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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 14-16, 1999, 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 26, 1999

Re-Take Candidates: March 12, 1999

Reciprocity Candidates: May 7, 1999

Further information pertaining to the examinations may be obtained from Craig Roussel, Director, Horticulture Commission, Box 3118, Baton Rouge, LA 70821-3118, phone (225) 925-7772.

Any individual requesting special accommodations due to a disability should notify the office prior to February 26, 1999. Questions may be directed to (225) 925-7772.

Bob Odom
Commissioner

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Department of Agriculture and Forestry Office of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences Advisory Commission on Pesticides

Pesticide Restrictions (LAC 7:XXIII.143)

The Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry is hereby giving notice that these permanent rules and regulations were adopted in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act R.S. 49:950 et seq. and R.S. 3:3203(A). The commissioner of Agriculture and Forestry adopted these rules and regulations as permanent rules which were published in the *Louisiana Register*, Volume 24, page 2076, November 20, 1998.

However, during the publication process the text from a declaration of emergency was inadvertently published with the permanent rules.

The purpose of this notice is to correct any confusion that may result from the inadvertent publication of a declaration of emergency with the publication of the permanent rules.

Any questions pertaining to these rules and regulations may be directed to Bobby Simoneaux at (225) 925-3763.

Bob Odom
Commissioner

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Department of Agriculture and Forestry Office of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences Boll Weevil Eradication Commission

Boll Weevil Eradication Hearing—1999 Assessment

The Boll Weevil Eradication Commission will hold an adjudicatory hearing beginning at 10:00 a.m., March 10, 1999 at the Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry, Commissioner's Conference Room, located at 5825 Florida Boulevard, Baton Rouge, LA, relative to the setting of the assessments levied upon cotton producers for each acre of cotton planted for the 1999 crop year pursuant to R.S. 3:1613 and LAC 7:XV.321. Said assessment shall not exceed \$35 per acre of cotton planted for 1999 in the Red River Eradication Zone and \$15 per acre of cotton planted for 1999 in the Louisiana Eradication Zone. Calculations made to date indicate that the assessments should not, in actuality, exceed \$10 per acre for the Red River Eradication Zone and \$15 per acre for the Louisiana Eradication Zone.

All interested persons are invited to attend and will be afforded an opportunity to participate in the adjudicatory hearing. Written comments will be accepted if received prior to March 9, 1999, P.O. Box 3118, Baton Rouge, LA 70821-3118.

Dan P. Logan, Jr.
Chairman

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Office of the Governor Oil Spill Coordinator's Office

Vermilion Parish Coastal Marsh Oil Spill

The Louisiana Oil Spill Coordinator (OSC), as the Lead Administrative Trustee, in consultation and agreement with the state Natural Resource Trustees, the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), Louisiana Department of Natural Resources (DNR), and the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries (WLF) has determined that the impacts of the discharge of crude oil reported on June 21, 1997 warrant conducting a natural resource damage assessment, which will include restoration planning.

On June 21, 1997, Apache Corporation notified the DEQ of an unauthorized discharge of crude oil from a subsurface pipeline in the Vermilion Block 16 pipeline located approximately three miles west of Freshwater City, Vermilion Parish, LA. Approximately six acres of marsh were oiled by the discharge that was burned on July 3, 1997. Original estimates of the discharge based on the surface area of impact

indicated a minimal discharge. However, following repair of the pipeline and further monitoring of the site, it was determined that the release probably resulted from a slow leak that occurred over time. U.S. Coast Guard records indicate that 2000 bbls of oil may have been released at the site.

The area is a predominantly brackish coastal marsh and is characterized by *Spartina alterniflora*, *Eleocharis spp.*, *Scirpus olneyi*, and *Spartina patens*. Water levels in the area impacted by the spill and burn are controlled by the landowner.

Pursuant to 33 U.S.C. §§2702 and 2706(c), the OSC and the Natural Resource Trustees of the State of Louisiana have authority to assess natural resource damages resulting from the incident.

The Trustees have jurisdiction to pursue restoration under 15 C.F.R. §990.41: an incident has occurred, as defined in 15 C.F.R. §990.30; the discharge was not permitted under state, federal, or local law or from a public vessel or from an onshore facility subject to the Trans-Alaska Pipeline Authority Act 43 U.S.C. 1651 et seq.; and natural resources under the trusteeship of the trustees listed above may have been, or may be, injured as a result of the incident.

Response actions have not adequately addressed, or are not expected to address, the injuries resulting from the incident.

The Trustees proceeded to preassessment, pursuant to 15 C.F.R. §990.41(b). Apache Corporation, at the invitation of the trustees, agreed to participate in and to provide funding for the preassessment.

The Trustees, in cooperation with the Apache Corporation, conducted vegetative and sediment sampling on March 31, 1998 and October 7, 1998. Natural resources and/or services injured as a result of the spill and spill response may include vegetation, water quality, sediment in fauna, and other components of the brackish coastal marsh. The marsh provides valuable habitat for wildlife and aquatic fauna.

Potential restoration actions relevant to the expected and observed injuries exist. Restoration options may include both primary restoration (replacement of lost natural resources and their services) and compensatory restoration (replacement of the equivalent of resources and services lost over time between the time of the spill and the time when restoration is judged to be complete). Primary restoration options include planting of impacted areas with coastal marsh vegetation. Compensatory restoration options include marsh management projects and vegetation enhancement projects.

Pursuant to 15 C.F.R. §990.14(d), the Trustees will seek public involvement in restoration planning for this spill through public review of and comment on the documents contained in the administrative record, which is available for review at the Louisiana Oil Spill Coordinator's Office, and on the draft and final restoration plans when they have been prepared.

For more information, please contact the Louisiana Oil Spill Coordinator's Office, 1885 Wooddale Blvd, 12th Floor, Baton Rouge, LA 70806; (225) 922-3230.

The Louisiana Oil Spill Coordinator, as the Lead Administrative Trustee, on behalf of the Natural Resource Trustees of the State of Louisiana: the DEQ, the DNR, and the WLF hereby provides Apache Corporation with this notice of intent to conduct restoration planning and invites their participation with the Natural Resource Trustees in restoration planning.

Roland J. Guidry
Oil Spill Coordinator

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Department of Health and Hospitals Board of Veterinary Medicine

Board Meeting Dates

The Louisiana Board of Veterinary Medicine is scheduled to meet on the following dates in 1999.

Wednesday, February 24, 1999
Wednesday, March 31, 1999
Wednesday, June 16, 1999
Thursday, August 19, 1999
Thursday, October 28, 1999
Thursday, December 2, 1999

These dates are subject to change, so please contact the board office at (225) 342-2176 to verify actual meeting dates.

Charles B. Mann
Executive Director

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Department of Health and Hospitals Board of Veterinary Medicine

Board Nominations

The 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. 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.

Charles B. Mann
Executive Director

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

Fee Schedule

Following are the fees charged by the Louisiana Board of Veterinary Medicine:

Annual Active Renewal Fee	\$ 125
Annual Inactive Renewal Fee	\$ 75
Renewal Late Fee	\$ 100
Renewal Late CE Fee	\$ 25
DVM Original License Fee	\$ 100
National Board Examination Fee	\$ 215
Clinical Competency Test Fee	\$ 190
State Board Examination Fee	\$ 125
Annual RVT Renewal Fee	\$ 25
RVT Late Renewal Fee	\$ 10
VTNE Examination Fee	\$ 125
RVT Original Certification Fee	\$ 25
Annual CAET Renewal Fee	\$ 25
CAET Late Renewal Fee	\$ 25
CAET Examination Fee	\$ 75
CAET Original Certification Fee	\$ 50
CAET Temporary Certification Fee	\$ 25

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Executive 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, La. R.S. 30:80 et seq., and as such are being declared Orphaned Oilfield Sites.

Operator	Field	Well Name	Well Number	Serial Number
Acadiana Gas Systems, Inc.	Fausse Pointe	SD C RA SUA; Hall Gonsoulin	001	211468

Acadiana Gas Systems, Inc.	Fausse Pointe	SD C RB SUA; Hall Gonsoulin	002	173848
Acadiana Gas Systems, Inc.	Lewisburg	F A DeJean	1-D	160839
Acadiana Gas Systems, Inc.	Lewisburg	Richard	001	158296
Acadiana Gas Systems, Inc.	Fausse Pointe	U SD B RA SUA; Shaw A	001	055172
Acadiana Gas Systems, Inc.	Niblett	Daniel Huval	001	214202
British-American Oil Prod. Co.	Deep Lake	SL 4207	001	105208
Equitable Petroleum Corp.	Monroe	Vernon D Ray WW	001	161548
Equitable Petroleum Corp.	Bayou Pigeon	U SUA;E H Peterman	2D	074254
Equitable Petroleum Corp.	Couba Island	SL 11136	001	195351
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Lyons Petroleum	Bayou Pigeon	Edward H Peterman	001	112170
R.M. Teel Prod., Bastrop Project	Monroe	Crosset T and D Co	002	003139
R. M. Teel Prod., Bastrop Project	Monroe	Freeland-Odom	002	022497

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Commissioner

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