

ABBREVIATED RECORD OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATION

See 44 Code of Federal Regulation Part 10.

Project Name/Number: Fire Station #95/PW 8473, Version 1/PA ID: 051-81165-00

Project Location: 1168 Avenue C, Westwego, Jefferson Parish, Louisiana 70094 (Latitude: 29.89764N, Longitude: 90.14955W)

Project Description: Heavy rains and high winds from Hurricane Katrina caused significant exterior and interior damage to the City of Westwego's Fire Station #95. Version 1 added additional scope of work pertaining to repairing the facility to pre-disaster condition. In addition, a Hazard Mitigation Proposal proposes to better secure the downspout by the use of stronger materials.

Documentation Requirements

- (Short version) All consultation and agreements implemented to comply with the National Historic Preservation Act, Endangered Species Act, and Executive Orders 11988, 11990 and 12898 are completed and no other laws apply. **(Review Concluded)**
- (Long version) All applicable laws and executive orders were reviewed. Additional information for compliance is attached to this REC and/or included in project files, as applicable.

National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) Determination

- Statutorily excluded from NEPA review. **(Review Concluded)**
- Programmatic Categorical Exclusion - **(Review Concluded)**
- Categorical Exclusion - Category
- No Extraordinary Circumstances exist.
Are project conditions required? Yes (see section V) No **(Review Concluded)**
- Extraordinary Circumstances exist (See Section IV).
 Extraordinary Circumstances mitigated. (See Section IV comments)
Are project conditions required? Yes (see section V) No **(Review Concluded)**
- Environmental Assessment
- Supplemental Environmental Assessment (Reference EA or PEA in comments)
- Environmental Impact Statement

Comments: This project meets the criteria for an Alternative Arrangement Permanent Police and Fire Stations type of project.

HISTORIC BUILDINGS AND STRUCTURES

- No historic properties that are listed or 45/50 years or older in project area. **(Review Concluded)**
- Building or structure listed or 45/50 years or older in project area and activity not exempt from review.
 Determination of No Historic Properties Affected (FEMA finding/SHPO/THPO concurrence on file)
Are project conditions required? Yes (see section V) No **(Review Concluded)**
- Determination of Historic Properties Affected (FEMA finding/SHPO/THPO concurrence on file)

- Property a National Historic Landmark and National Park Service was provided early notification during the consultation process. If not, explain in comments
- No Adverse Effect Determination (FEMA finding/SHPO/THPO concurrence on file). Are project conditions required? Yes (see section V) No **(Review Concluded)**
- Adverse Effect Determination (FEMA finding/SHPO/THPO concurrence on file)
 - Resolution of Adverse Effect completed. (MOA on file)
 - Are project conditions required Yes (see section V) No **(Review Concluded)**

Comments: This scope of work has been reviewed and meets the criteria in Appendix A, Programmatic Allowances, , items II-A2 (walls), II-C1 (doors), II-D2 (siding), II-E1(roofing), II-F2 (insulation), II-H (contents-equipment & furniture) of FEMA's Programmatic Agreement (PA) dated December 3, 2004. In accordance with the PA FEMA is not required to determine the National Register eligibility of properties where work performed meets the Appendix A criteria.

Correspondence/Consultation/References:

NHPA effect determinations made by Kathleen M. Bergeron, Historic Preservation Specialist.

ARCHEOLOGICAL RESOURCES

- Project affects only previously disturbed ground. **(Review Concluded)**
- Project affects undisturbed ground.
 - Project area has no potential for presence of archeological resources
 - Determination of no historic properties affected (FEMA finding/SHPO/THPO concurrence or consultation on file). **(Review Concluded)**
 - Project area has potential for presence of archeological resources
 - Determination of no historic properties affected (FEMA finding/SHPO/THPO concurrence on file)
 - Are project conditions required Yes (see section V) No **(Review Concluded)**
 - Determination of historic properties affected
 - NR eligible resources not present (FEMA finding/SHPO/THPO concurrence on file). Are project conditions required Yes (see section V) No **(Review Concluded)**
 - NR eligible resources present in project area. (FEMA finding/ SHPO/THPO concurrence on file)
 - No Adverse Effect Determination. (FEMA finding/ SHPO/THPO concurrence on file)
 - Are project conditions required? Yes (see section V) No **(Review Concluded)**
 - Adverse Effect Determination. (FEMA finding/ SHPO/THPO concurrence on file)
 - Resolution of Adverse Effect completed. (MOA on file)
 - Are project conditions required? Yes (see section V) No **(Review Concluded)**

Comments: Project Site is a developed structure. SOW includes no ground disturbing activities.

Correspondence/Consultation/References:

THREATENED AND ENDANGERED SPECIES

- No listed species and/or designated critical habitat present in areas affected directly or indirectly by the Federal action. **(Review Concluded)**

- Listed species and/or designated critical habitat present in the areas affected directly or indirectly by the Federal action.
- No effect to species or designated critical habitat. (See comments for justification)
Are project conditions required? Yes (see section V) No **(Review Concluded)**
 - May affect, but not likely to adversely affect species or designated critical habitat (FEMA determination/USFWS/NMFS concurrence on file) **(Review Concluded)**
Are project conditions required? Yes (see section V) No **(Review Concluded)**
 - Likely to adversely affect species or designated critical habitat
 - Formal consultation concluded. (Biological Assessment and Biological Opinion on file)
Are project conditions required? YES (see section V) NO **(Review Concluded)**

Comments:

Listed species habitat does not occur in or near this site, thus this project will have no effect to threatened or endangered species. Project is located in an urban or previously developed area. Neither listed species nor their habitat occur in or near this site, thus FEMA finds there will be no effect to threatened or endangered species.

Correspondence/Consultation/References:

Microsoft Streets and Trips, Photographs, PW descriptions..

E.O. 11988 – FLOODPLAINS

- No Effect on Floodplains/Flood levels and project outside Floodplain - **(Review Concluded)**
- Located in Floodplain or Effects on Floodplains/Flood levels
- No adverse effect on floodplain and not adversely affected by the floodplain. **(Review Concluded)**
Are project conditions required? Yes (see section V) No **(Review Concluded)**
 - Beneficial Effect on Floodplain Occupancy/Values **(Review Concluded)**.
 - Possible adverse effects associated with investment in floodplain, occupancy or modification of floodplain environment
 - 8 Step Process Complete - documentation on file
Are project conditions required? YES (see section V) NO **(Review Concluded)**

Comments: 08/11/06 - The City of Westwego is enrolled in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP), as of 12/28/1976. Per Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) Panel Number 22051C0020E dated 03/23/1995; site is located within an "AE" zone, area of 100-yr flooding, base flood elevation determined. Project is repair of building, including replacement of electrical components. Per 44 CFR 9.11 (d)(9), the replacement of building contents, materials and equipment, where appropriate, disaster proofing of the building and/or elimination of such future losses by relocation of those building contents, materials and equipment to or above the advisory base elevation

Correspondence/Consultation/References: Floodplains determination made by K. Roof, Floodplain Management Specialist.

E.O. 11990 – WETLANDS

- No Effects on Wetland(s) and project located outside Wetland(s) - **(Review Concluded)**
- Located in Wetland or effects Wetland(s)
- Beneficial Effect on Wetland - **(Review Concluded)**
 - Possible adverse effect associated with constructing in or near wetland
 - Review completed as part of floodplain review
 - 8 Step Process Complete - documentation on file
Are project conditions required? YES (see section V) NO **(Review Concluded)**

Comments: No wetlands were observed during site visit or determined to be present by checking the USFWS National Wetlands Inventory (NWI) maps.

Correspondence/Consultation/References:

USFWS NWI map accessed on-line (<http://wetlandsfws.er.usgs.gov/wtlnds/launch.html>) 8/15/2006.

E.O. 12898 - Environmental Justice For Low Income and Minority Populations

- No Low income or minority population in, near or affected by the project - **(Review Concluded)**
 Low income or minority population in or near project area
 No disproportionately high and adverse impact on low income or minority population- **(Review Concluded)**
 Disproportionately high or adverse effects on low income or minority population
Are project conditions required? YES (see section V) NO **(Review Concluded)**

Comments: This project will repair or replace facilities to pre-disaster condition and thus is not likely to have disproportionately high or adverse effects on low-income or minority populations.

Correspondence/Consultation/References: U.S. Census bureau 2000 data at <http://factfinder.census.gov>, referenced 8/15/2006.

OTHER RELEVANT LAWS AND ENVIRONMENTAL REGULATIONS

- No impacts to other substantive laws/Executive Orders identified. Review concluded.
 Other applicable substantive laws/Executive Orders. (Identify law/E.O. and conditions if any below).

Comments:

See Project Conditions Below

Correspondence/Consultation/Reference:

V. ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW PROJECT CONDITIONS

Project Conditions:

This project must comply with all conditions of the attached Programmatic Categorical Exclusion. In addition, the following conditions apply as a condition of FEMA funding reimbursement:

- Unusable equipment, debris and material shall be disposed of in an approved manner and location. In the event significant items (or evidence thereof) are discovered during implementation of the project applicant shall handle, manage, and dispose of petroleum products, hazardous materials and/or toxic waste in accordance to the requirements and to the satisfaction of the governing local, state and federal agencies
- This project is located within the Louisiana Coastal Management Zone. LA DNR has determined that receipt of federal assistance is consistent with the Louisiana Coastal Resource Program. Projects within the coastal zone may still require a coastal use permit or other authorization from DNR. Projects may be coordinated by contacting LA DNR at 1-800-267-4019.

- In accordance with the Formosan termite initiative act, (LA R.S.3:3391.1 thru 3391.13) the Louisiana parishes of Calcasieu, Cameron, Jefferson Davis, Orleans, Jefferson, Plaquemines, St. Bernard, St. Charles, St. John the Baptist, St. Tammany, Tangipahoa and Washington are under quarantine. The movement of wood or cellulose material, temporary housing or architectural components (e.g. beams, doors and other wood salvaged from a structure) may not leave the quarantined parishes without written authorization from the Commissioner of the Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry or his designee(s).
- The City of Westwego is enrolled in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP), as of 12/28/1976. Per Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) Panel Number 22051C0020E dated 03/23/1995; site is located within an "AE" zone, area of 100-yr flooding, base flood elevation determined. Project is repair of building, including replacement of electrical components. Per 44 CFR 9.11 (d)(9), the replacement of building contents, materials and equipment, where appropriate, disaster proofing of the building and/or elimination of such future losses by relocation of those building contents, materials and equipment to or above the advisory base elevation.

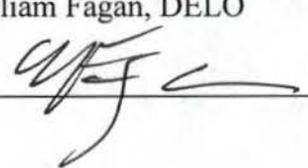
No extraordinary circumstances as described in 44 CFR 10.8(d)(3) were identified during project review.

REVIEWER AND APPROVALS

FEMA Environmental Reviewer.
Name: Michael Abrahm

Signature . Date August 15, 2006

FEMA Regional Environmental Officer or delegated approving official.
Name: Dr. William Fagan, DELO

Signature . Date 8/30/2006

PROJECT WORKSHEET REPORT

DECLARATION NO. FEMA-LA - DR1603

PREPARED DATE 06/26/2006

FIPS NO. 051-81165-00

REPORT DATE 08/16/2006 09:40

APPLICANT NAME WESTWEGO, CITY OF

SUBDIVISION

INF TYPE INF
 NON-INF
 REC

FEMA PW # 8473 VSN 1 REF# 8473V1

CATEGORY E. Public Buildings COUNTY JEFFERSON FUNDING OPTION COST SHARE 0.9

STD PROJECT NO. 599 PROJECT TITLE FIRE STATION #95

PROJECTED CMPLTN DT 02/28/2007 ACTUAL CMPLTN DT WORK COMPLETE AS OF 06/26/2006 : 0 %

ELIGIBILITY Yes AMOUNT ELIG \$20,293.84 FEDERAL SHARE \$18,264.46 PRIORITY Normal

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PREPARER SHARI R. C. STRICKLAND

PW REVIEWER DATA

INITIAL REVIEW	REVIEWER NAME	DATE
	JIANG, SHUN	08/11/2006

ROLE PO DATA SOURCE Paper

STATE

DATE OBLGTD PACKAGE DATE

PACKAGE ID

MT PROP Yes No
PNP QUESTIONS Yes No
ATTACH Yes No
VALIDATED Yes No
STATE RVWD Yes No

Does the Scope of Work change the pre-disaster conditions at the site? Yes No Unsure

Special Considerations issues included? Yes No Unsure

Is there insurance coverage on this facility? Yes No Unsure

Hazard Mitigation proposal included? Yes No Unsure