



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

Region 6

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September 4, 2012

Elizabeth Beam
ARCADIS U.S., Inc.
10352 Plaza Americana Drive
Baton Rouge, LA 70816

SUBJECT: State Project No. H.010151.2, I-210 Cove Lane/Nelson Road Interchange Improvement Project, Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana

Dear Ms. Beam,

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Region 6 has received your correspondence, dated August 22, 2012, regarding a request for information for the , I-210 Cove Lane/Nelson Road Interchange Improvement Project. In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act, and under Section 309 of the Clean Air Act, our agency has identified areas of concern that should be addressed in your Environmental Assessment:

- project area is within one mile of many EPA regulated facilities
- project area is over the Chicot Aquifer, an EPA designated sole source aquifer
- project may impact wetlands; a U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Section 404 permit may be required
- project area is within the 100 year floodplain
- rare and/or sensitive habitats/vegetation within 0.5 mile of project area; recommend coordination with the Louisiana Natural Heritage Program
- project area is within 0.65 mile of two schools
- project area is within the Calcasieu 1-hour ozone maintenance area

Please note that the proposed project may be subject to other federal, state, and local regulations. Please see attached documentation. Thank you for your coordination and don't hesitate to contact John MacFarlane, of my staff, at 214-665-7491 or macfarlane.john@epa.gov should you have any questions or concerns regarding this letter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Rhonda Smith", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

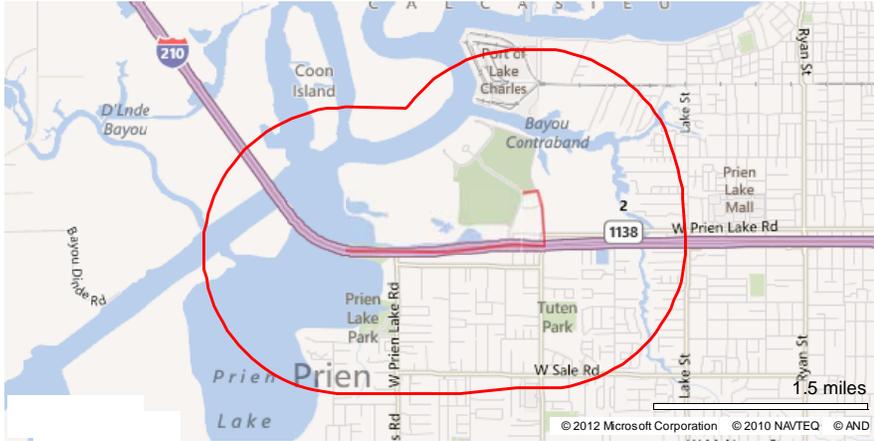
Rhonda Smith
Chief, Office of Planning and
Coordination

Enclosure



NEPAAssist

Project Location Map



Geographic coordinates:

LINE

(-93.272381,30.196135,-93.260622,30.196098,-93.252897,30.196766,-93.249292,30.196692,-93.249550,30.200549,-93.250022,30.202070,-93.251824,30.201996)
with buffer 1 miles

Length of digitized line 1.87 mi

Facility

- Within 1 miles of a hospital? no
- Within 1 miles of a TRI facility? no
- Within 1 miles of a regulated facility? yes
- Within 1 miles of an airport? no

Water

- Within 1 miles of a Wild and Scenic River? no
- Within 1 miles of an area over a Sole Source Aquifer? yes
- Within 1 miles of the 100 year flood plain? yes
- Within 1 miles of the 500 year flood plain? yes
- Within 1 miles of an NWI wetland? yes
- Within 1 miles of an NLCD wetland? yes

Ecology

- Within 1 miles of a federal/state park or wildlife area? no
- Within 1 miles of a critical habitat area? no
- Within 1 miles of a REAP Composite area that is within the Top 10% highest scores? no
- Within 1 miles of a REAP Diversity area that is within the Top 10% highest scores? yes
- Within 1 miles of a REAP Rarity area that is within the Top 10% highest scores? no
- Within 1 miles of a REAP Sustainability area that is within the Top 10% highest scores? no

Other

- Within 1 miles of a place on the National Historic Register? no
- Within 1 miles of a school? yes
- Within 1 miles of a nonattainment area? no
- Within 1 miles of a previous nonattainment, maintenance, or EAC area? yes
- Within 1 miles of a Tribal boundary or property of interest? no

NatureServe data

Within 1 miles of known rare, endangered, or at-risk species? [click here](#)

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