

PW-9183

# ABBREVIATED RECORD OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATION

See 44 Code of Federal Regulation Part 10.

**Project Name/Number:** St. Peter Claver Catholic Campus-Site Damage/PW #9183/000-UV6IX-00

**Project Location:** 1020 N Prieur Street, New Orleans, Louisiana, Orleans Parish, Latitude: 29.96832 Longitude: -90.07293.

**Project Description:** High winds, wind driven rain, and flooding from Hurricane Katrina caused catastrophic damage to the fencing, cementing block wall, exterior lighting, and playground equipment at the St. Peter Claver Catholic Campus. The scope of work includes removing and replacing one (1) pair of exterior flood lights with ballast and 1000 watt lamps mounted on a 20' high pole, 210 SF (6'H X 35'L), 672 SF (8'H X 84'L) of cedar fencing, replacing 480 SF (30'L X 8"H X 4'W) exterior concrete block privacy wall and cleaning playground equipment which was covered with debris from the flood water.

Hazard mitigation has proposed to replace the damaged walls using 6" wide cement block instead of 4" wide. #4 reinforcement steel bars will also be placed vertically within the wall spaced two feet apart. The proposed installations will improve the structural integrity of each wall and should prevent the wall from collapsing in future flood events.

## 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 Alternative Arrangement Permanent School. This project has conditions and requires Mitigation under the other Environmental and Historic Preservation Laws.

**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 (PA), Items (I-I) Lighting, (I-E), Fencing (Fencing), I-I (Lighting) in accordance with the PA, dated December 3, 2004. No known Archaeological sites or Historic properties will be affected by this undertaking. Any change to the approved scope of work will require resubmission for re-evaluation under Section 106.

**Correspondence/Consultation/References:** Consultation with Kathleen Bergeron, Cultural Resource 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:** No known Archaeological sites or Historic properties will be affected by this undertaking. All ground disturbing activities being performed in previously disturbed or archaeologically surveyed areas do not require Section 106 Review. This determination could change should new information come to the Louisiana SHPO'S office.

**Correspondence/Consultation/References:** Kathleen Bergeron, Cultural Resource Specialist

### **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:** Project will have no affect on Endangered Species. No further consultation required. USFWS emergency consultation provisions determined in letter dated September 15, 2005.

**Correspondence/Consultation/References:**

### **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:** The site is located in Zone "A3", area of 100-YR flooding, base flood elevations and flood hazard factors as determined.

**Correspondence/Consultation/References:** FEMA Flood Insurance Rate Map, Community Panel No. 2252030095E, revised 3/1/1984.

### **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:** Project scope will not cause the Destruction, Loss or Degradation of Wetlands.

**Correspondence/Consultation/References:** USFWS NWI map accessed on-line <http://wetlandsfws.er.usg.gov/wtlnds/launch.html> 6-29-06

**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:* The percent populations of 70116 are: 67.3% African America, 28.1 White and 3.1% Hispanic. The median household income in 1999 was \$ 27,133 and 23.7 % of families are below poverty level.  
*Correspondence/Consultation/References:* U.S. Census bureau 2000 data at <http://factfinder.census.gov>, referenced 6/13/2006.

**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:* **C.Z.M.A - Coastal Zone Management Act**  
 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 coordinated by contacting LA DNR at 1-800-267-4019.

**R.C.R.A. – Resource Conservation and Recovery Act**  
 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.

**F.T.I.A. Formosan Termite Initiative Act**  
 In accordance with the Formosan Termite Initiative Act, (LA R.S. 3:3391.1 through 3391.13) the Louisiana Parish of Orleans is under quarantine. The movement of wood or cellulose material, temporary housing or architectural components (e.g. beams, doors and other wood salvage from a structure) may not leave the quarantined parish without written authorization from the commissioner of the Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry or his designee(s).  
*Correspondence/Consultation/Reference:* None

**V. ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW PROJECT CONDITIONS**

**Project Conditions:**

In addition, the following conditions apply as a condition of FEMA funding reimbursement:

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

**REVIEWER AND APPROVALS**

FEMA Environmental Reviewer.

Name: Gloria Laynes, Environmental Specialist

Signature Gloria Laynes . Date 7-31-06 .

FEMA Regional Environmental Officer or delegated approving official.

Name: William Fagan

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