

**Louisiana Department of Natural Resources
OFFICE OF COASTAL MANAGEMENT**

Determination that No Coastal Use Permit is Required and Basis of Decision

Permit Application Number : P20230510

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Permit Processing Fees : \$ \$0.00 Mitigation Processing Fees : \$ \$0.00

A review of the permit application referenced above has shown that no Coastal User Permit is required for the following reason(s):

- X 1. Activity is located outside of the LA Coastal Zone. La. R.S. 49:214.25.E
- X 2. Activity is exempt from Coastal Use Permitting for the following reason(s) :
 - Activity is subject only to an In-Lieu Permit to drill an oil and gas well.
 - X Activity is located at an elevation of 5' MSL or higher.
 - Activity is located in a fastland.
 - Activity is for normal maintenance and repair of an existing facility
 - Activity is for the construction of a residence or a camp.
 - Activity is for construction of navigational aids.
 - Activity is for Agricultural, Forestry and Aquacultural Activities.
 - Activity was lawfully commenced prior to implementation of CUP process.
- 3. SOV - OCZ
- 4. SOV - Application Required
- 5. RFD - OCZ
- 6. RFD - Exempt for the following reason(s):
 - Activity is subject only to an In-Lieu Permit to drill an oil and gas well.
 - Activity is located at an elevation of 5' MSL or higher.
 - Activity is located in a fastland.
 - Activity is for normal maintenance and repair of an existing facility
 - Activity is for the construction of a residence or a camp.
 - Activity is for construction of navigational aids.
 - Activity is for Agricultural, Forestry and Aquacultural Activities.
 - Activity was lawfully commenced prior to implementation of CUP process.
- X 7. Activity is determined to be of No Direct and Significant Impact (NDSI) to coastal waters based upon its compliance with part (list number and letter) X of the October 4, 2012, NDSI criteria memo from Stephen Chustz (DNR Secretary).
- 8. Activity is in compliance with Office of Coastal Management General Permit, GP

Reviewed by :



Coastal Resource Analyst

09/05/2023

Date

Approved by :



Permit Section Coordinator

09/11/2023

Date

Concurrence (if applicable)

Mitigation Section Coordinator

Date

BASIS OF DECISION

Pursuant to LAC 43:1.723(C)(8)(a), after a careful review of the facts supplied in the application for the proposed use, and the information in the administrative record provided by the applicant or otherwise; comparing each of the Coastal Use Guidelines to the final complete application for applicability and for compliance, ultimately reviewed and provided as findings in **THE BASIC FINDINGS AND GUIDELINE CONFORMANCE CHECKLIST**, and the **NEEDS / ALTERNATIVES REVIEW** prepared for this permit application and filed in the record of this application review, made a part of this document by reference in extenso, the application is determined to be compliant with the guidelines as supported by the evidence contained in the record, and the following ultimate findings are made and from which the decision of granting a coastal use permit flows from the facts in the record. After careful review of the proposed use, and after due consideration of the resource agencies' comments and those from the public, and any subsequent modifications to the original and amending applications, the current posture of the application is that **the potential and real adverse environmental effects of the proposed use been avoided to the maximum extent possible.**

1. After careful review of the proposed use, and after due consideration of the resource agencies' comments and those from the public, and any subsequent modifications to the original and amending applications, the current posture of the application is that a cost benefit analysis of the environmental impact costs balanced against the social and economic benefits of the proposed use demonstrates that **the social and economic benefits outweigh the environmental costs.**
2. After careful review of the proposed use, and after due consideration of the resource agencies' comments and those from the public, and any subsequent modifications to the original and amending applications, the current posture of the application is that there are **no alternative projects which would offer more protection to the environment** than the proposed use without unduly curtailing non-environmental benefits.
3. After careful review of the proposed use, and after due consideration of the resource agencies' comments and those from the public, and any subsequent modifications to the original and amending applications, the current posture of the application is that there are **no alternative sites** which would offer more protection to the environment than the proposed use site without unduly curtailing non-environmental benefits.
4. After careful review of the proposed use, and after due consideration of the resource agencies' comments and those from the public, and any subsequent modifications to the original and amending applications, the current posture of the application is that there are **no further mitigating measures** which would offer more protection to the environment than the use as proposed without unduly curtailing non-environmental benefits.
5. After careful review of the proposed use, and after due consideration of the resource agencies' comments and those from the public, and any subsequent modifications to the original and amending applications, the current posture of the application is that the decision to grant this coastal use permit application is consistent with the state program, including all applicable conditions to ensure the mitigation of coastal resource ecological values which would be lost due to the use.
6. After careful review of the proposed use, and after due consideration of the resource agencies' comments and those from the public, and based upon substantial consideration of any local government comments, and the comments or absence thereof from the approved local programs for affected parishes, and any subsequent modifications to the original and amending applications, the current posture of the application is that the decision to grant this coastal use permit application is consistent with the approved local programs for affected parishes.

All of the above consideration is conditioned upon the applicant abiding by the conditions set forth in the permit. For the reasons cited above, the Office of Coastal Management has decided to grant authorization for this coastal use.