



Environmental Issues Prioritization Exercise

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ROD COMMITMENTS	ISSUES ADDRESSED	MOST IMPORTANT	SOMEWHAT IMPORTANT	LEAST IMPORTANT	COMMENTS
1. Displacements	Provide comprehensive relocation assistance where displacements are unavoidable in accordance with federal law and the LCG Corridor Preservation and Management Action Plan, which is part of the Joint Cooperative Endeavor Agreement in the EIS.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
2. Standing Structures and Archaeological Investigations	Implement the 2002 MOA for archaeological resources in conjunction with the Corridor Preservation Plan.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
3. Sterling Grove Historic District	Develop the Mitigation Plan for visual impacts to Sterling Grove in the 2002 MOA with public participation.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
4. Other Historic Properties	Consult with the SHPO regarding impacts to other historic properties.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
5. Noise	Minimize construction noise using state and federal standards and stopping work near churches during services; mitigate noise impacts at St. Genevieve and LeRosen Schools through installation of acoustic windows; LCG would mitigate noise in new or rehabilitated properties through planning and zoning.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
6. Air Quality	Minimize air quality impacts during construction using state and federal standards. No impacts are expected during operation.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
7. Waste Sites	Make special consideration for construction in contaminated areas including, but not necessarily limited to, excavation of contaminated material; ensure permanent closure of underground tanks in right-of-way; and develop a construction plan to be approved by LDEQ to prevent the spread of contamination and to protect the Chicot Aquifer.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
8. Water Quality	Impacted water wells will be closed to protect the aquifer and sediment and erosion control practices will be used to minimize problems during construction.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
9. Chicot Aquifer	Design with plan review and approval by USEPA, LDEQ, and others as appropriate, will be implemented to avoid contamination.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
10. Lafayette Regional Airport Runway/Taxiway Displacement	Address all airport modifications needed to accommodate University Avenue Interchange; incorporate special design modifications to the interchange; mitigate any impacts to wetlands or other waters of the US in the right-of-way.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
11. Wetlands	Minimize impacts to the possible area of wetlands.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
12. Vermilion River	Design the bridge to accommodate a flood with a probability of happening once in 100 years; employ erosion control measures to minimize impacts during construction.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	



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13. Parks (Section 4(f) and 6(f) Properties)	Ensure appropriate access and egress to Jean Lafitte National Historic Park and Beaver Park.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
14. Live Oak Trees	Take measures to preserve the heritage live oak in the right-of-way, including shifting the roadway structure up to 25 feet and providing for post construction care.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
15. Construction Debris	During construction, removal of debris will be the responsibility of the contractor as required by the state and federal regulations and DOTD specifications.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
16. Destination Signing and Traffic Control Plans	During construction, directional signage and detours will be developed using national standards and DOTD policy, including maintaining access and egress to the parks.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
17. Local Access and Circulation	This commitment ensures that 13 cross streets from Kaliste Saloom to Castille will remain open and that special study will be made of Grieg Street.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
18. Community Impacts and Cohesion	Minimize community impacts through the Joint Use Development Plan to be developed. Project design will ensure vehicular and pedestrian access across the right-of-way. During design, DOTD will provide for increasing the roadway elevation above minimum requirements and will make considerations for enhancing the appearance of the structure.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
19. Corridor Preservation	DOTD will manage the land acquisition process for the corridor in cooperation with FHWA and Acadiana Planning Commission using the LCG Corridor Preservation Plan.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
20. Facility Construction	Minimize impacts to vehicular and pedestrian movements during construction through detailed signing plans and construction techniques. Construction noise is addressed in Commitment 5 and debris removal and disposal is addressed in Commitment 15.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
21. Joint Use Development Plan	DOTD will prepare a Joint Use Development Plan regarding enhancements including local agency and public input and elements of mitigation plans for historic resources.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

OTHER ISSUES AND CONCERNS	
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