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Department of Agriculture and Forestry Horticulture Commission

Landscape Architect Registration Exam

The next landscape architect registration examination will be given December 4-5, 2006, 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:	September 1, 2006
Re-Take Candidates:	September 22, 2006
Reciprocity Candidates:	November 10, 2006

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 September 2, 2006. Questions may be directed to (225) 952-8100.

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Department of Environmental Quality Office of the Secretary Legal Affairs Division

Extension of Comment Period and Supporting Documentation for Wetlands Assimilation, WQ068 (LAC 33:IX.1105, 1109, and 1113)

Under the authority of the Environmental Quality Act, R.S. 30:2001 et seq., and in accordance with the provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act, R.S. 49:950 et seq., the secretary gives notice that the comment period is being extended for the proposed amendments to the Water Quality regulations, LAC 33:IX.1105, 1109, and 1113 (Log #WQ068).

Supporting documentation concerning wetlands assimilation has been made available for proposed rule WQ068 at DEQ office locations listed below and on the Internet at www.deq.louisiana.gov under Rules and Regulations, as of September 11, 2006. The Notice of Intent for WQ068 was published on pages 1473 - 1476 of the August 20, 2006, issue of the *Louisiana Register*. The proposed rule will amend the water quality standards in LAC 33:IX.Chapter 11 to protect wetland areas that may receive treated wastewater effluent. A public hearing on the proposed rule will be held on September 26, 2006, at 1:30 p.m. in the Galvez Building, Oliver Pollock Conference Room, 602 N. Fifth Street, Baton Rouge, LA 70802. The

comment period for the proposed rule has been extended until October 11, 2006, to allow a 30-day review of the supporting documentation.

Written comments must be received no later than October 11, 2006, at 4:30 p.m., and should be sent to Judith A. Schuerman, Ph.D., Office of the Secretary, Legal Affairs Division, Box 4302, Baton Rouge, LA 70821-4302 or to fax (225) 219-3582 or by e-mail to judith.schuerman@la.gov. Copies of this proposed regulation and supporting documentation can be purchased by contacting the DEQ Public Records Center at (225) 219-3168. Check or money order is required in advance for all copies.

The regulation and supporting documentation are available for inspection at the following DEQ office locations from 8 a.m. until 4:30 p.m.: 602 N. Fifth Street, Baton Rouge, LA 70802; 1823 Highway 546, West Monroe, LA 71292; State Office Building, 1525 Fairfield Avenue, Shreveport, LA 71101; 1301 Gadwall Street, Lake Charles, LA 70615; 111 New Center Drive, Lafayette, LA 70508; 110 Barataria Street, Lockport, LA 70374; 645 N. Lotus Drive, Suite C, Mandeville, LA 70471.

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Department of Environmental Quality Office of the Secretary Legal Affairs Division

Request for Comments on Regulatory Permits

Act 115 of the 2006 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature authorized the Department of Environmental Quality to develop regulatory permits for certain air emissions and water discharges. Act 115 requires the secretary to consider which activities are appropriate for coverage under regulatory permits and to publish an initial list of such activities no later than January 1, 2007.

The department seeks written comments from interested parties regarding activities appropriate for consideration of coverage under regulatory permits as the required list is being developed. The comments may suggest activities or sources appropriate for regulatory permits, or those for which regulatory permits should not be considered.

Comments related to air emissions should be submitted to Cheryl Sonnier Nolan, Office of Environmental Services, Air Permits Division, Box 4313, Baton Rouge, LA 70821-4313.

Comments related to water discharges should be submitted to Lenny Young, Office of Environmental Services, Water Permits Division, Box 4313, Baton Rouge, LA 70821-4313.

Comments are due no later than 4:30 p.m., October 27, 2006. For further information, contact Cheryl Sonnier

Nolan, Office of Environmental Services, Air Permits Division, at 225-219-3010 or cheryl.nolan@la.gov.

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Department of Environmental Quality Office of the Secretary Legal Affairs Division

Section 111(d) Plan for Other Solid Waste Incineration (OSWI) Units

Under the authority of the Louisiana Environmental Quality Act, R.S. 30:2001 et seq., and in accordance with the provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act, R.S. 49:950 et seq., the secretary gives notice that the Office of Environmental Assessment, Air Quality Assessment Division, is proposing a Section 111(d) plan for Other Solid Waste Incineration (OSWI) Units in Louisiana.

Sections 111(d) and 129 of the Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990 require states to submit to EPA a plan which establishes performance standards for each category of combustion units that indicate the application of strict emissions controls known as maximum achievable control technology. EPA publishes guidelines to assist states with this plan. On December 16, 2005, EPA promulgated 40 CFR Part 60, Subpart EEEE, Standards of Performance for Other Solid Waste Incineration Units for Which Construction is Commenced After December 9, 2004, or for Which Modification or Reconstruction is Commenced on or After June 16, 2006, and Subpart FFFF, Emission Guidelines and Compliance Times for Other Solid Waste Incineration Units That Commenced Construction On or Before December 9, 2004 (70 FR 74870-74924). These federal regulations were incorporated by reference by the department into LAC 33:Part III in Rule AQ258ft, published on page 809 of the May 20, 2006, issue of the *Louisiana Register*. The public comment period for the proposed Section 111(d) plan that includes 40 CFR Part 60, Subpart FFFF, begins on September 20, 2006 and ends on October 25, 2006.

The public hearing for this proposed Section 111(d) plan will be held on October 25, 2006, at 1:30 p.m. in the Galvez Building, Oliver Pollock Conference Room, 602 N. Fifth Street, Baton Rouge, LA 70802. Interested persons are invited to attend and submit oral comments on the proposed 111(d) plan. Should individuals need an accommodation in order to participate, contact Jodie L. Alexis at the address given below or at (225) 219-3581. Parking in the Galvez Garage is free with a validated parking ticket.

Written comments concerning the Section 111(d) plan should be received no later than 4:30 p.m., October 25, 2006, and should be sent to Jodie L. Alexis, Office of Environmental Assessment, Box 4314, Baton Rouge, LA 70821-4314 or to FAX (225) 219-3582 or by e-mail to jodie.alexis@la.gov. The proposed Section 111(d) plan is available on the Internet at <http://www.deq.louisiana.gov/portal/tabid/2381/Default.aspx> under Louisiana SIP Revisions.

A copy of the plan may be viewed at the following DEQ office locations from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.: 602 N. Fifth Street, Baton Rouge, LA 70802; 1823 Highway 546, West Monroe, LA 71292; State Office Building, 1525 Fairfield Avenue, Shreveport, LA 71101; 1301 Gadwall Street, Lake Charles, LA 70615; 111 New Center Drive, Lafayette, LA 70508; 110 Barataria Street, Lockport, LA 70374; 645 N. Lotus Drive, Suite C, Mandeville, LA 70471.

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Office of the Governor Oil Spill Coordinator's Office

Draft Damage Assessment and Restoration Plan East Lake Palourde

Action: Notice of availability of a Draft Damage Assessment and Restoration Plan (Draft DARP) with a 30-day public review and comment period.

Agencies: Louisiana Oil Spill Coordinator's Office, Office of the Governor (LOSCO); Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality (LDEQ); and Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries (LDWF).

Authorities: The Oil Pollution Act of 1990 (OPA) (33 USC 2701 et seq.) and the Louisiana Oil Spill Prevention and Response Act of 1991 (OSPRA) (R.S. 30:2451 et seq.) are the principal federal and state statutes, respectively, authorizing federal and state agencies and tribal officials to act as natural resource trustees for the recovery of damages for injuries to trust resources and services resulting from oil-spill incidents in Louisiana. In accordance with OPA and OSPRA, the agencies listed above (hereafter referred to as the "Trustees") have conducted a Natural Resource Damage Assessment (NRDA) for the reported discharges of crude oil into the swamp of East Lake Palourde, Assumption Parish, Louisiana, on June 11, 2002 (hereafter referred to as the "incident"), in which Union Oil Company of California (Unocal) was identified by the Trustees as the Responsible Party.

Summary: Pursuant to 15 C.F.R. §990.23 and 15 C.F.R. §990.55(c) and LAC 43:XXIX, Chapter 1, notice is hereby given that a document entitled, "Draft Damage Assessment and Restoration Plan for Two Crude Oil Discharges Reported on June 11, 2002 into the Swamp of East Lake Palourde, Assumption Parish, Louisiana" will become available for public review and comment on September 20, 2006. The Draft DARP was prepared by the Trustees to address injuries to natural resources and services resulting from the incident. On March 20, 2004, the Trustees published a Notice of Intent (NOI) to conduct restoration planning in the *Louisiana Register* (Vol. 30, No. 03, pp. 702-704) for the incident in order to develop restoration alternatives that will restore, replace, rehabilitate, or acquire the equivalent of natural resources injured and/or natural resource services lost as a result of the incident. The Draft DARP identifies the natural resources and services that were

determined to be injured by the incident, describes the assessment procedures used to quantify injury, outlines the scaling techniques and restoration alternative selection process, and presents the proposed plan to restore, replace, or acquire resources or services equivalent to those lost as a basis for compensating the public for injuries to natural resources and services resulting from the incident. The Trustees will consider comments received during the public comment period before finalizing the DARP. Public review of the Draft DARP is consistent with all State and Federal laws and regulations that apply to the NRDA process, including Section 1006 of the Oil Pollution Act (OPA), 33 U.S.C. §2706; the regulations for NRDA under OPA, 15 C.F.R. Part 990; Section 2480 of the Louisiana Oil Spill Prevention and Response Act (OSPRA), R.S. 30:2480; and the regulations for NRDA under OSPRA, LAC 43:XXIX, Chapter 1.

Interested members of the public are invited to view the Draft DARP via the internet at <http://www.losco.state.la.us> (look under News Flash for East Lake Palourde Oil Spill) or by requesting a copy of the document from Gina Muhs Saizan at the address provided below:

Gina Muhs Saizan
Louisiana Oil Spill Coordinator's Office, Office of the Governor
150 Third Street, Suite 405
Baton Rouge, LA 70801
gina.saizan@la.gov

Comment Submittals: Comments must be submitted in writing or digitally to Gina Muhs Saizan on or before the end of the 30-day comment period.

For Further Information: Contact Gina Muhs Saizan at (225) 219-5800 or by email at gina.saizan@la.gov.

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**Department of Labor
Office of Workers' Compensation**

Weekly Compensation Benefit Limits

Pursuant to R.S. 23:1202 and based on the statewide average weekly wage as determined by the Department of Labor, the following limits shall apply to weekly compensation benefits for claimants injured during the period September 1, 2006 through August 31, 2007.

Average Weekly Wage	Maximum Compensation	Minimum Compensation	Mileage Reimbursement
\$637.19	\$478.00	\$127.00	40 cents per mile*

*Effective July 1, 2006, the mileage reimbursement is 40 cents per mile pursuant to R.S. 23:1203.D.

Karen Reiners Winfrey
Assistant Secretary/Secretary

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**POTPOURRI
Department of Labor
Office of Workers' Compensation**

Weekly Wage Rate

Pursuant to Act 583 of the Regular Session of the 1975 Louisiana Legislature, this state's average weekly wage upon which the maximum workers' compensation weekly benefit amount will be based, effective September 1, 2006 has been determined by the Department of Labor to be \$637.19.

This information updates R.S. 23:1202 of the Louisiana Workers' Compensation Act.

	Average Weekly Wage	Maximum Comp	Minimum Comp
Sept 1, 1985 - Aug 31, 1986	339.24	254.00	68.00
Sept 1, 1986 - Aug 31, 1987	347.65	261.00	70.00
Sept 1, 1987 - Aug 31, 1988	348.80	262.00	70.00
Sept 1, 1988 - Aug 31, 1989	356.40	267.00	71.00
Sept 1, 1989 - Aug 31, 1990	367.90	276.00	74.00
Sept 1, 1990 - Aug 31, 1991	376.02	282.00	75.00
Sept 1, 1991 - Aug 31, 1992	393.08	295.00	79.00
Sept 1, 1992 - Aug 31, 1993	409.30	307.00	82.00
Sept 1, 1993 - Aug 31, 1994	424.91	319.00	85.00
Sept 1, 1994 - Aug 31, 1995	430.21	323.00	86.00
Sept 1, 1995 - Aug 31, 1996	440.55	330.00	88.00
Sept 1, 1996 - Aug 31, 1997	454.67	341.00	91.00
Sept 1, 1997 - Aug 31, 1998	466.57	350.00	93.00
Sept 1, 1998 - Aug 31, 1999	489.95	367.00	98.00
Sept 1, 1999 - Aug 31, 2000	512.47	384.00	102.00
Sept 1, 2000 - Aug 31, 2001	517.93	388.00	104.00
Sept 1, 2001 - Aug 31, 2002	530.43	398.00	106.00
Sept 1, 2002 - Aug 31, 2003	554.31	416.00	111.00
Sept 1, 2003 - Aug 31, 2004	572.53	429.00	114.00
Sept 1, 2004 - Aug 31, 2005	584.40	438.00	117.00
Sept 1, 2005 - Aug 31, 2006	605.46	454.00	121.00
Sept 1, 2006 - Aug 31, 2007	637.19	478.00	127.00

Actual wages are to be paid if the wages are less than the minimum.

Approved "Mileage Rate" as of July 1, 2006 is 40 cents per mile.

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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
D & J Producing Company	Black Hawk	M	Peabody	002	213803
D & J Producing Company	Black Hawk	M	Peabody Swd	001	214315
D & J Producing Company	Black Hawk	M	Peabody	003	214328
D & J Producing Company	Five Mile Bayou	M	West Catfish Bayou Swd	002	123097
D & J Producing Company	Five Mile Bayou	M	Walker Suu; E W Ellis	015	124961
D & J Producing Company	Five Mile Bayou	M	Walker Suv; E W Ellis	017	125835
D & J Producing Company	Five Mile Bayou	M	E W Ellis	019	126612
D & J Producing Company	Five Mile Bayou	M	Minter B Sue; E W Ellis	026	156744
D & J Producing Company	Five Mile Bayou	M	E W Ellis	027	166675

Operator	Field	District	Well Name	Well Number	Serial Number
D & J Producing Company	Kincaid Bayou	M	E 5 Su29; Pinhook	002	84039
D & J Producing Company	Kincaid Bayou	M	White et al Swd	001	203892
D & J Producing Company	Kincaid Bayou	M	E 5 Su46; White et al	002	204281
D & J Producing Company	Kincaid Bayou	M	E 5 Su46; White et al	003-ALT	209900
D & J Producing Company	Kincaid Bayou	M	Pinhook Swd	006	971238
Magnolia Producers	Wildcat	S	Herndon	2	4639

James H. Welsh
Commissioner

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