

Custom Soil Resource Report

MAP LEGEND

Area of Interest (AOI)			Very Stony Spot
	Area of Interest (AOI)		Wet Spot
Soils			Other
	Soil Map Units	Special Line Features	
Special Point Features			Gully
	Blowout		Short Steep Slope
	Borrow Pit		Other
	Clay Spot	Political Features	
	Closed Depression		Cities
	Gravel Pit	Water Features	
	Gravelly Spot		Oceans
	Landfill		Streams and Canals
	Lava Flow	Transportation	
	Marsh or swamp		Rails
	Mine or Quarry		Interstate Highways
	Miscellaneous Water		US Routes
	Perennial Water		Major Roads
	Rock Outcrop		Local Roads
	Saline Spot		
	Sandy Spot		
	Severely Eroded Spot		
	Sinkhole		
	Slide or Slip		
	Sodic Spot		
	Spoil Area		
	Stony Spot		

MAP INFORMATION

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Map Unit Legend

Jefferson Parish, Louisiana (LA051)			
Map Unit Symbol	Map Unit Name	Acres in AOI	Percent of AOI
Ka	Kenner muck, drained	1.6	100.0%
Totals for Area of Interest		1.6	100.0%

Map Unit Descriptions

The map units delineated on the detailed soil maps in a soil survey represent the soils or miscellaneous areas in the survey area. The map unit descriptions, along with the maps, can be used to determine the composition and properties of a unit.

A map unit delineation on a soil map represents an area dominated by one or more major kinds of soil or miscellaneous areas. A map unit is identified and named according to the taxonomic classification of the dominant soils. Within a taxonomic class there are precisely defined limits for the properties of the soils. On the landscape, however, the soils are natural phenomena, and they have the characteristic variability of all natural phenomena. Thus, the range of some observed properties may extend beyond the limits defined for a taxonomic class. Areas of soils of a single taxonomic class rarely, if ever, can be mapped without including areas of other taxonomic classes. Consequently, every map unit is made up of the soils or miscellaneous areas for which it is named and some minor components that belong to taxonomic classes other than those of the major soils.

Most minor soils have properties similar to those of the dominant soil or soils in the map unit, and thus they do not affect use and management. These are called noncontrasting, or similar, components. They may or may not be mentioned in a particular map unit description. Other minor components, however, have properties and behavioral characteristics divergent enough to affect use or to require different management. These are called contrasting, or dissimilar, components. They generally are in small areas and could not be mapped separately because of the scale used. Some small areas of strongly contrasting soils or miscellaneous areas are identified by a special symbol on the maps. If included in the database for a given area, the contrasting minor components are identified in the map unit descriptions along with some characteristics of each. A few areas of minor components may not have been observed, and consequently they are not mentioned in the descriptions, especially where the pattern was so complex that it was impractical to make enough observations to identify all the soils and miscellaneous areas on the landscape.

The presence of minor components in a map unit in no way diminishes the usefulness or accuracy of the data. The objective of mapping is not to delineate pure taxonomic classes but rather to separate the landscape into landforms or landform segments that have similar use and management requirements. The delineation of such segments on the map provides sufficient information for the development of resource plans. If intensive use of small areas is planned, however, onsite investigation is needed to define and locate the soils and miscellaneous areas.

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An identifying symbol precedes the map unit name in the map unit descriptions. Each description includes general facts about the unit and gives important soil properties and qualities.

Soils that have profiles that are almost alike make up a *soil series*. Except for differences in texture of the surface layer, all the soils of a series have major horizons that are similar in composition, thickness, and arrangement.

Soils of one series can differ in texture of the surface layer, slope, stoniness, salinity, degree of erosion, and other characteristics that affect their use. On the basis of such differences, a soil series is divided into *soil phases*. Most of the areas shown on the detailed soil maps are phases of soil series. The name of a soil phase commonly indicates a feature that affects use or management. For example, Alpha silt loam, 0 to 2 percent slopes, is a phase of the Alpha series.

Some map units are made up of two or more major soils or miscellaneous areas. These map units are complexes, associations, or undifferentiated groups.

A *complex* consists of two or more soils or miscellaneous areas in such an intricate pattern or in such small areas that they cannot be shown separately on the maps. The pattern and proportion of the soils or miscellaneous areas are somewhat similar in all areas. Alpha-Beta complex, 0 to 6 percent slopes, is an example.

An *association* is made up of two or more geographically associated soils or miscellaneous areas that are shown as one unit on the maps. Because of present or anticipated uses of the map units in the survey area, it was not considered practical or necessary to map the soils or miscellaneous areas separately. The pattern and relative proportion of the soils or miscellaneous areas are somewhat similar. Alpha-Beta association, 0 to 2 percent slopes, is an example.

An *undifferentiated group* is made up of two or more soils or miscellaneous areas that could be mapped individually but are mapped as one unit because similar interpretations can be made for use and management. The pattern and proportion of the soils or miscellaneous areas in a mapped area are not uniform. An area can be made up of only one of the major soils or miscellaneous areas, or it can be made up of all of them. Alpha and Beta soils, 0 to 2 percent slopes, is an example.

Some surveys include *miscellaneous areas*. Such areas have little or no soil material and support little or no vegetation. Rock outcrop is an example.

Jefferson Parish, Louisiana

Ka—Kenner muck, drained

Map Unit Setting

Elevation: 0 feet

Mean annual precipitation: 51 to 72 inches

Mean annual air temperature: 59 to 77 degrees F

Frost-free period: 265 to 315 days

Map Unit Composition

Kenner and similar soils: 85 percent

Description of Kenner

Setting

Landform: Marshes

Down-slope shape: Linear

Across-slope shape: Linear

Parent material: Herbaceous organic material over fluid clayey alluvium

Properties and qualities

Slope: 0 to 1 percent

Depth to restrictive feature: More than 80 inches

Drainage class: Poorly drained

Capacity of the most limiting layer to transmit water (Ksat): High to very high (2.00 to 20.00 in/hr)

Depth to water table: About 12 to 48 inches

Frequency of flooding: Rare

Frequency of ponding: None

Maximum salinity: Nonsaline to very slightly saline (0.0 to 4.0 mmhos/cm)

Available water capacity: Very high (about 20.9 inches)

Interpretive groups

Land capability (nonirrigated): 4w

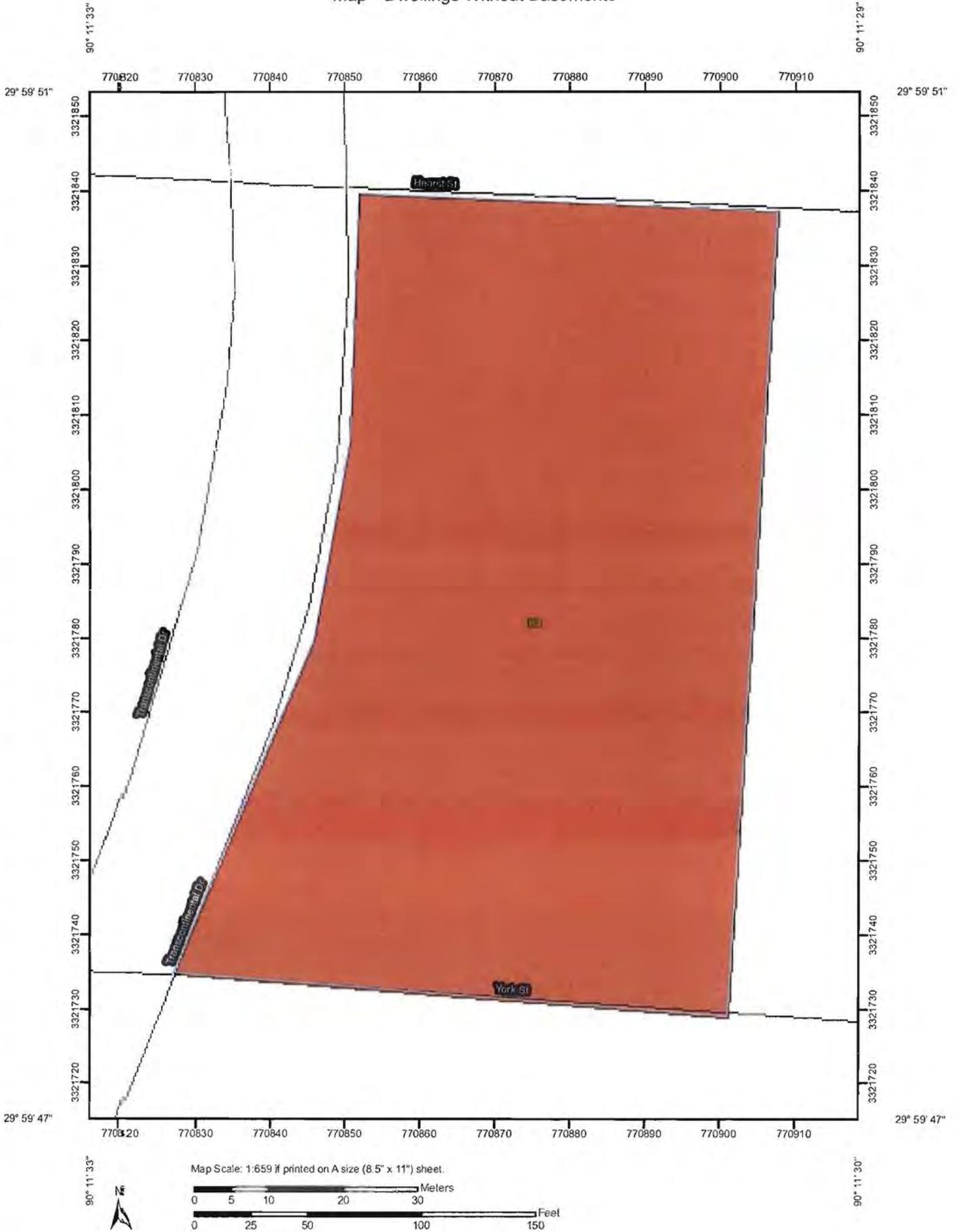
Typical profile

0 to 3 inches: Muck

3 to 48 inches: Muck

48 to 96 inches: Muck

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Map—Dwellings Without Basements



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Area of Interest (AOI)

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Soils

 Soil Map Units

Soil Ratings

 Very limited

 Somewhat limited

 Not limited

 Not rated or not available

Political Features

 Cities

Water Features

 Oceans

 Streams and Canals

Transportation

 Rails

 Interstate Highways

 US Routes

 Major Roads

 Local Roads

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Tables—Dwellings Without Basements

Dwellings Without Basements— Summary by Map Unit — Jefferson Parish, Louisiana						
Map unit symbol	Map unit name	Rating	Component name (percent)	Rating reasons (numeric values)	Acres in AOI	Percent of AOI
Ka	Kenner muck, drained	Very limited	Kenner (85%)	Subsidence (1.00)	1.6	100.0%
				Flooding (1.00)		
				Organic matter content (1.00)		
Totals for Area of Interest					1.6	100.0%

Dwellings Without Basements— Summary by Rating Value		
Rating	Acres In AOI	Percent of AOI
Very limited	1.6	100.0%
Totals for Area of Interest	1.6	100.0%

Rating Options—Dwellings Without Basements

Aggregation Method: Dominant Condition

Component Percent Cutoff: None Specified

Tie-break Rule: Higher

Land Classifications

Land Classifications are specified land use and management groupings that are assigned to soil areas because combinations of soil have similar behavior for specified practices. Most are based on soil properties and other factors that directly influence the specific use of the soil. Example classifications include ecological site classification, farmland classification, irrigated and nonirrigated land capability classification, and hydric rating.

Hydric Rating by Map Unit

This rating indicates the proportion of map units that meets the criteria for hydric soils. Map units are composed of one or more map unit components or soil types, each of which is rated as hydric soil or not hydric. Map units that are made up dominantly of hydric soils may have small areas of minor nonhydric components in the higher positions on the landform, and map units that are made up dominantly of nonhydric soils may have small areas of minor hydric components in the lower positions on the landform. Each map unit is designated as "all hydric," "partially hydric," "not hydric," or "unknown hydric," depending on the rating of its respective components.

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"All hydric" means that all components listed for a given map unit are rated as being hydric, while "not hydric" means that all components are rated as not hydric. "Partially hydric" means that at least one component of the map unit is rated as hydric, and at least one component is rated as not hydric. "Unknown hydric" indicates that at least one component is not rated so a definitive rating for the map unit cannot be made.

Hydric soils are defined by the National Technical Committee for Hydric Soils (NTCHS) as soils that formed under conditions of saturation, flooding, or ponding long enough during the growing season to develop anaerobic conditions in the upper part (Federal Register, 1994). Under natural conditions, these soils are either saturated or inundated long enough during the growing season to support the growth and reproduction of hydrophytic vegetation.

The NTCHS definition identifies general soil properties that are associated with wetness. In order to determine whether a specific soil is a hydric soil or nonhydric soil, however, more specific information, such as information about the depth and duration of the water table, is needed. Thus, criteria that identify those estimated soil properties unique to hydric soils have been established (Federal Register, 2002). These criteria are used to identify map unit components that normally are associated with wetlands. The criteria used are selected estimated soil properties that are described in "Soil Taxonomy" (Soil Survey Staff, 1999) and "Keys to Soil Taxonomy" (Soil Survey Staff, 2006) and in the "Soil Survey Manual" (Soil Survey Division Staff, 1993).

If soils are wet enough for a long enough period of time to be considered hydric, they should exhibit certain properties that can be easily observed in the field. These visible properties are indicators of hydric soils. The indicators used to make onsite determinations of hydric soils are specified in "Field Indicators of Hydric Soils in the United States" (Hurt and Vasilas, 2006).

References:

Federal Register. July 13, 1994. Changes in hydric soils of the United States.

Federal Register. September 18, 2002. Hydric soils of the United States.

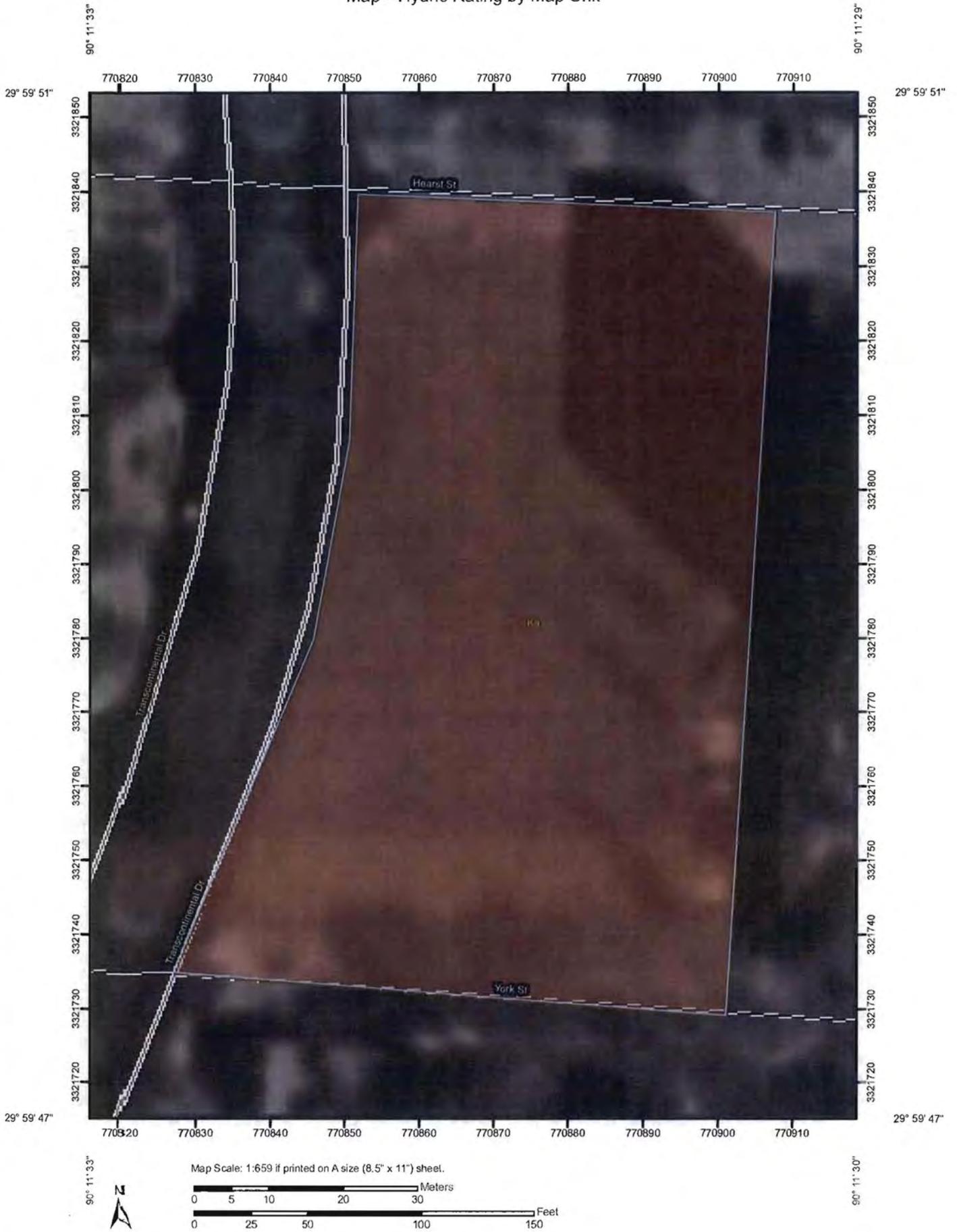
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Map—Hydric Rating by Map Unit



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- Area of Interest (AOI)**
 -  Area of Interest (AOI)
- Soils**
 -  Soil Map Units
- Soil Ratings**
 -  All Hydric
 -  Partially Hydric
 -  Not Hydric
 -  Unknown Hydric
 -  Not rated or not available
- Political Features**
 -  Cities
- Water Features**
 -  Oceans
 -  Streams and Canals
- Transportation**
 -  Rails
 -  Interstate Highways
 -  US Routes
 -  Major Roads
 -  Local Roads

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Table—Hydric Rating by Map Unit

Hydric Rating by Map Unit— Summary by Map Unit — Jefferson Parish, Louisiana				
Map unit symbol	Map unit name	Rating	Acres in AOI	Percent of AOI
Ka	Kenner muck, drained	All Hydric	1.6	100.0%
Totals for Area of Interest			1.6	100.0%

Rating Options—Hydric Rating by Map Unit

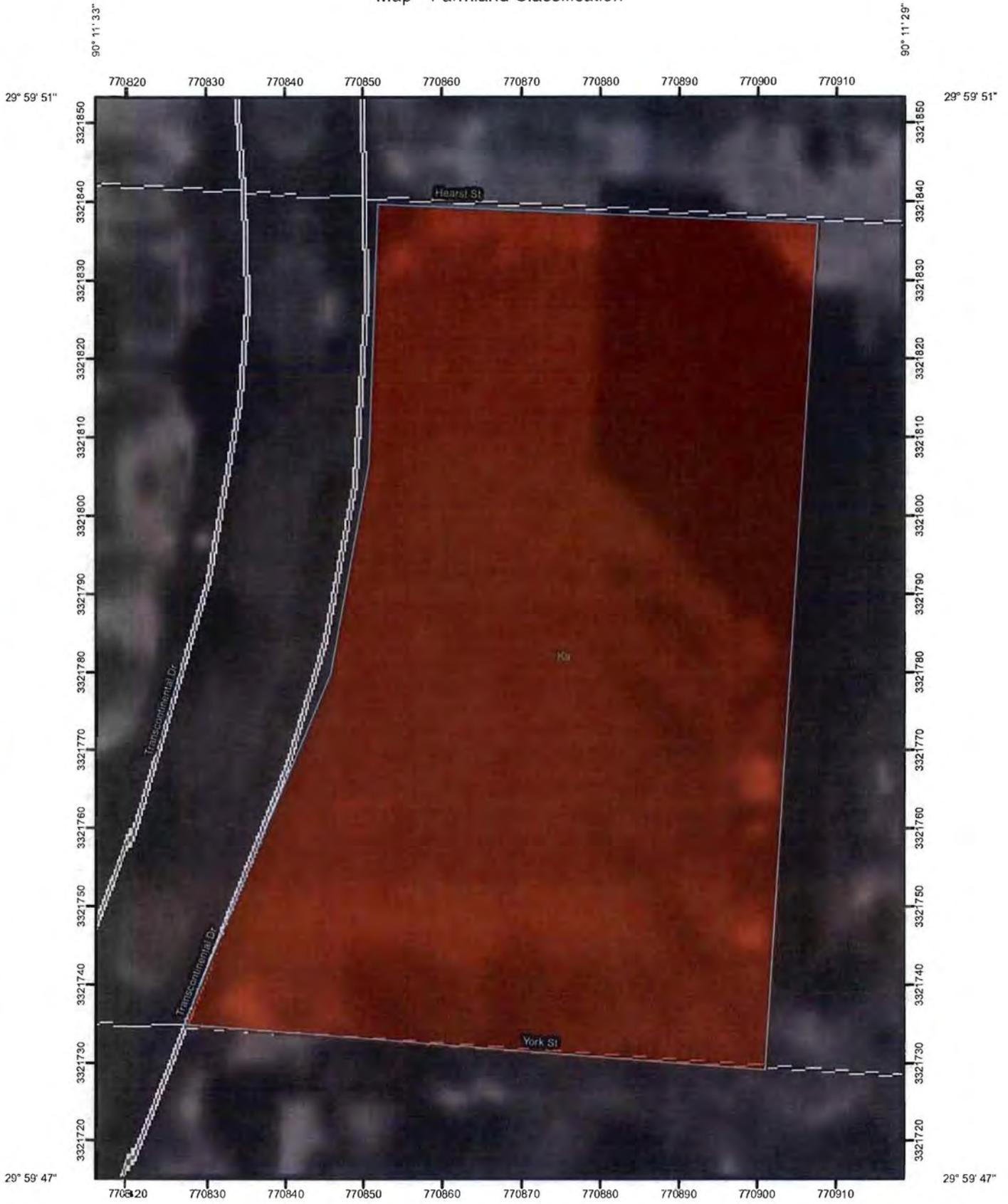
Aggregation Method: Absence/Presence

Tie-break Rule: Lower

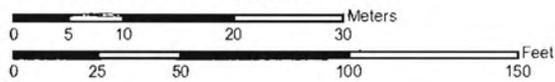
Farmland Classification

Farmland classification identifies map units as prime farmland, farmland of statewide importance, farmland of local importance, or unique farmland. It identifies the location and extent of the soils that are best suited to food, feed, fiber, forage, and oilseed crops. NRCS policy and procedures on prime and unique farmlands are published in the "Federal Register," Vol. 43, No. 21, January 31, 1978.

Custom Soil Resource Report Map—Farmland Classification



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Soils

 Soil Map Units

Soil Ratings

-  Not prime farmland
-  All areas are prime farmland
-  Prime farmland if drained
-  Prime farmland if protected from flooding or not frequently flooded during the growing season
-  Prime farmland if irrigated
-  Prime farmland if drained and either protected from flooding or not frequently flooded during the growing season
-  Prime farmland if irrigated and drained
-  Prime farmland if irrigated and either protected from flooding or not frequently flooded during the growing season

-  Prime farmland if subsoiled, completely removing the root inhibiting soil layer
-  Prime farmland if irrigated and the product of I (soil erodibility) x C (climate factor) does not exceed 60
-  Prime farmland if irrigated and reclaimed of excess salts and sodium
-  Farmland of statewide importance
-  Farmland of local importance
-  Farmland of unique importance
-  Not rated or not available

Political Features

 Cities

Water Features

-  Oceans
-  Streams and Canals

Transportation

-  Rails
-  Interstate Highways

-  US Routes
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Table—Farmland Classification

Farmland Classification— Summary by Map Unit — Jefferson Parish, Louisiana				
Map unit symbol	Map unit name	Rating	Acres in AOI	Percent of AOI
Ka	Kenner muck, drained	Not prime farmland	1.6	100.0%
Totals for Area of Interest			1.6	100.0%

Rating Options—Farmland Classification

Aggregation Method: No Aggregation Necessary

Tie-break Rule: Lower

Soil Properties and Qualities

The Soil Properties and Qualities section includes various soil properties and qualities displayed as thematic maps with a summary table for the soil map units in the selected area of interest. A single value or rating for each map unit is generated by aggregating the interpretive ratings of individual map unit components. This aggregation process is defined for each property or quality.

Soil Erosion Factors

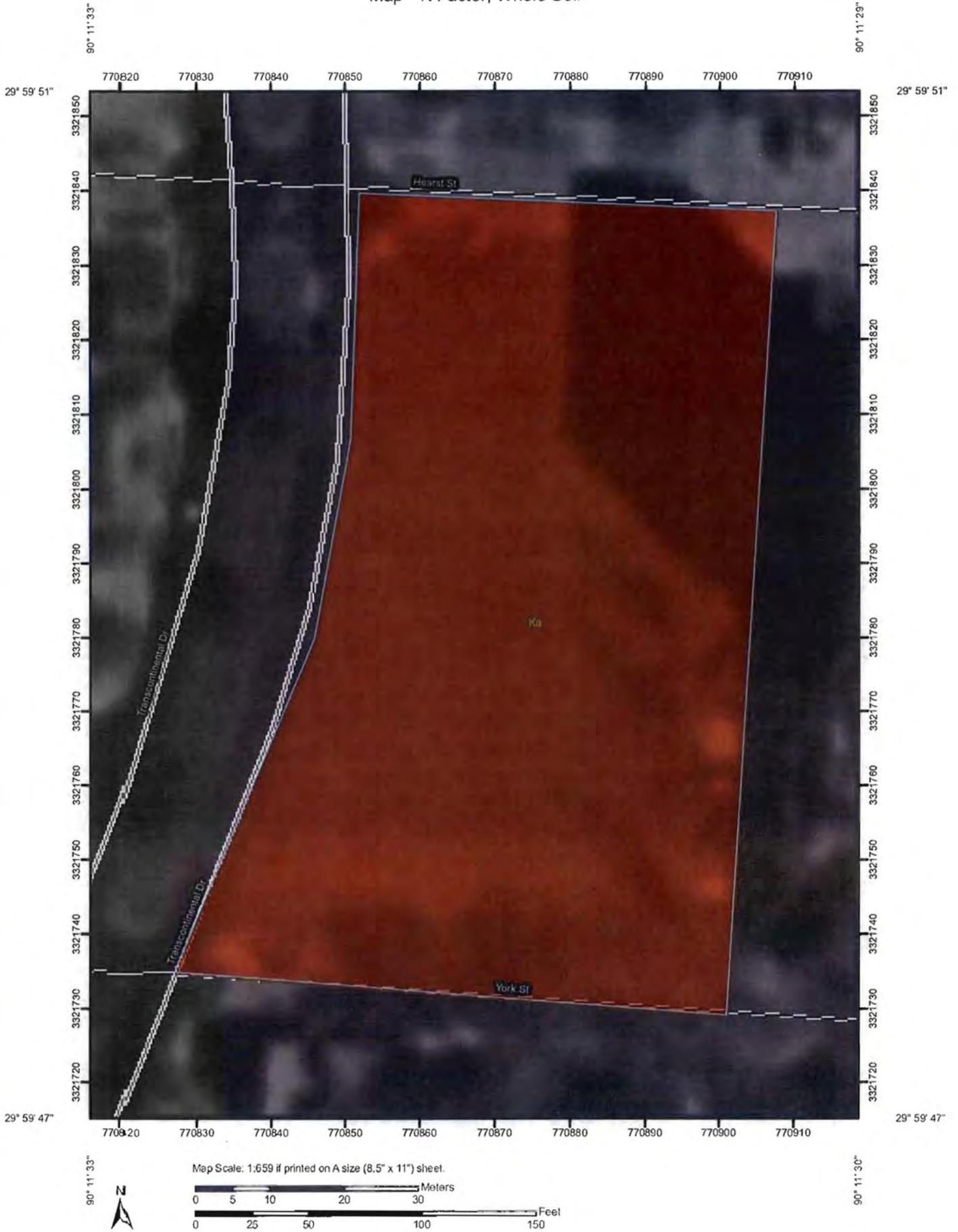
Soil Erosion Factors are soil properties and interpretations used in evaluating the soil for potential erosion. Example soil erosion factors can include K factor for the whole soil or on a rock free basis, T factor, wind erodibility group and wind erodibility index.

K Factor, Whole Soil

Erosion factor K indicates the susceptibility of a soil to sheet and rill erosion by water. Factor K is one of six factors used in the Universal Soil Loss Equation (USLE) and the Revised Universal Soil Loss Equation (RUSLE) to predict the average annual rate of soil loss by sheet and rill erosion in tons per acre per year. The estimates are based primarily on percentage of silt, sand, and organic matter and on soil structure and saturated hydraulic conductivity (Ksat). Values of K range from 0.02 to 0.69. Other factors being equal, the higher the value, the more susceptible the soil is to sheet and rill erosion by water.

"Erosion factor Kw (whole soil)" indicates the erodibility of the whole soil. The estimates are modified by the presence of rock fragments.

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Map—K Factor, Whole Soil



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Area of Interest (AOI)		Rails
		Interstate Highways
Soils		US Routes
		Major Roads
Soil Ratings		Local Roads
		.02
		.05
		.10
		.15
		.17
		.20
		.24
		.28
		.32
		.37
		.43
		.49
		.55
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Table—K Factor, Whole Soil

K Factor, Whole Soil— Summary by Map Unit — Jefferson Parish, Louisiana				
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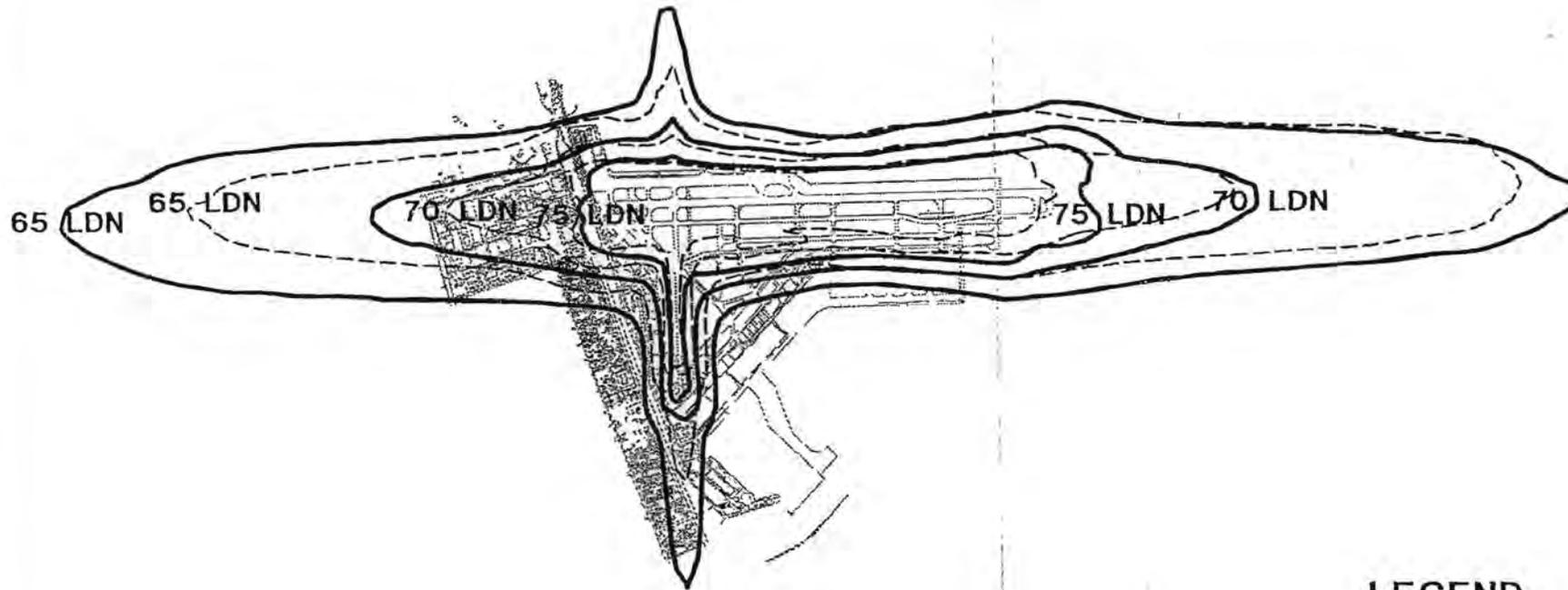
Rating Options—K Factor, Whole Soil

Aggregation Method: Dominant Condition

Component Percent Cutoff: None Specified

Tie-break Rule: Higher

Layer Options: Surface Layer



LEGEND

- EXISTING
- FUTURE

HNTB

**NEW ORLEANS
LAKEFRONT AIRPORT**

**NEW ORLEANS LAKEFRONT AIRPORT
MASTER PLAN UPDATE**

**LDN (DAY-NIGHT AVERAGE SOUND LEVEL)
NOISE CONTOURS**



EXHIBIT

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Appendix C

Keane, Rachel

From: Louis Capo [lcapo@orleanslevee.com]

Sent: Monday, July 26, 2010 3:03 PM

To: Keane, Rachel

Subject: RE: Clear Zone - Lakefront Airport

The address listed below is clearly out of the Clear Zone designated for Lakefront Airport

Louis J. Capo, CIA
Director- Division of Non-Flood Assets
Orleans Levee District
6514 Spanish Fort Blvd
New Orleans, LA 70124
504-355-5990 office
504-355-5993 fax
504-914-4956 cell
lcapo@orleanslevee.com

From: Keane, Rachel [mailto:rachel.keane@psiusa.com]

Sent: Monday, July 26, 2010 2:49 PM

To: Lcapo@orleanslevee.com

Subject: Clear Zone - Lakefront Airport

I am conducting a Department of Housing and Urban Development Environmental Assessment. Can you confirm that the following address is out of the Clear Zone designated for the Lakefront Airport?

4929 York Street, Metairie, LA

Thanks!

Rachel A. Keane

Project Scientist

Professional Services Industries, Inc. (PSI)

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July 2, 2010

Louisiana Department of Natural Resources
Coastal Management Division – Consistency Section
617 N Third Street – Ste 1048
Baton Rouge, LA 70802

Attention: Jeff Harris

RE: Request for Information
Department of Housing and Urban Development - Environmental Review
Christopher Homes, Inc
St. Bernard II/Metairie IV
Transcontinental Drive and York Street
Metairie, Jefferson Parish, Louisiana
PSI Project No.: 0255217

Dear Mr. Harris:

On behalf of Christopher Homes, Inc., the responsible entity under 24 CFR 58.4, PSI Inc, (PSI) is submitting this request for a consistency determination as required under the Coastal Zone Management Act Sections 307(c) and (d) for the construction of a Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) assisted senior housing development. The proposed development requires an environmental review in accordance with HUD regulations 24 CFR 58.5 and 58.6 which includes consideration to impacts to the coastal zone.

The St. Bernard II project was formerly located at 2440 Archbishop Hannon Boulevard in Meraux, Louisiana. Due to damage sustained from Hurricane Katrina, Christopher Homes, Inc. has elected to reconstruct this development at the existing senior housing development Metairie Manor facility located at 4929 York Street in Metairie, Louisiana. The new project will be called Metairie IV and will be constructed in a vacant, grass-covered area on the property. No new property will be used to complete the construction. The project will consist of a two-story facility with 82 housing units. An aerial photograph of the proposed project area has been attached for your review.

PSI requests a written consistency determination from the Consistency Section of the Coastal Management Division – Louisiana Department of Natural Resources. Your assistance in this matter would be greatly appreciated.

Please feel free to contact me anytime if you have any questions or require additional information.

Sincerely,

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE INDUSTRIES, INC.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Rachel A. Keane".

Rachel A. Keane
Project Scientist



July 2, 2010

Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries
Louisiana Natural Heritage Program
P.O. Box 98000
Baton Rouge, LA 70898

Attention: Gary Lester
Coordinator

RE: Request for Information
Department of Housing and Urban Development - Environmental Review
Christopher Homes, Inc
St. Bernard II/Metairie IV
Transcontinental Drive and York Street
Metairie, Jefferson Parish, Louisiana
PSI Project No.: 0255217

Dear Mr. Lester:

On behalf of Christopher Homes, Inc., the responsible entity under 24 CFR 58.4, Professional Services Industries Inc, (PSI) is submitting this request for information and concurrence pertaining to the relocation and construction of the St. Bernard II senior housing development project from its former location in Meraux, Louisiana to a new location at Metairie Manor at 4929 York Street, Metairie, Louisiana. This project will be constructed with financial assistance from the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The proposed development requires an environmental review in accordance with HUD regulations 24 CFR 58.5 and 58.6. To meet the requirements set forth in these regulations, an assessment of potential impacts to the following resources must be conducted:

- Officially designated wilderness areas
- Officially designated wildlife preserves
- Listed and proposed threatened and endangered species
- Officially designated or proposed critical habitats
- Other elements applicable to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)

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Project Scientist



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U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
6ENXP
1445 Ross Ave
Dallas, TX 75202-2733

Attention: Michael P, Jansky

RE: Request for Information
Department of Housing and Urban Development - Environmental Review
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St. Bernard II/Metairie IV
Transcontinental Drive and York Street
Metairie, Jefferson Parish, Louisiana
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- Significant changes to surface features (i.e. wetland fill, deforestation, water diversion, etc.)
- Groundwater and Sole Source Aquifers
- Other elements applicable to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)

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PROFESSIONAL SERVICE INDUSTRIES, INC.

Rachel A. Keane
Project Scientist



July 2, 2010

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
Office of Groundwater
1445 Ross Ave
Dallas, TX 75202-2733

RE: Request for Information
Department of Housing and Urban Development - Environmental Review
Christopher Homes, Inc
St. Bernard II/Metairie IV
Transcontinental Drive and York Street
Metairie, Jefferson Parish, Louisiana
PSI Project No.: 0255217

To Whom It May Concern:

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July 2, 2010

Natural Resources Conservation Service
14246 Highway 90
Boutte, LA 70039

Attention: Michael Trusclair
District Conservationist

RE: Request for Information
Department of Housing and Urban Development - Environmental Review
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July 2, 2010

Mr. Scott Hutchenson
State Historic Preservation Officer
Louisiana Department of Culture, Recreation, and Tourism
Louisiana Division of Archeology
1051 3rd Street, Room 405
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70802

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Rachel A. Keane
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July 2, 2010

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
New Orleans District
Operations Division
P.O. Box 60267
New Orleans, LA 70160

Attention: Karen Oberlies
Solicitation of Views Manager

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St. Bernard II/Metairie IV
Transcontinental Drive and York Street
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July 2, 2010

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
646 Cajundome Blvd
Ste 400
Lafayette, LA 70506

Attention: Jim Boggs
Coordinator

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- Officially designated wilderness areas
- Officially designated wildlife preserves
- Listed and proposed threatened and endangered species
- Officially designated or proposed critical habitats
- Other elements applicable to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)

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Rachel A. Keane
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Keane, Rachel

From: Keane, Rachel
Sent: Friday, July 02, 2010 1:07 PM
To: Diane Hewitt
Subject: Request for Information 0255217
Attachments: July2-Ideq_letter-St. Bern II.pdf; aerial with project area.pdf

Diane:

I have attached a request for information and concurrence for a project in Metairie. Thank you for reviewing the attached information. If you have any questions, please call me anytime.

Regards,

Rachel A. Keane

Project Scientist
Professional Services Industries, Inc. (PSI)
11950 Industriplex Blvd
Baton Rouge, LA 70809
225-293-8378 (office)
225-921-4116 (mobile)
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rachel.keane@psiusa.com

July 2, 2010

Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality
Business & Community Outreach Division
Office of the Secretary
PO Box 301
Baton Rouge, LA 70821-4301
SENT VIA EMAIL – Diane.Hewitt@la.gov

Attention: Diane Hewitt

RE: Request for Information
Department of Housing and Urban Development - Environmental Review
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- Drinking Water Resources
- Surface Water Resources
- Air Quality
- Other elements applicable to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)

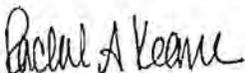
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Project Area

St. Bernard II

Wabash St

Lemon St

St. Bernard II

Transcontinental Dr

Fears St

Kent Ave

Zerath St

York St

W Napoleon Ave

Google

Eye alt 2017 ft

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29° 59' 50.23" N 90° 11' 31.57" W elev 0 ft

Imagery Date: Mar 23, 2010



Louisiana Department of Natural Resources
Office of Coastal Management

Joint Permit Application For Work Within the Louisiana Coastal Zone



U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
(COE)
New Orleans District

Application Number: 9367 Permit Number: P20100834 Date Received: 07/02/2010

Step 1 of 15 - Applicant Information

Applicant Name: CHRISTOHER HOMES INC Applicant Type: COMMERCIAL/NOT INDUSTRY

Mailing Addr : 1000 HOWARD AVENUE
SUITE 100
NEW ORLEANS, LA 70143

Contact Info: DENNIS ADAMS

Phone: (504) 596-3460 Fax: - Email:

Step 2 of 15 - Agent Information

Agent Name: PSI, Inc

Mailing Addr: 11950 Industriplex Blvd
Baton Rouge, LA 70809

Rachel Keane

Contact Info: Phone: (225) 293-8378 Fax: (225) 292-8132 Email: rachel.keane@psiusa.com

Step 3 of 15 - Permit Type

Coastal Use Permit (CUP) Solicitation of Views (SOV) Request for Determination (RFD)

Step 4 of 15 - Pre-Application Activity

a. Have you participated in a Pre-Application or Geological Review Meeting for the proposed project?

No Yes Date meeting was held:

Attendees:

(Individual or Company Rep) (OCM Representative) (COE Representative)

b. Have you obtained an official wetland determination from the COE for the project site?

No Yes If Yes, Please upload a copy with your application.

c. Is this application a mitigation plan for another CUP?

No Yes OCM Permit Number:



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Step 5 of 15 - Project Information

a. Describe the project.

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This project is exempt from Coastal Use Permitting requirements due to its location within fastland.

b. Is this application a change to an existing permit?

No Yes OCM Permit Number:

c. Have you previously applied for a permit or emergency authorization for all or any part of the proposed project?

No Yes

Agency	Contact	Permit Number	Decision Status	Decision Date
OCM				
COE				
Other				

Step 6 of 15 - Project Location

a. Physical Location

Street: 4929 York Street

City: Metairie

Parish: Jefferson

Zip: 70001

Water Body:

b. Latitude and Longitude

Latitude: 29 59 49.91 Longitude: -90 11 31.41

c. Section, Township, and Range

Section #: Township #: Range #:

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d. Lot, Track, Parcel, or Subdivision Name

Lot #: _____ Parcel #: _____
Tract #: _____ Subdivision Name: _____

e. Site Direction

From Baton Rouge: Take I-10 East toward New Orleans. Take Exit 225 - Veterans Blvd. Merge onto Veterans Blvd heading south. Turn right onto Transcontinental Drive. Turn Left onto York Street. The project area is located on the vacant, grass-covered area on the northeast corner of the intersection of Transcontinental Drive and York Street.

Step 7 of 15 - Adjacent Landowners - See attached list

Step 8 of 15 - Project Specifics

a. Project Name and/or Title: St. Bernard II/Metairie IV

b. Project Type: Unknown

c. Source of Funding: **FEDERAL**

d. What will be done for the proposed project?

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|--|---|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bridge/Road | <input type="checkbox"/> Home Site/Driveway | <input type="checkbox"/> Pipeline/Flow Line | <input type="checkbox"/> Rip Rap/Erosion Control |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bulkhead/Fill | <input type="checkbox"/> Levee Construction | <input type="checkbox"/> Plug/Abandon | <input type="checkbox"/> Site Clearance |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drainage Improvements | <input type="checkbox"/> Maintenance Dredging | <input type="checkbox"/> Production Barge/Structure | <input type="checkbox"/> Subdivision |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drill Barge/Structure | <input type="checkbox"/> Prop Washing | <input type="checkbox"/> Vegetative Plantings | <input type="checkbox"/> Wharf/Pier/Boathouse |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drill Site | <input type="checkbox"/> Pilings | <input type="checkbox"/> Remove Structures | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fill | <input type="checkbox"/> Marina | <input type="checkbox"/> Major Industrial/Commercial | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other: | Senior residential development | | |

e. Why is the proposed project needed?

To provide affordable housing to senior citizens in the community.

Step 9 of 15 - Project Status



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a. Proposed start date:

Proposed completion date:

b. Is any of the project work in progress?

No Yes

c. Is any of the project work completed?

No Yes

Step 10 of 15 – Structures, Materials, and Methods for the Proposed Project

a. Excavations

Cubic Yards Acres

b. Fill Areas

Cubic Yards Acres

c. Fill Materials

<p><input type="checkbox"/> Concrete: Cubic Yards</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Crushed Stone or Gravel: Cubic Yards</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Excavated and Placed onsite: Cubic Yards</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Excavated and hauled offsite: Cubic Yards</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Other: Cubic Yards</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Rock: Cubic Yards</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Sand: Cubic Yards</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Hauled in Topsoil/Dirt: Cubic Yards</p>
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d. What equipment will be used for the proposed project?



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- | | | |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Airboat | <input type="checkbox"/> Bulldozer/Grader | <input type="checkbox"/> Marsh Buggy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Backhoe | <input type="checkbox"/> Dragline/Excavator | <input type="checkbox"/> Other Tracked or Wheeled Vehicles |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Barge Mounted Bucket Dredge | <input type="checkbox"/> Handjet | <input type="checkbox"/> Self Propelled Pipe Laying Barge |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Barge Mounted Drilling Rig | <input type="checkbox"/> Land Based Drilling Rig | <input type="checkbox"/> Tugboat |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other: General construction equipment and vehicles | | |

Step 11 of 15 - Project Alternatives

- a. What alternative locations, methods, and access routes were considered to avoid impact to wetlands and/or waterbottoms?

- b. What efforts were made to minimize impact to wetlands and/or waterbottoms?

- c. How are unavoidable impacts to vegetated wetlands to be mitigated?

Step 12 of 15 - Permit Type and Owners

- a. Are you applying for a Coastal Use Permit?

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes
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- b. Are you the sole landowner / oyster lease holder?

<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes
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 The applicant is an owner of the property on which the proposed described activity is to occur.
 The applicant has made reasonable effort to determine the identity and current address of the owner(s) of the land on which the proposed described activity is to occur, which included, a search of the public records of the parish in which the proposed activity is to occur.



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The applicant hereby attests that a copy of the application has been distributed to the following landowners / oyster lease holders. See attached list.

Step 13 of 15 - Maps and Drawing Instructions

Note: OCM Compiled Plats consist of a complete and current set of plats that have been pieced together by OCM using only the most current portions of the plat files provided by the applicant/agent. All out-of-date plats have been excluded.

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Step 14 of 15 - Payment

The fee for this permit is: \$ 20.00

Step 15 of 15 - Payment Processed

Applicant Information

Applicant Name: CHRISTOHER HOMES INC
Address: 1000 HOWARD AVENUE
SUITE 100
NEW ORLEANS, LA 70143

To the best of my knowledge the proposed activity described in this permit application complies with, and will be conducted in a manner that is consistent with the Louisiana Coastal Resources Program.

Landowners List



BOBBY JINDAL
GOVERNOR

ROBERT D. HARPER
SECRETARY

State of Louisiana
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
OFFICE OF COASTAL MANAGEMENT

07/26/2010

PSI, INC.
6022 CRESTMOUNT DR.
BATON ROUGE, LA 70809
Attn: Rachel Keane

RE: P20100834, Request for Determination
CHRISTOHER HOMES INC

Description: Proposed construction of a two-story facility with 82 housing units in a vacant, grass-covered area on the property of an existing senior housing development. This project is exempt from Coastal Use Permitting requirements due to its location within fastland.

Location: At 4929 York Street in Metairie, LA. 70001 at Lat 29° 59' 49.91"N / Long -90° 11' 31.41"W.

Jefferson Parish, LA

Dear Rachel Keane:

We have received a Request for Determination for the above referenced project, which has been found to be inside the Louisiana Coastal Zone. In accordance with the State and Local Coastal Resources Management Act of 1978, as amended (La. R.S. 49:214.34.a), the proposed activity is exempt and a Coastal Use Permit is not required.

This determination is valid for two (2) years from the date of this letter. If the proposed activity is not initiated within this 2-year period, this determination will expire and the applicant will be required to submit a new application. This determination does not eliminate the need to obtain a permit from the United States Army, Corps of Engineers (USACE) or any other Federal, state, or local approval, that may be required by law. Please note that your application packet has not been forwarded to the USACE, or any other agency outside of OCM and the Parish local coastal program. If you would like a determination from other regulatory and/or resource agency(ies) regarding this project, please submit your request directly to that/those agency(ies) from which you would like a determination.

This determination has been made on the basis of information provided by your application. If it is later established that you furnished erroneous data, you may be directed to alter or modify your plans, to remove structures you have installed, and/or to restore the work area to pre-project conditions at your own expense. If it is established that you knowingly furnished erroneous data, you could also be subject to legal action.

The drawings submitted with your referenced application are attached hereto and made a part of the record. If you have any questions regarding this authorization, please contact our office at (225) 342-7591 or (800) 267-4019.

Sincerely,



Karl L. Morgan
Acting Administrator

Karl L. Morgan/jd

Attachments

Final Plats:

1) P20100834 Final Plats 07/02/2010

cc: Peggy Rooney, OCM w/plats
Frank Cole, CMD/FI w/plats
Jefferson Parish w/plats

CHRISTOPHER HOMES INC. w/plats

July 2, 2010

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
6ENXP
1445 Ross Ave
Dallas, TX 75202-2733

Attention: Michael P. Jansky

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Transcontinental Drive and York Street
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07/08/10
EPA has no comments


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UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
REGION 6
1445 ROSS AVENUE, SUITE 1200
DALLAS TX 75202-2733

July 13, 2010

Ms. Rachel A. Keane
Project Scientist
PROFESSIONAL SERVICE
INDUSTRIES, INC.
11950 Industriplex Blvd.
Baton Rouge, LA 70809

Dear Ms. Keane:

We have received your July 2, 2010, letter requesting our evaluation of the potential environmental impacts which might result from the following project:

**Financial Assistance
Construction of 82 Housing Units
St. Bernard II/Metairie IV
29°59'50.23"N/-90°11'31.57"W
Jefferson Parish
Metairie, Louisiana**

In administering the sole source aquifer (SSA) program under Section 1424 of the Safe Drinking Water Act our Office performs evaluations of projects with federal financial assistance which are located over a designated sole source aquifer.

Based on the information provided, we have concluded that the project does not lie within the boundaries of a designated sole source aquifer and is thus not eligible for review under the SSA program.

If you did not include the Parish/County; a legal description; project location and the latitude and longitude if available, please do so in future Sole Source Aquifer correspondence. To view a map of the Sole Source Aquifer delineation(s) for your state go to the following website. <http://www.epa.gov/region6/water/swp/ssa/maps.htm>

If you have any questions on this letter or the sole source aquifer program please contact me at (214) 665-7133.

Sincerely yours,

Michael Bechdol, Coordinator
Sole Source Aquifer Program
Ground Water/UIC Section

cc: Howard Fielding, LDEQ
Cathy Gilmore, 6EN-XP
Tammany Mick, 6WQ-EM



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July 2, 2010

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
646 Cajundome Blvd
Ste 400
Lafayette, LA 70506

Attention: Jim Boggs
Coordinator

This project has been reviewed for effects to Federal trust resources under our jurisdiction and currently protected by the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (Act). The project, as proposed,
 Will have no effect on those resources
 Is not likely to adversely affect those resources.
This finding fulfills the requirements under Section 7(a)(2) of the Act.

Daryl Sellers
Acting Supervisor
Louisiana Field Office
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
Date *July 15, 2010*

RE: Request for Information
Department of Housing and Urban Development - Environmental Review
Christopher Homes, Inc
St. Bernard II/Metairie IV
Transcontinental Drive and York Street
Metairie, Jefferson Parish, Louisiana
PSI Project No.: 0255217

Dear Mr. Boggs:

On behalf of Christopher Homes, Inc., the responsible entity under 24 CFR 58.4, Professional Services Industries Inc, (PSI) is submitting this request for information and concurrence pertaining to the relocation and construction of the St. Bernard II senior housing development project from its former location in Meraux, Louisiana to a new location at Metairie Manor at 4929 York Street, Metairie, Louisiana. This project will be constructed with financial assistance from the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The proposed development requires an environmental review in accordance with HUD regulations 24 CFR 58.5 and 58.6. To meet the requirements set forth in these regulations, an assessment of potential impacts to the following resources must be conducted:

- Officially designated wilderness areas
- Officially designated wildlife preserves
- Listed and proposed threatened and endangered species
- Officially designated or proposed critical habitats
- Other elements applicable to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)

The St. Bernard II project was formerly located at 2440 Archbishop Hannon Boulevard in Meraux, Louisiana. Due to damage sustained from Hurricane Katrina, Christopher Homes, Inc. has elected to reconstruct this development at the existing senior housing development Metairie Manor facility located at 4929 York Street in Metairie, Louisiana. The new project will be called Metairie IV and will be constructed in a vacant, grass-covered area on the property. No new property will be used to complete the construction. The project will consist of a two-story facility with 82 housing units. An aerial photograph of the proposed project area has been attached for your review.

Please feel free to contact me anytime if you have any questions or require additional information.

Sincerely,

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE INDUSTRIES, INC.

Rachel A. Keane

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Project Scientist



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State of Louisiana
DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES
OFFICE OF WILDLIFE

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Date July 16, 2010

Name Rachel A. Keane

Company Professional Service Industries, Inc.

Street Address 11950 Industriplex Blvd.

City, State, Zip Baton Rouge, LA 70809

Project Christopher Homes, Inc.
St. Bernard II/Metairie IV
Metairie, Jefferson Parish, LA
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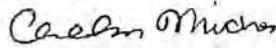
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Personnel of the Habitat Section of the Coastal & Nongame Resources Division have reviewed the preliminary data for the captioned project. After careful review of our database, no impacts to rare, threatened, or endangered species or critical habitats are anticipated for the proposed project. No state or federal parks, wildlife refuges, scenic streams, or wildlife management areas are known at the specified site within Louisiana's boundaries.

The Louisiana Natural Heritage Program (LNHP) has compiled data on rare, endangered, or otherwise significant plant and animal species, plant communities, and other natural features throughout the state of Louisiana. Heritage reports summarize the existing information known at the time of the request regarding the location in question. The quantity and quality of data collected by the LNHP are dependent on the research and observations of many individuals. In most cases, this information is not the result of comprehensive or site-specific field surveys; many natural areas in Louisiana have not been surveyed. This report does not address the occurrence of wetlands at the site in question. Heritage reports should not be considered final statements on the biological elements or areas being considered, nor should they be substituted for on-site surveys required for environmental assessments. LNHP requires that this office be acknowledged in all reports as the source of all data provided here. If at any time Heritage tracked species are encountered within the project area, please contact the LNHP Data Manager at 225-765-2643. If you have any questions, or need additional information, please call 225-765-2357.

Sincerely,

for 
Amity Bass, Coordinator
Natural Heritage Program

Keane, Rachel

From: Diane Hewitt [Diane.Hewitt@LA.GOV]
Sent: Thursday, July 15, 2010 8:25 AM
To: Keane, Rachel
Subject: DEQ SOV: 100706/1335 St. Bernard II/Metairie IV Develop.
 July 15, 2010

Rachel A. Keane
 PSI, Inc.
 11950 Industriplex Blvd.
 Baton Rouge, LA 70809
rachel.keane@pslusa.com

RE:
 100706/1335 St. Bernard II/Metairie IV Develop.
 HUD funding
 Jefferson Parish

Dear Ms. Keane:

The Department of Environmental Quality (LDEQ), Offices of Environmental Services and Environmental Compliance have received your request for comments on the above referenced project. Please take any necessary steps to obtain and/or update all necessary approvals and environmental permits regarding this proposed project.

There were no objections based on the information in the document submitted to us. However, the following comments have been included below. Should you encounter a problem during the implementation of this project, please notify LDEQ's Single-Point-of-contact (SPOC) at (225) 219-3640.

The Office of Environmental Services/Permits Division recommends that you investigate the following requirements that may influence your proposed project:

- If your project results in a discharge to waters of the state, submittal of a Louisiana Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (LPDES) application may be necessary.
- If the project results in a discharge of wastewater to an existing wastewater treatment system, that wastewater treatment system may need to modify its LPDES permit before accepting the additional wastewater.
- LDEQ has stormwater general permits for construction areas equal to or greater than one acre. It is recommended that you contact the LDEQ Water Permit Division at (225) 219-3181 to determine if your proposed improvements require one of these permits.
- All precautions should be observed to control nonpoint source pollution from construction activities.
- If any of the proposed work is located in wetlands or other areas subject to the jurisdiction of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, you should contact the Corps directly to inquire about the possible necessity for permits. If a Corps permit is required, part of the application process may involve a water quality certification from LDEQ.
- All precautions should be observed to protect the groundwater of the region.
- Please be advised that water softeners generate wastewaters that may require special limitations depending on local water quality considerations. Therefore if your water system improvements include water softeners, you are advised to contact the LDEQ Water Permits to determine if special water quality-based limitations will be necessary.
- 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

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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, Jefferson Parish is classified as an attainment parish with the National Ambient Air Quality Standards.

Please forward all future requests to Ms. Diane Hewitt, LDEQ/Performance Management/ P.O. Box 4301, Baton Rouge, LA 70821-4301, and your request will be processed as quickly as possible.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (225) 219-4079 or by email at diane.hewitt@la.gov. Permitting questions should be directed to the Office of Environmental Services at (225) 219-3181.

Sincerely,

Diane Hewitt
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LDEQ/Community and Industry Relations
Business and Community Outreach Division
Office of the Secretary
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FARMLAND CONVERSION IMPACT RATING

PART I (To be completed by Federal Agency)		Date Of Land Evaluation Request	8/9/10
Name Of Project	St. Bernard II/Rouquette IV	Federal Agency Involved	HUD
Proposed Land Use	Expansion of HUD assisted senior res. facility	County And State	St. Tammany Parish - Louisiana

PART II (To be completed by NRCS)		Date Request Received By NRCS	
Does the site contain prime, unique, statewide or local important farmland? <i>(If no, the FPPA does not apply -- do not complete additional parts of this form).</i>		Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
Major Crop(s)	Farmable Land In Govt. Jurisdiction Acres: %	Acres Irrigated	Average Farm Size
Name Of Land Evaluation System Used	Name Of Local Site Assessment System	Amount Of Farmland As Defined in FPPA Acres: %	
		Date Land Evaluation Returned By NRCS	

PART III (To be completed by Federal Agency)	Alternative Site Rating			
	Site A	Site B	Site C	Site D
	A. Total Acres To Be Converted Directly			
	B. Total Acres To Be Converted Indirectly	0.7		
C. Total Acres In Site	0.7	0.0	0.0	0.0

PART IV (To be completed by NRCS) Land Evaluation Information				
A. Total Acres Prime And Unique Farmland				
B. Total Acres Statewide And Local Important Farmland				
C. Percentage Of Farmland In County Or Local Govt. Unit To Be Converted				
D. Percentage Of Farmland In Govt. Jurisdiction With Same Or Higher Relative Value				

PART V (To be completed by NRCS) Land Evaluation Criterion				
Relative Value Of Farmland To Be Converted (Scale of 0 to 100 Points)	0	0	0	0

PART VI (To be completed by Federal Agency)	Maximum Points				
Site Assessment Criteria (These criteria are explained in 7 CFR 658.5(b))					
1. Area In Nonurban Use					
2. Perimeter In Nonurban Use					
3. Percent Of Site Being Farmed					
4. Protection Provided By State And Local Government					
5. Distance From Urban Builtup Area					
6. Distance To Urban Support Services					
7. Size Of Present Farm Unit Compared To Average					
8. Creation Of Nonfarmable Farmland					
9. Availability Of Farm Support Services					
10. On-Farm Investments					
11. Effects Of Conversion On Farm Support Services					
12. Compatibility With Existing Agricultural Use					
TOTAL SITE ASSESSMENT POINTS	160	0	0	0	0

PART VII (To be completed by Federal Agency)				
Relative Value Of Farmland (From Part V)	100	0	0	0
Total Site Assessment (From Part VI above or a local site assessment)	160	0	0	0
TOTAL POINTS (Total of above 2 lines)	260	0	0	0

Site Selected:	Date Of Selection	Was A Local Site Assessment Used?
Reason For Selection:		Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

Questions provided by Rachel Keane - PSI and response provided by Ms. Flo Ronan,
Manager, Metairie Manor

Please provide as much information as possible. If you have any questions or need clarification, please call me anytime.

- Who collects the solid waste/garbage at the facility and on what schedule?
 - River Parish Disposal- Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday
- What kind of transportation does the facility offer to residents and on what schedule? Can residents arrange for time specific transportation? No
 - Doctor appointments on Tuesday and Friday
 - Wednesday- Shopping at the grocery stores and/or shopping mall and alternating with Walmart
- Are medical services offered at the facility and what type? No
- What kind of medical services are made available to residents off the facility? None
- Are social services offered at the facility and what type? Yes
- We have an on-site service coordinator
- What kind of social services are made available to residents off the facility? None
- Are recreational activities offered at the facility and what type? Yes, we have birthday parties, senior Olympics ,variety show, holiday celebrations, volunteer luncheon, exercise classes, monthly band etc.
- What kind of recreational activities are made available to residents off the facility? We take residents to lunches, field trips to the aquarium, zoo etc.
- Does the facility have any special arrangement with the local police, fire, or EMS? (Please provide specific contacts with each service if available.)
- We have Officer Patrick Smith with the Jefferson Parish Police Dept. give talks on Crime Prevention. He can be reached at 504-376-2402
- Does the facility maintain a security staff? How many guards and on what schedule? Yes. We have guard service from 5:00 p.m. until 8:00a.m. Monday - Friday, and weekends and holidays
- Does the facility employ medical and/or emergency medical staff (nurses, etc)? No

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ROBERT D. HARPER
SECRETARY

State of Louisiana
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
OFFICE OF COASTAL MANAGEMENT

August 16, 2010

Rachel Keane
PSI
11950 Industriplex Blvd.
Baton Rouge, LA 70809

RE: **C20100228**, Coastal Zone Consistency
Christopher Homes, Inc.
HUD - Federal Assistance
St. Bernard II/Metairie IV senior housing development
Jefferson Parish, Louisiana

Dear Ms. Keane:

The above referenced project has been reviewed for consistency with the approved Louisiana Coastal Resource Program (LCRP) as required by Section 307 of the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972, as amended. Receiving financial assistance for this project, as proposed in the application, is consistent with the LCRP.

However, this authorization for assistance does not eliminate the need to obtain other Federal, state, or local approvals which may be required by law. **This project may require a Coastal Use Permit from this Department** and/or a Corps of Engineers Section 404/Section 10 Permit. Determination of Coastal Use Permit requirements can be obtained through the submission of a completed Coastal Use Permit Application to this Department. If you have any questions concerning this determination please contact Jeff Harris, of the Consistency Section at (225) 342-7591 or 1-800-267-4019.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Gregory J. DuCote".

Gregory J. DuCote
Administrator
Interagency Affairs/Field Services Division

GJD/JDH/paw

cc: David Butler, LDWF
Jason Smith, Jefferson Parish

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Appendix D

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8-STEP DECISION MAKING PROCESS DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT 24 CFR 55.20 – PROCEDURES FOR MAKING DETERMINATIONS ON FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT

In compliance with Executive Order (EO) 11988 “Floodplain Management” and as required under 24 CFR 55.20 “Procedures for Making Determinations on Floodplain Management”, Christopher Homes, Inc. has completed the 8-step process regarding floodplain management in relation to the proposed relocation and construction of the St. Bernard II, an 82-unit Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) 202 senior citizen residential development from its former location in Meraux, St. Bernard Parish, Louisiana to a new location on the northeast corner of the intersection of Transcontinental Drive and York Street in Metairie, Jefferson Parish, Louisiana. Funding for the proposed project will include HUD mortgage funds under Section 542(c) of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1992, funds under the HOME Investments Partnership Program, and a Housing Assistance Payment Contract.

According to maps provided by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Louisiana Mapping Project, the proposed location of the St. Bernard II development in Metairie, Jefferson Parish falls within a floodplain designated as “Zone AE: 1% Annual Chance Flood Hazard - Base Flood Elevation -4.5”. Under environmental review guidelines set forth by HUD, the relocation and construction of the St. Bernard II senior residential development would be subject to the procedures outlined under 24 CFR 55.20. The following addresses each step of the decision making process as it pertains to the proposed development:

Step 1 – Determine whether the proposed action is located in a 100-year floodplain (or 500-year floodplain for a Critical Action): The proposed site of the St. Bernard II senior residential development is located on the northeast corner of the intersection of Transcontinental Drive and York Street in Metairie, Jefferson Parish, Louisiana. The proposed project includes the construction of an 82-unit residential development adjoining an existing senior residential development.

According to the FEMA Preliminary Draft Flood Insurance Rate Map (DFIRM) as provided by the Louisiana Mapping Project (<http://www.lamappingproject.com/index.php>), the project area is located within the 100-year floodplain with a base flood elevation of -4.5 feet above mean sea level.

Step 2 – Notify the public at the earliest possible time of a proposal to consider an action in a floodplain (or 500-year floodplain for a Critical Action), and involve the affected and interested public in the decision making process: A public notice was prepared and submitted to the Times-Picayune – Legal Notices section for publication. The notice was published in the Legal Notices section of the newspaper on May 6, 2010. The public was notified that comments would be accepted for 15 calendar days after the publication date of the notice. The end of the initial public comment period was May 24, 2010. No comments were received during the 15-day comment period.

Step 3 – Identify and evaluate practicable alternatives to locating the proposed action in a floodplain (or 500-year floodplain for Critical Actions): Construction of the proposed project outside of the 100-year floodplain is not practical given the nature of the surrounding area. The majority of the areas surrounding the proposed project area fall within the 100-year floodplain making locating the proposed project outside of the floodplain nearly impossible. Areas that are outside of the 100-year floodplain are either currently developed, unavailable, or not cost effective.

An alternative to the current proposed project location included the reconstruction of the St. Bernard senior residential development at its original location in Meraux, St. Bernard Parish. The St. Bernard II senior housing development was formerly located at 2300 Archbishop Hannon Boulevard in Meraux, St. Bernard Parish, Louisiana. This location also falls within the 100-year floodplain. The development was flooded with approximately 12 feet of water and incurred catastrophic roof damage as a result of Hurricane Katrina. Given the extensive amount of damage to the region, the recovery of the surrounding area and its ability to provide support services, business resources, and Parish government support made providing care and services to the senior population residing at the development difficult. Given that the proposed project site in Jefferson Parish did not flood during Hurricane Katrina and that the services in the area were able to recover more quickly indicates that the proposed project site is better suited to accommodate an elderly population.

While the proposed Jefferson Parish location is located within a floodplain, the area did not flood during Hurricane Katrina. The proposed site for the St. Bernard II senior residential development is located on cleared, vacant property adjoining an existing senior residential development. Relocating and constructing the St. Bernard II residential development at the Jefferson Parish location allows for the expansion of senior residential opportunities within an already established and extensive network of support services in place at the proposed project location in Jefferson Parish. These services include meal programs, transportation services, service coordination, and a planned wellness center.

The No-Build or No Action Alternative is also an alternative to the proposed action. However, not proceeding with the reconstruction of the St. Bernard II senior residential development would fail to serve the purpose of the project. Therefore, the No-Build option is not a practicable alternative.

Step 4 – Identify the potential direct and indirect impacts associated with the occupancy or modification of the floodplain (or 500-year floodplain for a Critical Action): Construction of the proposed St. Bernard II development would occupy approximately 9,000 square feet (approximately 0.2 acre) of the floodplain in Jefferson Parish. Given the developed, urban nature of the surrounding area and the location of the proposed project within the Federal and Parish levee and drainage systems established in the area, impacts to the floodplain would be negligible.

Step 5 – Where practicable, design or modify the proposed action to minimize the potential adverse impacts within the floodplain (including the 500-year floodplain for a Critical Action)

and to restore and preserve its natural and beneficial values. The proposed project is located within an established and maintained levee system. The levee system throughout New Orleans and its surrounding municipalities, under the jurisdiction of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and others, provides floodplain protection to the project area. The East and West Jefferson Parish Levee Districts provide oversight of the levee systems within the Parish. Recent and ongoing rehabilitation and reconstruction efforts have re-established the levee system in the area, and therefore, maintained the level of floodplain protection.

Jefferson Parish requires all developments, regardless of location, to obtain a Floodplain Development Permit to insure that the development in question follows floodplain regulations and is constructed to the most up to date codes and standards. Jefferson Parish also maintains a sophisticated drainage system. Construction of the proposed development will also conform to the requirements of the Parish such that disruption to the drainage system throughout the Parish is avoided.

Jefferson Parish also operates a flood warning system to alert citizens within the Parish of potentially dangerous conditions resulting from severe weather. The proposed St. Bernard II senior residential development will utilize the Parish's flood warning system and will also use the existing CHI Emergency Preparedness Plan in the event of flooding conditions. Residents will be made aware of these procedures and staff will be trained in the event of hazardous flood conditions.

Step 6 – Reevaluate the proposed action to determine (1) whether it is still practicable in light of its exposure to flood hazards in the floodplain, the extent to which it will aggravate the current hazards to other floodplains, and its potential to disrupt floodplain values and (2) Whether alternatives preliminarily rejected in Step 3 are practicable in light of the information gained in Steps 4 and 5: (1) While the proposed project location will occupy approximately 0.2 acre of currently vacant, undeveloped land within the floodplain, the impacts to the floodplain and its function will be negligible given the urban nature of the surrounding area and the project's location within the surrounding levee system. Construction of the proposed development will meet all established floodplain and construction standards thereby minimizing impacts to the floodplain and its function as well as providing protection to the development itself. (2) The majority of the areas surrounding the proposed project area fall within the 100-year floodplain making locating the proposed project outside of the floodplain nearly impossible. Areas that are outside of the 100-year floodplain are either currently developed, unavailable, or not cost effective. The original location of the St. Bernard II development also falls within the 100-year floodplain and sustained severe flooding and damage as a result of Hurricane Katrina. The relocation of the St. Bernard II senior development to the Jefferson Parish allows for the development to be constructed adjacent to an existing development with an established network of services specifically focused on assisting senior citizens. In light of the information reviewed in Steps 4 and 5, implementation of the proposed project is the most practicable alternative.

Step 7 – If reevaluation of results in a determination that there is no practicable alternative to locating the proposal in the floodplain (or the 500-year floodplain for a Critical Action), publish a final notice: A final notice to proceed with the construction of the project in the 100-year

floodplain was published in the Times-Picayune Public Notices section on May 26, 2010 for a 7-day comment period that ended on June 3, 2010. No comments were received.

Step 8 – As a result of the information gathered in Steps 1 through 7, the relocation and construction of the St. Bernard II senior residential development from its former location in St. Bernard Parish to a new location in Jefferson Parish will be implemented. Although the project is located in the 100-year floodplain, no other alternatives to the project's current location were determined to be practicable.

This determination completes the 8-Step Process as required under 24 CFR 55.20 "Procedures for Making Determinations on Floodplain Management". Therefore, this project is in compliance with the EO 11988 and 24 CFR Part 55.20.

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Advertisement of Professional Services Industries Inc

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3800 Howard Ave.
New Orleans, LA 70125

On the following dates May 6, 2010

I attest that the copy attached hereto as "Exhibit A" is a true and correct copy of the advertisement published in The Times-Picayune on these dates.

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Sworn to and subscribed before me this

Day of May, 2010

Elizabeth C Darcey
Notary Public

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Charles A. Ferguson, Jr.

Notary identification number 23492

Early Notice and Public Review
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To: All Interested Agencies,
Groups and Individuals

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There are three primary purposes for this notice. First, people who may be affected by activities in floodplains and those who have an interest in the protection of the natural environment should be given an opportunity to express their concerns and provide information about these areas. Second, an adequate public notice program can be an important public educational tool. The dissemination of information about floodplains can facilitate and enhance Federal efforts to reduce the risks associated with the occupancy and modification of these special areas. Third, as a matter of fairness, when the Federal government determines it will participate in actions taking place in floodplains, it must inform those who may be put at greater or continued risk.

Written comments must be received by Christopher Homes, Inc. at the following address on or before May 24, 2010: Christopher Homes, Inc., 1000 Howard Avenue, Suite 100, New Orleans, LA 70118 and (504) 596-3466, Attention: Mr. Dennis Adams, during the hours of 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM. Comments may also be submitted via email at dfoams@christopherhomesinc.org.
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Christopher Homes, Inc has considered the following alternatives and mitigation measures to be taken to minimize adverse impacts and to restore and preserve natural and beneficial values. Reconstruction of the project at its original location in Metairie, St. Bernard Parish was eliminated due to the damage incurred at the site from Hurricane Katrina. Selection of this alternative would not avoid floodplain impacts due to its location within the 100-year floodplain. The No-Build Alternative was eliminated because the purpose of the project would not be met. The proposed project will be in compliance with all state and local floodplain protection and regulations.

Christopher Homes, Inc has reevaluated the alternatives to building in the floodplain and has determined that it has no practicable alternative. Environmental files that document compliance with steps 3 through 5 of Executive Order 11988, are available for public inspection, review and copying upon request at the times and location delineated in the last paragraph of this notice for receipt of comments. This activity will have no significant impact on the environment for the following reasons:

Construction of the proposed project will take place in a developed, urban area adjoining an existing senior citizen residential development. No significant natural resources or habitats exist on or in the vicinity of the project area.

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Date: May 26, 2010

Appendix E



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Site DNL Calculator

For more information on using the noise calculator, to access the user guidebook, or send comments, please visit the following page: [Day/Night Noise Level Electronic Assessment Tool](#)

Guidelines:

- To display the Road and/or Rail DNL calculator(s), click on the "Add Road Source" and/or "Add Rail Source" button(s) below.
- All Road and Rail Input values must be positive non-decimal numbers.
- All Road and/or Rail DNL value(s) must be calculated separately before calculating the Site DNL.
- All checkboxes that apply must be checked for vehicles and trains in the tables' headers.
- **Note:** Tooltips, containing field specific information, have been added in this tool and may be accessed by hovering over all the respective data fields (site identification, roadway and railway assessment, DNL calculation results, roadway and railway input variables) with the mouse.

Providing Feedback & Corrections

After using the DNL Assessment Tool, following the directions in the User's Guide, users are encouraged to provide feedback on how the DNL Assessment Tool may be improved. Users are also encouraged to send comments or corrections for the improvement of the tool. Please send comments or other input to: ATEC@hud.gov

Related Information

- [Day/Night Noise Level Assessment Tool User Guide](#)
- [Day/Night Noise Level Assessment Tool Flowcharts](#)

System Requirements

- [Internet Explorer 6.0 or above](#)
- [Adobe Reader](#)
- Enabling JavaScript

Site ID
 Record Date
 User's Name

Road # 1 Name:

Road #1			
Vehicle Type	Cars <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Medium Trucks <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Heavy Trucks <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Effective Distance	730	730	730
Distance to Stop Sign	0	0	0
Average Speed	65	65	65
Average Daily Trips (ADT)	109759	12913	6456
Night Fraction of ADT	15	15	15
Road Gradient (%)			0
Vehicle DNL	52.6235	63.3294	70.6905
Calculate Road #1 DNL	71.4912	Reset	

Road # 2 Name:

Road #2			
Vehicle Type	Cars <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Medium Trucks <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Heavy Trucks <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Effective Distance	770	770	770
Distance to Stop Sign	0	0	0
Average Speed	45	45	45

Average Daily Trips (ADT)	13855	1630	815
Night Fraction of ADT	15	15	15
Road Gradient (%)			0
Vehicle DNL	40.0936	50.7994	57.1775
Calculate Road #2 DNL	58.1748	Reset	

Road # 3 Name: 'Transcontinental (W. Napoleon to W. Metairie'

Road #3			
Vehicle Type	Cars <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Medium Trucks <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Heavy Trucks <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Effective Distance	50	50	50
Distance to Stop Sign	0	0	0
Average Speed	35	35	35
Average Daily Trips (ADT)	18105	2130	1065
Night Fraction of ADT	15	15	15
Road Gradient (%)			0
Vehicle DNL	56.8855	67.5913	76.152
Calculate Road #3 DNL	76.7324	Reset	

77.931

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Keane, Rachel

From: Tom Haysley [thaysley@norpc.org]

Sent: Monday, July 26, 2010 3:14 PM

To: Keane, Rachel

Subject: RE: Traffic Count Data

Rachel,

The counts we have are below. We don't have any on Transcontinental north of W. Napoleon, but hopefully these will help.

Road	From	To	ADT	Year
W. Napoleon	David	Transcontinental	23700	2008
W. Napoleon	Transcontinental	Clearview	16300	2008
Transcontinental	W. Napoleon	W. Metairie	21300	2008

Thanks,

Tom Haysley
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From: Keane, Rachel [mailto:rachel.keane@psiusa.com]

Sent: Monday, July 26, 2010 1:41 PM

To: Tom Haysley

Subject: Traffic Count Data

Tom:

I am working on a HUD project in Jefferson Parish and I was wondering if you had traffic count data for the area. The project is located on the northeast corner of Transcontinental Drive and York Street. The project will be constructed on the open, grass-covered area on the Metairie Manor senior citizen residential facility. I have attached an aerial showing the project area. I am interested in traffic ADTs for Transcontinental Drive and West Napoleon Avenue closest to the project area.

Can you give me a call or send me the ADTs that you have via email? Thanks so very much!

Rachel A. Keane

Project Scientist

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Appendix F

1 FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS

Professional Service Industries, Inc. (PSI) performed a Phase I Environmental Site Assessment (Phase I ESA) of the property at Transcontinental Drive and York Street, Metairie, Louisiana 70001. The assessment included a Phase I ESA. PSI performed the assessment to comply with the contract between Christopher Homes, Inc. and PSI. The report should be read in its entirety to obtain a more complete understanding of the information provided and to aid in any decisions made or actions taken based on this information.

The subject property consists of approximately 1.6 acres of manicured, grass-covered land at the intersection of Transcontinental Drive and York Street in Metairie, Jefferson Parish, Louisiana. The subject property is associated with the Metairie Manor senior citizen residential development. There are no structures or other improvements located on the subject property. Please refer to Section 5.2 for a detailed discussion of the current uses of the subject property.

Based on a review of historic data, the subject property appears to have been wooded property since prior to 1891 until the construction of the Metairie Manor facility in 1980 when the subject property was developed as cleared, grass-covered property. Please refer to Section 5.3 for a detailed discussion of the past uses of the subject property.

Current uses of the adjoining and surrounding properties are as follows:

North: Developed with Hearst Street followed by residential and commercial development.
South: Developed with York Street followed by residential development.
East: Developed with Metairie Manor followed by Lemon Street and residential development.
West: Developed with Transcontinental Drive followed by residential development.

Please refer to Section 6.1 for a detailed discussion of the current uses of the adjoining and surrounding properties and Section 6.2 for a detailed discussion of the past uses of the adjoining and surrounding properties.

1.1 PHASE I ESA

1.1.1 Significant Data Gaps

Based on our experience, the information that we gathered and evaluated did not present significant data gaps that affected our ability to identify recognized environmental conditions (RECs) in connection with the subject property.

1.1.2 Historic Recognized Environmental Conditions

This assessment has revealed no evidence of historical recognized environmental conditions in connection with the subject property.

1.1.3 Recognized Environmental Conditions

PSI performed a Phase I Environmental Site Assessment of the subject property in conformance with the scope and limitations of ASTM Practice E 1527-05. Any exceptions to or deletions from this practice are described in Section 3.2 of this report. This assessment has revealed no evidence of recognized environmental conditions in connection with the property.

On-Site Conditions

- None were identified at this time.

Off-Site Conditions

- None were identified at this time.

1.2 RECOMMENDATIONS

PSI recommends no further assessment of the subject property at this time.