

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

NEW ORLEANS DISTRICT, CORPS OF ENGINEERS
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March 8, 2013

REPLY TO ATTENTION OF:

Operations Division Regulatory Branch Project Manager Stephen D. Pfeffer (504) 862-2227

SUBJECT: MVN-2009-00436-MS

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public Notice Purpose: Pursuant to Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of March 3, 1899 (30 Stat. 1151; 33 USC 403) and Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (86 Stat. 816; 33 USC 1344), the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New Orleans District, Regulatory Branch is soliciting comments from all interested parties on the development, utilization and long-term management of a proposed mitigation bank. The purpose of this mitigation bank is to provide compensatory mitigation for unavoidable impacts to wetland resources, including other waters of the United States, that result from projects authorized through the Department of the Army permit program.

GRAND CANARD MITIGATION BANK, ADDENDUM II <u>IN JEFFERSON DAVIS PARISH</u>

<u>NAME OF APPLICANT</u>: Third Louisiana Resource, LLC, c/o Resource Environmental Solutions, 412 North Fourth Street, Suite 300, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70802.

LOCATION OF WORK: The Addendum II Site is located in Jefferson Davis Parish, Louisiana, in Sections 22, 23, 26, and 27, Township 11 South, Range 6 West at latitude 30.069651° north and longitude 92.956181° west within United States Geological Survey (USGS) Cataloging Unit 08080202. More specifically, the Bank is located approximately 2.35 miles south of Bell City, Louisiana.

<u>CHARACTER OF WORK</u>: The Addendum II Site totals approximately 280.2 acres, of which 276.7 acres of freshwater marsh will be restored and enhanced. The proposed mitigation work plan includes the complete degradation of 31,745 linear feet of interior levees, filling of 22,131 linear feet of internal ditches and the gapping of 200 linear feet of perimeter levee. The Sponsor anticipates the majority of the Addendum II Site will naturally revegetate; however, the Sponsor proposes to install plugs on at least 25% of the Addendum II Site at a rate of 2,700 plugs per acre. Additional details regarding the proposed restoration work are contained in the attached mitigation work plan.

The Corps of Engineers is soliciting written comments from the public; federal, state, and local agencies and officials; Indian Tribes; and other interested parties. The comment period will close 30 days from the date of this public notice advertisement. Written comments, including suggestions for modifications or objections to the proposed work, stating reasons thereof, are being solicited from anyone having interest in this prospectus. Letters must reference the applicant's name and the subject number, be addressed and mailed to the above address, ATTENTION: REGULATORY BRANCH.

You are requested to communicate the information contained in this notice to any other parties whom you deem likely to have interest in the matter.

Martin S. Mayer Chief, Regulatory Branch