



Regulatory and Commenting Agency Permitting Roles in the Louisiana Coastal Zone

March 1, 2012 Baton Rouge

March 28, 2012 Lafayette

OCM will be holding two full-day seminars titled “Regulatory and Commenting Agency Permitting Roles in the Louisiana Coastal Zone” (see agenda below). The goal of these seminars is to provide coastal users with an idea of the roles various state and federal agencies assume during review of OCM/COE applications. The first seminar will be held March 1, 2012 in the LaBelle Room at DNR’s LaSalle Building in Baton Rouge, LA (617 N Third Street). The second seminar will be held March 28, 2012 in the Conference Room at NOAA's Estuarine Habitats and Coastal Fisheries Center in Lafayette, LA (646 Cajundome Blvd). The seminars are free but space is limited so we are requesting pre-registration in order to get a headcount. Please contact our office at OCMinfo@la.gov or 225-342-7953 to reserve your spot. If demand for the seminars exceeds available space, additional seminars will be scheduled.

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| 8:15 – 9:45 | Introduction; Overview of LDNR/OCM Coastal Use Permitting Process (Christine Charrier, Permits Division Manager; Jay Pecot, Permits Division Coastal Resource Scientist) |
| 9:45 – 10:15 | LDEQ Water Quality Certification Process (Jamie Phillippe, Environmental Quality Scientist) |
| 10:15 – 10:30 | Break |
| 10:30 – 10:50 | LDWF Ecological Studies, LNHP Program, Oyster Seed Grounds, WMA’s and Scenic Rivers (Dave Butler, Permits Coordinator; Carolyn Michon, LNHP Coordinator) |
| 10:50 – 11:20 | NOAA Sections 10 and 404: NMFS Oversight, Concerns and Actions (Lisa Abernathy, Fisheries Biologist) |
| 11:20 – 12:30 | Lunch on your own |
| 12:30 – 2:00 | USCOE Regulatory Program and What It Means to You; Update on Mitigation – Modified Charleston Method (Pete Serio – Chief, Regulatory Branch) |
| 2:00 – 2:15 | Break |
| 2:15 – 2:45 | LDNR/OCM Compensatory Mitigation Program Update (Kelley Templet, Mitigation Division Manager) |
| 2:45 – 3:05 | USFWS Wetland Regulatory Program: The Role of the USFWS (Seth Bordelon, Wildlife Biologist) |
| 3:05 – 3:25 | EPA Role in CWA Section 404 Permitting (Barbara Aldridge 3/1; Raul Gutierrez 3/28) |
| 3:25 – 3:40 | Questions and Closing Remarks (Christine Charrier, Permits Division Manager; Jay Pecot, Permits Division Coastal Resource Scientist) |