

ABBREVIATED RECORD OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATION

See 44 Code of Federal Regulation Part 10.

Project Name/Number: Jefferson Parish Volunteer Fire Department Station #63/ PW 11686-
Version 1/ FIPS# 051-06748-00

Project Location: 3824 Manhattan Avenue, Harvey, Jefferson Parish, Louisiana 70058
Latitude: 29.8525, Longitude: -90.0444

Project Description: High winds and heavy rainfall generated by Hurricane Katrina caused severe damages to the Jefferson parish volunteer fire department station #63. Version 1 of project 11686 is for additional scope of work needed to restore the station. The additional work includes removing and repairing siding, removing and replacing a brick veneer wall, repairing mechanical ductwork, replacing insulation, installing ceiling mounted fuel fired heaters and repairing plywood used in walls and floors. This version also includes a Hazard Mitigation Proposal to double the purlins spacing of the roof structure and to thicken the gauge of the roof deck.

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: Although this project would have qualified as a CATEX (xv) and (xvi) under 44 CFR part 10.8 (d)(2), this project meets the definition of critical infrastructure (permanent police and fire stations) under the Alternative Arrangements for NEPA compliance.

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, (item II-A-2 & 3: clean and repaint interior numerous walls and finishes areas, replace and paint sheetrock walls and ceilings), (item II-B-1, repairs to electrical systems: electrical wiring and fixtures, florescent wrap fixtures, exterior light fixtures, exterior sodium types and all related wiring to support and mechanical systems: replace several rooftop exhaust fans and side wall exhaust fans and related equipment), (item II-D-1, repainting of surfaces), (item II-D-2, replace numerous areas of aluminum siding in-kind on structure), (item II-D-5, 6 & 8, repairs to remove and rebuild exterior brick veneer walls, replace parapet capflashing, seam galvalume, remove and replace 92 lf of 8" Steel girders), (item II-E-1, repairs to 3685sf of roofing with pvc panels and provide 5-ea open top dumpsters to collect roofing debris for removal/disposal, replace 278 lf of aluminum fascia/gutters and 62 lf of downspouts and flashings), (item II-F-2, replace vinyl faced batt insulation 3685sf in ceiling below roof), (item II-H, building contents: replace 350sf of damaged carpet, replace, building interiors wood paneling), (item IX-A,B, & D, provide labor costs for general contracto , and heavy equipment use fees), of FEMA's Programmatic Agreement (PA) dated December 3, 2004. In accordance with the PA, FEMA is not required to determine the national register eligibility of properties where work performed meets the Appendix A criteria. In keeping with the stipulations of the PA, all proposed repair activities should be done in-kind to match existing materials and form. Any change to the approved scope of work will require resubmission for re-evaluation under Section 106

Correspondence/Consultation/References: NHPA effect determinations made by Wayne L. Wiggins, FEMA Historic Preservation Specialist.

ARCHEOLOGICAL RESOURCES

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

- Are project conditions required? Yes (see section V) No **(Review Concluded)**
- Adverse Effect Determination. (FEMA finding/ SHPO/THPO concurrence on file)
- Resolution of Adverse Effect completed. (MOA on file)
- Are project conditions required? Yes (see section V) No **(Review Concluded)**

Comments:

Correspondence/Consultation/References:

THREATENED AND ENDANGERED SPECIES

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

Comments:

Correspondence/Consultation/References: *Endangered Species Summary for consultation with USFWS; letter to Don Fairley from USFWS dated September 15, 2005.*

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 parish of Jefferson enrolled in the National Flood Insurance Program 10/01/71. Per Flood Insurance Rate Map 22051c0145e, dated 03/23/95, project is located in zone ae, 100-yr flood, base flood elevations and flood hazard factors determined. Project is repair of a building which was damaged by wind and wind driven rain. Project is to pre-disaster footprint and not likely to affect the floodplain.*

Correspondence/Consultation/References: *FEMA Flood Insurance Rate Map, Community Panel No. 22051c0145e, dated 03/23/95; Annie Spann, CFM*

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:

Correspondence/Consultation/References: USFWS NWI map accessed on-line (<http://wetlandsfws.er.usgs.gov/wlnds/launch.html>) September 25, 2006.

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

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

Comments: The statistics for area code 70058 are: 39.4 % Caucasian, 51.0 % African American, 5.6 % Asian, 18.8 % Individuals below poverty level

Correspondence/Consultation/References: U.S. Census bureau 2000 data at <http://factfinder.census.gov>, referenced September 25, 2006.

OTHER RELEVANT LAWS AND ENVIRONMENTAL REGULATIONS

- No impacts to other substantive laws/Executive Orders identified. Review concluded.
- Other applicable substantive laws/Executive Orders.

Comments:

Coastal Zone Management Act:

This project is located within the Louisiana Coastal Management Zone. Louisiana Department of Natural Resources (LDNR) 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 LDNR.. Projects may be coordinated by contacting LDNR at 1-800-267-4019.

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.

Formosan Termite Initiative Act:

In accordance with the Formosan Termite Initiative Act, (LA R.S. 3:3391.1 thru 3391.13) the Louisiana parishes of Calcasieu, Cameron, Jefferson Davis, Orleans, Jefferson, Plaquemines, St. Bernard, St. Charles, St. John the Baptist, St. Tammany, Tangipahoa and Washington are under quarantine. The movement of wood or cellulose material, temporary housing or architectural components (e.g. beams, doors and other wood salvaged from a structure) may not leave the quarantined parishes without written authorization from the Commissioner of the Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry or his designee(s).

Correspondence/Consultation/Reference: Project Scope of work and damage description from project worksheet 11686-version 1.

V. ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW PROJECT CONDITIONS

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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.

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