

**Appendix B**  
**Agency Coordination**



**FEMA**

November 13, 2015

Mr. Phillip E. Boggan II  
Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer  
Department of Culture, Recreation & Tourism  
P.O. Box 44247  
Baton Rouge LA 70804

**RE: Section 106 Review Consultation, Hurricane Gustav, FEMA-1786-DR-LA, project 174**

**Applicant:** Livingston Parish

**Undertaking:** Construction of a safe room and Sherriff's Office training facility at 29225 Woodside Dr., Walker, LA (30.487683, -90.829250)

**Determination:** No Historic Properties Affected

Dear Mr. Boggan:

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) will be providing funds authorized under the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, P.L. 93-288, as amended, in response to the following major Disaster Declaration:

FEMA-1786-DR-LA, dated October 29, 2008.

FEMA, through its 404 Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP), proposes to fund the above referenced Undertaking as requested by the Applicant. FEMA is initiating Section 106 review, in accordance with the Louisiana State-Specific Programmatic Agreement among FEMA, the Louisiana Governor's Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness (GOHSEP), the Louisiana State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO), the Alabama-Coushatta Tribe of Texas (ACTT), the Chitimacha Tribe of Louisiana (CTL), the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma (CNO), the Jena Band of Choctaw Indians (JBCI), the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians (MBCI), the Seminole Tribe of Florida (STF), and the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (ACHP) regarding FEMA's HMGP dated January 31<sup>st</sup>, 2011 (2011 LA HMGP PA) and providing the SHPO and Tribes with the opportunity to consult on the proposed Undertaking.

The applicant is proposing to construct a dual-use hurricane safe room on a parcel of vacant land, owned by Livingston Parish, at 29225 Woodside Drive Walker, LA next to the Parish landfill. The proposed dual-use safe room will be approximately 15,000 square feet and provide near-absolute life safety protection for an estimated 635 critical / essential services personnel during a hurricane. The facility will also serve as a first responder training center. The area of potential affect (APE) for the

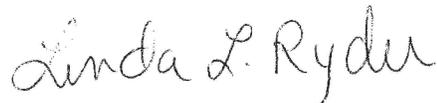
Undertaking includes the footprint of the building, parking area and access road for archaeology. Maps, drawings and photographs are attached.

FEMA conducted research using the Louisiana Division of Archaeology's Cultural Resource database and associated site files, photographs, maps and a site visit to identify historic properties. A Cultural Resources analysis and avoidance plan that included the subject APE was conducted in 2012 for the proposed South Lockhart 3-D Seismic Exploration survey (report 22-3974). The APE falls within a low probability area according to report 22-3974. The closest recorded archaeological site is over 4 miles away. The area is located in a recently cleared wooded area, across the street from some modern industrial buildings. There are no standing structures in the APE.

A FEMA Archeologist conducted a pedestrian survey of the APE, no cultural resources were noted and the ground appears to be previously disturbed by the installation of a retention pond, construction of a new workforce development building and the on-going construction of a new firing range. A layer of fill has been spread on the site from the excavation of the retention pond, no artifacts were noted in the recently spread fill.

FEMA has determined no historic properties will be affected by the proposed Undertaking. We look forward to your concurrence with this determination. Should you have any questions or need additional information regarding this Undertaking, please contact Amber Martinez [amber.martinez2@fema.dhs.gov](mailto:amber.martinez2@fema.dhs.gov) or Kathleen Bergeron at [kathleen.bergeron@fema.dhs.gov](mailto:kathleen.bergeron@fema.dhs.gov) .

Sincerely,



Linda L. Ryder, REM, CESCO  
Environmental Historic Preservation Team Lead  
Baton Rouge Processing Center

CC: File

Enclosures

No known historic properties will be affected by this undertaking. This effect determination could change should new information come to our attention.



Phil Boggan  
Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer

Date

02/24/2016

## Martinez, Amber

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**From:** Lindsey Bilyeu <lbilyeu@choctawnation.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, December 14, 2015 12:58 PM  
**To:** Martinez, Amber  
**Subject:** RE: Section 106 review FEMA HMGP 1786-174, Livingston Sherriff's Office safe room

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Ms. Martinez,

The Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma thanks FEMA for the correspondence regarding the above referenced project. Livingston Parish, LA lies in the Choctaw Nation's area of historic interest. The Choctaw Nation is unaware of any cultural or sacred sites located in the immediate project area. The Choctaw Nation Historic Preservation Department concurs with the finding of "no historic properties affected". However, we ask that work be stopped and our office contacted immediately in the event that Native American artifacts or human remains are encountered.

If you have any questions, please contact me.

Thank you,

Lindsey D. Bilyeu  
NHPA Senior Section 106 Reviewer  
Historic Preservation Department  
Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma  
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Durant, OK 74701  
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**From:** Martinez, Amber [<mailto:Amber.Martinez2@fema.dhs.gov>]  
**Sent:** Friday, November 13, 2015 2:51 PM  
**To:** Ian Thompson <[ithompson@choctawnation.com](mailto:ithompson@choctawnation.com)>; Lindsey Bilyeu <[lbilyeu@choctawnation.com](mailto:lbilyeu@choctawnation.com)>  
**Cc:** Ryder, Linda <[Linda.Ryder@fema.dhs.gov](mailto:Linda.Ryder@fema.dhs.gov)>; Bergeron, Kathleen <[Kathleen.Bergeron@fema.dhs.gov](mailto:Kathleen.Bergeron@fema.dhs.gov)>  
**Subject:** Section 106 review FEMA HMGP 1786-174, Livingston Sherriff's Office safe room

Dear Dr. Thompson:

The consultation documents for the above referenced Undertaking are attached for review. We look forward to your response within the 30 days provided by the regulations.

Respectfully,

**Amber Martinez**  
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## Martinez, Amber

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**From:** Section106 <Section106@mcn-nsn.gov>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, December 16, 2015 12:25 PM  
**To:** Martinez, Amber  
**Subject:** RE: U.S. Department of Homeland Security, FEMA, Section 106 review FEMA HMGP 1786-174, Livingston Sherriff's Office safe room, Walker, Livingston Parish, LA

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December 16, 2015

Ms. Amber Martinez  
FEMA Historic Preservation Specialist  
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Ms. Martinez

Thank you for the correspondence regarding the proposed construction of a safe room and Sheriff's Office Training Facility in Walker, LA. Portions of Louisiana Parishes are within the historic area of interest to the Muscogee (Creek) Nation. Upon closer review of the specific project location, this project does not lie within our area of interest. We respectfully defer to the other Tribes that have been contacted. If you have any further questions or concerns, please give us a call.

Thank You,

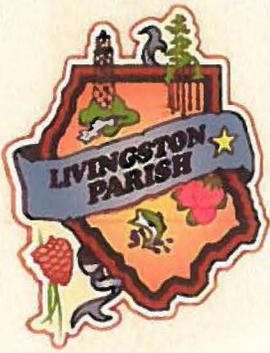
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**Federal and state agencies, museums, and consulting partners, as of October 1, 2015 please send all Section 106 project notices as well as all NAGPRA notices to our new [section106@mcn-nsn.gov](mailto:section106@mcn-nsn.gov). Notices concerning these projects will no longer be sent to individual staff member's emails. We will be accepting and responding using the new Section 106 email. If you have any questions, please give us a call at 918-732-7733.**

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**From:** Martinez, Amber [<mailto:Amber.Martinez2@fema.dhs.gov>]  
**Sent:** Friday, November 13, 2015 2:59 PM  
**To:** Section106  
**Cc:** Ryder, Linda; Bergeron, Kathleen  
**Subject:** Section 106 review FEMA HMGP 1786-174, Livingston Sherriff's Office safe room

Dear Mr. Spain;



# LIVINGSTON PARISH BUILDING DEPARTMENT

LAYTON RICKS  
PARISH PRESIDENT

MIKE HUGHES  
CHIEF OF STAFF

CHARLES (CHUCK) VINCENT  
BUILDING OFFICIAL

March 10, 2015

LOHSEP  
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**RE: Proposed Community Safe Room/Project Reference ID 4098**

**Attn: Jeffrey Giering**

**SUBJECT: SOLICITATION OF VIEWS**

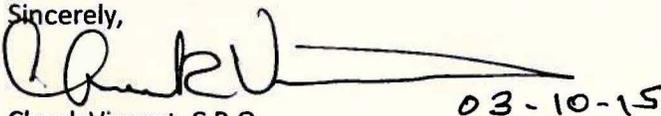
To Whom It May Concern:

This letter addresses your request for any floodplain comments or concerns the Parish might have with the construction of the above referenced state project.

Being the Floodplain Manager for Livingston Parish, I do not foresee any effect the construction will have on the floodplain areas, as long as the rivers, creeks and drainage ditches do not get blocked or choked down due to erosion silting or construction debris.

If further documentation is needed, please contact me at (225) 686-3021.

Sincerely,



03-10-15

Chuck Vincent, C.B.O.  
Floodplain Manager

CV/dd





- ? Any renovation or remodeling must comply with LAC 33:III.Chapter 28, Lead-Based Paint Activities; LAC 33:III.Chapter 27, Asbestos-Containing Materials in Schools and State Buildings (includes all training and accreditation); and LAC 33:III.5151, Emission Standard for Asbestos for any renovations or demolitions.
- ? If any solid or hazardous wastes, or soils and/or groundwater contaminated with hazardous constituents are encountered during the project, notification to LDEQ's Single-Point-of-Contact (SPOC) at (225) 219-3640 is required. Additionally, precautions should be taken to protect workers from these hazardous constituents.

**Currently, Livingston Parish is classified as nonattainment with the National Ambient Air Quality Standards. However, since your general conformity determination shows that the proposed VOC and NOx emissions will be less than the *de minimis* levels, the Department has no objections to implementation of this project.**

Please send all future requests to my attention. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (225) 219-3954 or by email at [linda.hardy@la.gov](mailto:linda.hardy@la.gov).

Sincerely,

*Linda M. Hardy*

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February 19, 2015

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RE: 150121/0085                      Livingston Parish Community Safe Room 30.487683, -90.829250  
FEMA-GOHSEP Funding  
Livingston Parish

Dear Ms. Kline:

The Assessment Division of the Office of Environmental Compliance has reviewed the information provided in your letter received on December 29, 2014, regarding the referenced project. Effective July 20, 2012, Livingston Parish was designated by EPA as an ozone nonattainment parish under the 8-hour standard (77 FR 30088, May 21, 2012). As part of the Baton Rouge ozone nonattainment area, federal activities proposed in Livingston Parish may be subject to the State's general conformity regulations as promulgated under LAC 33:III.Chapter 14, Subchapter A, *Determining Conformity of General Federal Actions to State or Federal Implementation Plans*.

In order to determine if the proposed project in Livingston Parish is subject to the full requirements of the general conformity regulations, the project sponsor must first make a general conformity applicability determination. This determination can be made by summing the total of direct and indirect volatile organic compound (VOC) and nitrogen oxide (NOx) emissions caused by the project. If the net total of VOC and NOx emissions is determined to be less than the prescribed *de minimis* level of 100 tons per year per pollutant, then this action will comply with the conformity provisions of Louisiana's State Implementation Plan (SIP) and the Assessment Division will not object to implementation of the project.

Please email your general conformity applicability determination to [linda.hardy@la.gov](mailto:linda.hardy@la.gov). Should you have any questions regarding state rules and regulations pertaining to general conformity, please contact me at (225) 219-3803. Thank you for affording us the opportunity to comment on the proposed action.

Sincerely,

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Environmental Senior Scientist  
Assessment Division

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