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DEPARTMENT OF CULTURE, RECREATION & TOURISM
OFFICE OF CULTURAL DEVELOPMENT
DIVISION OF ARCHAEOLOGY

KRISTIN P. SANDERS ASSISTANT SECRETARY

6 January 2022

Howard Brandon Fishery Biologist National Marine Fiseries Service 5757 Corporate Blvd, #375 Baton Rouge, LA 70808

Re: Revised Draft Report

La Division of Archaeology Report No. 22-6938

Phase I Cultural Resources Survey of the North Delacroix Marsh Creation and Terracing Project (BS-0041), St. Bernard Parish, Louisiana

Dear Howard Brandon:

We acknowledge receipt of your letter dated 16 November 2021 and one copy of the above-referenced report.

Based on the description of the Area of Potential Effect (APE), the proposed ground-disturbing activities, and the identification of historic properties within the APE, our office concurs with the assessment that no properties listed in or eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places will be affected by this project. Our office has no further concerns for this project.

Consultation with the State Historic Preservation Office does not constitute consultation with Tribal Historic Preservation Offices, other Native American tribes, local governments, or the public. If archaeological materials are encountered during construction, the procedures codified at 36 CFR 800.13(b) will apply. Archaeological materials consist of any items, fifty years old or older, which were made or used by man. These items include but are not limited to, stone projectile points (arrowheads), ceramic sherds, bricks, worked wood, bone and stone, metal, and glass objects. The federal agency or the applicant receiving federal assistance should contact our office immediately. If human remains are encountered, the provisions of the Louisiana Unmarked Human Burial Sites Preservation Act (Revised Statute 8:671-681) should be followed.

We are accepting the report as final; no further submissions are necessary. If you have any questions, please contact Chip McGimsey at <a href="mailto:cmcgimsey@crt.la.gov">cmcgimsey@crt.la.gov</a> or 225-219-4598.

Sincerely,

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15 June 2022

Brandon Howard Federal Project Manager National Marine Fisheries Service 5757 Corporate Blvd, #375 Baton Rouge, LA 70808

Re: Draft Report

La Division of Archaeology Report No. 22-7053

Phase I Submerged Cultural Resources Survey and Remote Sensing Investigations in Lake Amedee and Surrounding Waterbodies for the North Delacroix Marsh Creation and Terracing Project (BS-0041), St. Bernard Parish, Louisiana

Dear Brandon Howard:

We acknowledge receipt of your letter dated 13 June 2022 and one copy of the above-referenced report.

The Appendix B maps do not show all magnetic anomalies; compare Figures 3.5 and 3.6 with the maps on Appendix B pages 11 and 14. We recognize that there are numerous anomalies in these areas, but without labeling each of them, it is impossible for the reader to determine their location. In particular, Anomaly Mag 0230 which is recommended for avoidance cannot be found in the Appendix B map.

Based on the description of the Area of Potential Effect (APE), the proposed ground-disturbing activities, and the identification of historic properties within the APE, our office concurs with the assessment that the 56 side-scan sonar contacts and all but two of the 260 magnetic anomalies are not eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places. The report recommends that Magnetic Anomaly 0230 and 0260 may represent cultural resources of undetermined eligibility and should be avoided. Both anomalies lie within what appear to be modern dredged channels. Anomaly 0230 lies in the Reggio Canal that appears as early as the 1939 topographic map, although it likely does not predate that time by many years. Anomaly 0260 lies in a canal that was created between 1968 and 1994 based on topographic maps. Our office is of the opinion that both anomalies likely represent relatively modern items and do not represent a historically significant shipwreck. We recommend that both anomalies be considered not eligible for nomination to the National Register.

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We look forward to receiving one bound, double-sided hard copy of the final report along with a pdf copy. If you have any questions, please contact Chip McGimsey at <a href="mailto:cmcgimsey@crt.la.gov">cmcgimsey@crt.la.gov</a> or 225-219-4598.

Sincerely,

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## UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration NATIONAL MARINE FISHERIES SERVICE

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July 06, 2022 F/SER46/BH

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Ms. Kristin Sanders State Historic Preservation Office Post Office Box 44247 Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804-4247

Re: REVISED FINAL REPORT: North Delacroix Marsh Creation and Terracing Project (BS-41), Lake Amedee, Breton Sound Basin, St. Bernard Parish.

Dear Ms. Sanders:

NOAA's National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) met with staff from your office on September 3, 2020, regarding the adjacent East Delacroix Marsh Creation and Terracing Project (BS-37) and received technical assistance pertaining to consultation needs. Due to COVID travel restrictions, we were not able to hold such a meeting for this project (BA-41 North Delacroix Marsh Creation and Terracing). However, we followed the technical assistance provided by your office given for BS-37. We previously hand delivered (16 November 2021) the Phase I Cultural Resources Survey of the North Delacroix Marsh Creation and Terracing Project (BS-41) and (15 December 2021) the Phase I Submerged Cultural Resources and Remote Sensing Investigation for the North Delacroix Marsh Creation and Terracing Project (BS-41), Lake Leary.

The REVISED FINAL REPORT for Lake Amedee and the access route corridor is being provided to your office via hand delivery. This report includes one bound, double-sided hard copy of the report and appendices, a pdf version of the report and all appendices, and a shapefile of the project area(s).

If you wish to discuss this project further or have questions, please contact me at (561) 282-7088, or by email at Brandon. Howard@noaa.gov. Thank you for your assistance.

> The Final Report has been reviewed and accepted.

Report # 22-7053

Kristin P. Sanders

State Historic Preservation Officer

Date 07/06/2022

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