Shelter Grants Program
Anticipated Funds Availability**

The Louisiana Department of Social Services (DSS) anticipates the availability of \$1,510,640 in grant funds for distribution to applicant units of local government under the 2005 Louisiana Emergency Shelter Grants Program (ESGP). Program funds are allocated to the state by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) through authorization by the Stewart B. McKinney Homeless Assistance Act, as amended. Funding available under the ESGP is dedicated for the rehabilitation, renovation or conversion of buildings for use as emergency shelters for the homeless, and for payment of certain operating costs and social services expenses in connection

with emergency shelter for the homeless. The Program also allows use of funding in homeless prevention activities as an adjunct to other eligible activities. As specified under current State ESGP policies, eligible applicants are limited to units of general local government for all parish jurisdictions and those municipal or city governmental units for jurisdictions with a minimum population of 10,000 according to recent census figures. Recipient units of local government may make all or part of grant amounts available to private nonprofit organizations for use in eligible activities.

Application packages for the State ESGP shall be issued by mail to the chief elected official of each qualifying unit of general local government. The application package can be viewed on the Internet at the following website: <http://www.dss.state.la.us/departments/dss/rfps.html>. In order to be considered for funding, applications must be received by DSS/Office of Community Services by 4 p.m., Friday, April 1, 2005.

Nonprofit organizations in qualifying jurisdictions which are interested in developing a project proposal for inclusion in an ESGP funding application should contact their respective unit of local government to advise of their interest. To be eligible for funding participation, a private nonprofit organization as defined by ESGP regulations must be one which is exempt from taxation under subtitle A of the Internal Revenue Code, has an accounting system and a voluntary board, and practices nondiscrimination in the provision of assistance.

To be eligible for funding, a project/organization must be a part of a Homeless Management Information System (HMIS). In areas of the state where HMIS is still in the process of development, a project/organization must be committed to and participating in HMIS development.

DSS will continue use of a geographic allocation formula in the distribution of the Louisiana ESGP funding to ensure that each region of the state is allotted a specified minimum of Louisiana ESGP assistance for eligible ESGP projects. Regional allocations for Louisiana's 2005 ESGP have been formulated based on factors for low-income populations in the parishes of each region according to U.S. Census Bureau data. Within each region, grant distribution shall be conducted through a competitive grant award process.

The following table lists the allocation factors and amounts for each region:

Region	Factor	Allocation
Region I New Orleans	.1537939	232,327
Region II Baton Rouge	.1210838	182,914
Region III Thibodaux	.0659078	99,563
Region IV Lafayette	.1537187	232,214
Region V Lake Charles	.0522069	78,866
Region VI Alexandria	.0714394	107,919
Region VII Shreveport	.1235570	186,650
Region VIII Monroe	.0950414	143,573
Region IX Northshore	.0751581	113,537
Region X Jefferson	.0880929	133,077

Regional funding amounts for which applications are not received shall be subject to statewide competitive award to applicants from other regions and/or shall be reallocated among other regions in accordance with formulations consistent with the above factors.

Grant awards shall be for a minimum of \$10,000. Applicable grant maximums are as follows:

* Individual grant awards to applicant jurisdictions of less than 49,000 population shall not exceed \$50,000.

* For a jurisdiction of over 49,000 population, the maximum grant award shall not exceed the ESGP allocation for that jurisdiction's respective region.

Grant specifications, minimum and maximum awards may be revised at DSS's discretion in consideration of individual applicant's needs, total program funding requests, and available funding. DSS reserves the right to negotiate the final grant amounts, component projects, and local match with all applicants to ensure judicious use of program funds.

Program applications must meet Louisiana's ESGP requirements and must demonstrate the means to assure compliance if the proposal is selected for funding. If, in the determination of DSS, an application fails to meet program purposes and standards, even if such application is the only eligible proposal submitted from a region or subregion, such application may be rejected *in toto*, or the proposed project(s) may be subject to alterations as deemed necessary by DSS to meet appropriate program standards.

Proposals accepted for review will be rated on a comparative basis based on information provided in grant applications. Award of grant amounts between competing applicants and/or proposed projects will be based upon the following selection criteria:

- Nature and extent of unmet need for emergency shelter, transitional housing and supportive services in the applicant's jurisdiction40 points
- The extent to which proposed activities will address needs for shelter and assistance and/or complete the development of a comprehensive system of services which will provide a continuum of care to assist homeless persons to achieve independent living30 points
- The ability of the applicant to carry out the proposed activities promptly.....15 points
- Coordination of the proposed project(s) with available community resources, so as to be able to match the needs of homeless persons with appropriate supportive services and assistance.....15 points

Louisiana's ESGP recipients are required to provide matching funds (including in-kind contributions) in an amount at least equal to its ESGP funding unless a jurisdiction has been granted an exemption in accordance with program provisions. The value of donated materials and buildings, voluntary activities and other in-kind contributions may be included with "hard cash" amounts in the calculation of matching funds. A local government grantee may comply with this requirement by providing the matching funds itself, or through provision by nonprofit recipients.

A recipient local government may at its option elect to use up to 2.439 percent of grant funding for costs directly related to administering grant assistance, or may allocate all grant amounts for eligible program activities. Program rules do not allow the use of ESGP funds for administrative costs of nonprofit subgrantees.

Availability of Louisiana's ESGP funding is subject to HUD's approval of the State's FY 2005 Consolidated Annual Action Plan for Housing and Community Development Programs. No expenditure authority or funding obligations shall be implied based on the information in this notice of funds availability.

Inquiries and comments regarding the 2005 Louisiana ESGP may be submitted in writing to the attention of the ESGP Coordinator at the Office of Community Services, Contracts and Eligibility Section, Box 3318, Baton Rouge, LA 70821, or telephone (225) 342-4583.

Ann Silverberg Williamson
Secretary

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Department of Transportation and Development Office of the General Counsel

Regulations for Control of Outdoor Advertising (LAC 70:III.Chapter 1)

Notice is hereby given, in accordance with the provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act, that the Department of Transportation and Development will hold a public hearing at 10 a.m., Wednesday, February 2, 2005, at the office of the Legal Section of the Department of Transportation and Development, 8545 United Plaza Boulevard, Suite 101, Baton Rouge, LA, for the purpose of receiving public comments on the proposed Rule entitled "Regulations for Control of Outdoor Advertising", as published in the *Louisiana Register*, Volume 30, Number 11, November 20, 2004.

All interested persons will be afforded an opportunity to present their views, data, arguments, information, or comments at said hearing.

Lawrence A. Durant
General Counsel

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Department of Wildlife and Fisheries Aquatic Invasive Species Task Force

State Management Plan for Aquatic Invasive Species in Louisiana

Public comment is hereby solicited on the *State Management Plan for Aquatic Invasive Species in Louisiana*. Comments are due on or before January 21, 2005.

The Louisiana Aquatic Invasive Species Task Force, chaired by the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, has completed the draft *State Management Plan for Aquatic Invasive Species in Louisiana*.

Invasive species are non-native organisms whose introductions cause or are likely to cause adverse environmental, economic, and/or human health impacts.

The task force has determined that invasive species pose a serious threat to the economic and ecological health of the state of Louisiana. This draft management plan describes the nature and extent of this potential threat and proposes specific actions toward addressing it.

The draft *State Management Plan for Aquatic Invasive Species in Louisiana* may be downloaded at <http://is.cbr.tulane.edu/LouisianaAIS.html>.

Public comments on the plan may be submitted anytime before January 21, 2005. All comments must be provided in writing to the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries by:

1. e-mail to Mr. Mark McElroy, mmcelroy@wlf.louisiana.gov; or
2. fax to Mr. Mark McElroy, 225-765-5176; or
3. mail to Mr. Mark McElroy, Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, Box 98000, Baton Rouge, LA 70898.

Mark G. McElroy
Chairman

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