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REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF:

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SUBJECT: MVN-2009-0458-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.

**PROPOSED OAKLAWN ADDENDUM TO THE MOSSY HILL MITIGATION BANK
IN SAINT TAMMANY PARISH**

NAME OF APPLICANT: Ecosystem Investment Partners, 29 West Susquehanna Avenue, Suite 500, Towson, Maryland 21204.

LOCATION OF WORK: The project area is located approximately 8 miles east - northeast of Abita Springs within portions of Sections 23, 24, 25 and 26 of Township 6 South – Range 13 East in Saint Tammany Parish, Louisiana.

CHARACTER OF WORK: The proposed addendum lands total approximately 212 acres. The proposal consists of the enhancement of approximately 128.5 acres of wet longleaf pine savannas/flatwoods, 62 acres of wet slash pine/pond cypress, and 21.5 acres of upland pine flatwood inclusions. The proposed mitigation includes the implementation of a fire regime and vegetative/hydrologic restoration components. Attached for review is the Oaklawn Addendum Mitigation 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.

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Attachments