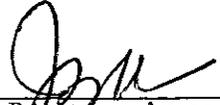


LOUISIANA WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES COMMISSION

Approved: 2/11/87



J. Burton Angelle

BOARD MEETING

February 6, 1987

DALE VINET
Chairman

Alexandria, Louisiana

AGENDA

LOUISIANA WILDLIFE & FISHERIES COMMISSION
ALEXANDRIA, LOUISIANA
February 6, 1987

1. Roll Call
2. Approval of Minutes of January 9, 1987
3. Enforcement Report
4. Survey Report
5. Notice of Intent - Establish Public Oyster Seed Grounds - Vermilion Bay Area
6. Ratify Seismic Rules and Regulations Changes
7. Introduction of Fur and Alligator Council
8. Fish Seine Permit - Old River Lake, Vidalia, and Old River Lake, Deer Park, Concordia Parish, La.
9. Diversion Wallop-Breaux Funds - Discussion and Resolution
10. I & E Annual Report
11. Concordia Parish Police Jury-Discuss Jury Request to Prohibit Fish Seine Use on the Louisiana Side of the Mississippi River
12. Set April Meeting Date

MINUTES OF MEETING OF
LOUISIANA WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES COMMISSION

February 6, 1987

Chairman Dale Vinet presiding:

Jack Cappel
Lyle Crain
Don Hines
Joe Palmisano
Warren Pol
Mark Roberts

Mr. J. Burton Angelle was also present.

The minutes of the meeting of January 9, 1987 were approved with a motion from Dr. Hines and seconded by Dr. Cappel.

Winton Vidrine, Assistant Chief for the Enforcement Division presented the Enforcement Report for the month of January 1987 at Thursday's meeting.

Corky Perret gave the Survey Report for the period of January 5th through February 1, 1987. During this period 119 surveys were scheduled, 71 surveys were unable to be done due to bad weather or fishermen unable to meet surveyor. Lease rental collected was \$211,152.79, survey fees collected were \$11,807.20, 98 applications were filed and 10 new leases were issued. This was done at Thursday's meeting.

Corky Perret also presented a Notice of Intent to establish public oyster seed grounds in the Vermilion Bay Area. This was put into the form of a motion made by Dr. Cappel and seconded by Mr. Crain which was unanimously approved.

(The full text of the Notice of
Intent is made a part of the record)

It is the intent of the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission to establish a public oyster seed ground in portions of Vermilion, East & West Cote Blanche and Atchafalaya Bays, pursuant to the authority given to the Commission in R. S. 56:434. A map of the exact boundaries can be seen in the offices of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, Darnell Road, New Iberia; Texas Gulf Road; Bourg and 400 Royal Street, New Orleans.

Corky Perret also presented the rule to change the seismic rules and regulations. Dr. Hines made a motion to approved this change, seconded by Dr. Cappel and unanimously approved.

(The full text of the rule change is made a part of the record)

24) A fee of \$135.00 per seismic agent per day will be charged seismic operators. This fee will be reviewed each January. All payments will be made by the seismic operator directly to the Department on or before the 20th of each month. No payments are to be made to the Seismic Agents.

Johnnie Tarver announced that the Fur and Alligator Council would be introduced by Mr. J. Burton Angelle. The members were introduced and presented with a certificate at this time. They are as follow:

James Gallaspy
Benjamin Welsh
Wilson Gaidry
Robert Watson
John Donahue
Roger Vincent, Jr.
Kermit Coulon
Lynn Gagnon
Donald Ansardi

Bennie Fontenot presented a notice of intent to prohibit fish seining on the Louisiana sides of Old River Lake, Vidalia, and Old River Lake, Deer Park, Concordia Parish. Dr. Cappel made a motion to accept, seconded by Mr. Vinet which was unani- mously approved.

(The full text of the Notice of Intent is made a part of the record)

The Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission hereby advertises its intent to prohibit fish seining on the Louisiana sides of Old River Lake, Vidalia, and Old River Lake, Deer Park, Concordia Parish, Louisiana; except, that fish seining will be legal under a special permit as described below:

SPECIAL COMMERCIAL FISH SEINING PERMIT NUMBER _____

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

FOR PERIOD: January 1, _____ to December 31, _____

This permit entitles the holder, who must have a valid fish seine license, to conduct legal fish seining operations on the

Louisiana sides of Old River Lake, Vidalia, and Old River Lake, Deer Park, Concrodia Parish, Louisiana.

In addition to existing Louisiana fish seining rules the following special permit regulations shall apply:

- (1) Seining shall be permitted only on Monday through Friday, during daylight hours from sunrise to sunset.
- (2) Permittee shall notify Enforcement Personnel, Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, located at the Region IV office headquarters, Ferriday, Louisiana, at least twenty-four (24) hours prior to conducting each seining operation.
- (3) Permittee shall make every effort to conduct seining operations as per R.S. Title 56, Section 328 which states: 'Nets shall not be hauled out upon the shore in such a way that any illegal fish which may happen to be taken therein cannot be returned to the water without injury.'
- (4) Permittee shall leave no fish captured during a seining operation, on or in the vicinity of the shoreline.
- (5) Permittee must have this permit on his person while using or transporting commercial fish seines in the above described waters.
- (6) Failure to comply with the terms of this permit or any Louisiana commercial fishing regulations, or any Mississippi State commercial fishing regulations on the Mississippi side of the above Lakes shall result in immediate cancellation of the permit, and the option to deny the issuance of another seine permit in the future.
- (7) This permit is issued on a calendar year basis and shall be renewed each year.

Secretary
La. Dept. of Wildlife and Fisheries

I have read and understand the terms of this permit and agree to comply.

SIGNATURE: _____

COMMERCIAL FISHERMAN LICENSE NO.: _____

Interested persons may submit written comments on the proposed rule until 4:30 PM, March 16, 1987 to the following address: J. Burton Angelle, Secretary, Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, P. O. Box 15570, Baton Rouge, LA 70895.

Bennie also presented a resolution regarding the diversion of Wallop-Breaux funds. Mr. Crain made a motion to accept this resolution, seconded by Dr. Cappel and unanimously approved.

(The full text of the Notice of Intent is made a part of the record)

WHEREAS, in 1950 the Congress established the Dingell-Johnson Sport Fish Restoration Program to promote natural resource protection and enhance recreational opportunities with funds provided by taxes levied on selected recreational equipment, and

WHEREAS, in 1984, because of the efforts of recreationists, conservationists, and the sport fishing and boating industries, that program was enhanced by additional recreation-related taxes and the establishment of the Wallop-Breaux Trust Fund, and

WHEREAS, the law passed by Congress in 1950, as amended in 1984, requires that the monies within the Wallop-Breaux Trust Fund be a continuing appropriation for return to the states on an annual basis, less a deduction of 6% by the administrating agency for overhead costs, and

WHEREAS, the monies proportionately returned to the states are earmarked by law to be used for sportfish restoration and enhancement activities including lake construction, motor-boat access, fisheries management and research, and

WHEREAS, the President and other Administration officials publicly enforced the 1984 amendment and the willingness of recreationists to tax themselves to pay for desired programs, and

WHEREAS, Secretary of the Interior, Donald Hodel, proposed to transfer \$25 million in fiscal 1988 from the Wallop-Breaux Trust Fund to the Fish and Wildlife Service's Resource Management Account to be used for basic operations, and

WHEREAS, this action is contrary to the Congressional intent of the legislation and breaks faith with the boaters and fishermen who pay these user fees in return for fish restoration and enhancement activities, now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission that--

- (1) Secretary Hodel is urged to honor and comply with those continuing appropriation and ear-marking provisions of the Wallop-Breaux Trust Fund as directed by law.
- (2) the monies due and owed to the states under the terms of the Trust Fund should not be diverted nor delayed.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Secretary Hodel and all members of the Louisiana Congressional delegation.

Bob Dennie gave a report on the Information and Education Division for the year 1986. One important item that he talked about was the fact that Boating Education program was being upgraded but it is not as successful as the Hunter Safety Education program because Boating Safety is not mandatory. The Department is working with Sheriff departments throughout the state to stress the importance of the boating safety program.

Concordia Parish Police Jury request to prohibit fish seine use on the Louisiana side of the Mississippi River was tabled.

The April meeting date was set for Thursday and Friday, April 2-3, 1987 in Baton Rouge.

The meeting was adjourned.

NOTICE OF INTENT

Department of Wildlife & Fisheries

Wildlife & Fisheries Commission

It is the intent of the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission to establish a public oyster seed ground in portions of Vermilion, East & West Cote Blanche and Atchafalaya Bays, pursuant to the authority given to the Commission in R.S. 56:434. A map of the exact boundaries can be seen in the offices of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, Darnell Road, New Iberia; Texas Gulf Road, Bourg and 400 Royal St., New Orleans.

Interested persons may submit written comments relative to the proposed action until 4:30 P.M. on April 29, 1987 at the following address: Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, P.O. Box 15570, Baton Rouge, LA 70895 attention J. Burton Angelle. Additionally the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission will take up the setting aside of the oyster seed ground at its regular meeting on April 30 and May 1, 1987.

HOW THE SPORT FISH RESTORATION PROGRAM WORKS:

The Wallop-Breaux Trust Fund (Aquatic Resources Trust Fund) is comprised of two separate accounts.

Boating Safety Account:

1. Receives the first \$60 million attributable to the sale of motorboat fuels (FY 1987 only, thereafter reverts back to \$45 million).

[Prior to enactment of Wallop-Breaux legislation, all taxes (not to exceed \$60 million) attributable to the sale of motorboat fuels that were not used to support activities of the National Recreational Boating Safety and Facilities Improvement Fund were deposited in the Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF). Wallop-Breaux still provides for an annual transfer of \$1 million of these taxes to the LWCF. The Treasury Department estimates that 1.08% of taxes collected on nationwide fuel sales is attributable to motorboat usage.]

Sport Fish Restoration Account:

1. Receives all remaining revenues from motorboat fuel collections.
2. Receives all manufacturers' excise taxes from fishing tackle and tackle boxes (10%), flasher type fish finders (3%) and electric trolling motors (3%).
3. Receives all duties assessed on imported yachts and pleasure craft and imported fishing tackle.
4. Receives interest on funds deposited but not yet expended from the trust fund account.

Apportionment Formula:

- 40% on the basis of land and water area including coastal and Great lakes waters.
- 60% on the basis of paid fishing license holders.

Maximum apportioned to a State: 5% of total funds apportioned.

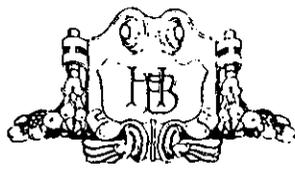
Minimum apportioned to a State: 1% of total funds apportioned.

Puerto Rico receives 1% of total funds apportioned; Guam, American Samoa, U.S. Virgin Islands, Northern Mariana Islands, and the District of Columbia each receives 1/3 of 1%.

The funds are apportioned annually to States for sport fish restoration and enhancement activities including lake construction and motorboat access, fisheries management and research. These funds are available for obligation over a two year period. If any funds are not obligated during that two year increment or if greater than two year obligated funds are not fully expended when a project is terminated, all remaining amounts will revert to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service for research benefiting fish of material value for sport or recreation. To assist States in their early planning efforts, each year a Preliminary Apportionment is made by the first of October and a Final Apportionment is sent out several months later after all tax collections are tabulated.

WALLOP-BREAUX PROVISIONS

- a) **Administrative Deduction** - The Wallop-Breaux provisions of the Deficit Reduction Act of 1984 calls for reducing the amount of funds deducted by the Fish and Wildlife Service for administration of the program from 8% to 6%. Since 1952, program administrative deductions have averaged 6.2%.
- b) **Aquatic Resources Education** - Up to 10% of the States's apportionment may be used by States to fund an aquatic resources education program. Several States have implemented programs in FY 86 and more are expected to be approved in FY 87.
- c) **Boating Facilities** - No less than 10% of each apportionment must be used for boating facilities. Any amount of the 10% remaining unused after 2 years will revert to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service separately from the State's remaining W-B apportionment. A broad array of activities related to the State fishery program may qualify. Included are ramps and boat lifts, docking facilities, breakwaters, fishing and boating lakes and ponds (providing power boats are permitted), fish cleaning stations, rest rooms, trash receptacles and parking areas.
 - Maintenance of existing boating access facilities is to be permitted.
 - Marinas, if they support the State's sport fish management objective, also may be allowable.
- d) **Prospective purchase** - States may acquire or develop facilities over a period of years using future apportionments.
- e) **District of Columbia participation** - The District of Columbia, authorized 1/3 of 1% of the amount apportioned to the States, has set up an aggressive Sport Fish program. A fishing license proposal is under consideration.
- f) **Coastal States** - Coastal States and territories must equitably distribute "New" revenue (from added funding sources) between fresh and saltwater activities. To develop project spending ratios, most States have agreed to use the latest National Survey data to estimate numbers of resident fresh water and resident salt water anglers.
- g) A regulation has been issued to ensure that States do not shift sport fishery funds available from traditional sources out of the sport fishery program and replace these shifted funds with W-B apportionments.



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CONVENTION & CATERING EVENT ORDER

Direct Bill Payment in Advance Deposit Rec'd \$ _____ Contract Rec'd Rooming List Rec'd
 Salesperson C. Dale Ray File # 67175
 Name of Group Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries
 Address P.O. Box 15570 Baton Rouge, LA 70895
 Type of Function Meeting Room Solarium/Venetian
 Day Thursday Date February 5, 1987 Time 2:00 P.M.-5:00 P.M.
 Attendance See Below GTD _____ Set _____ Contact Paula Calais Phone 504-342-5878
 On-Site Contact _____ Phone _____

Set-Up:

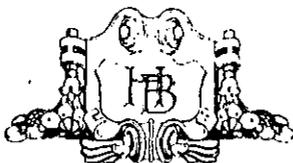
2:00 P.M. - 5:00 P.M. Solarium Room
 Head Table for 8
 Podium with Built in P.A. on Head Table
 Theatre Style Seating for 50

7:00 P.M. - 10:00 P.M. Venetian Room
 Head Table for 8
 Podium with Mike on Head Table
 Theatre Style Seating for 175

Bar Requirements: Host Cash
 Mixed: House _____ Premium _____
 Beer: Domestic _____ Imported _____
 Wine Glass _____ Carafe _____
 Liqueurs: _____
 Soft Drinks: _____
 Open: _____ Close: _____
 Bartender Charge: _____

Menu:

Room Charge \$220.00 plus tax.
 Service Charge _____
 Labor Charge _____



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CONVENTION & CATERING EVENT ORDER

Direct Bill Payment in Advance Deposit Rec'd \$ _____ Contract Rec'd Rooming List Rec'd
 Salesperson C. Dale Ray File # 67175
 Name of Group Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries
 Address P.O. Box 15570 Baton Rouge, LA 70895
 Type of Function Meeting Room Solarium
 Day Friday Date February 6, 1987 Time 10:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.
 Attendance 50 GTD _____ Set _____ Contact Paula Calais Phone 504-342-5878
 On-Site Contact _____ Phone _____

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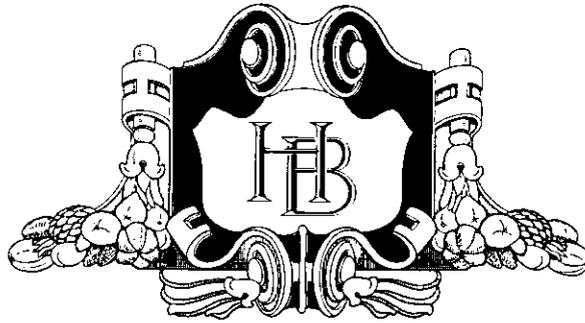
10:00 A.M. - 12:00 Noon Solarium Room

 Head Table for 8
 Podium with Built in P.A. on Head Table
 Theatre Style Seating for 50

Bar Requirements: Host Cash
 Mixed: House _____ Premium _____
 Beer: Domestic _____ Imported _____
 Wine Glass _____ Carafe _____
 Liqueurs: _____
 Soft Drinks: _____
 Open: _____ Close: _____
 Bartender Charge: _____

Menu:

Room Charge \$20.00 plus tax.
 Service Charge _____
 Labor Charge _____



December 12, 1986

Ms. Paula Calais
Louisiana Department of
Wildlife and Fisheries
P.O. Box 15570
Baton Rouge, LA 70895

Dear Ms. Calais:

Thank you and the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries for selecting Hotel Bentley for your upcoming function.

The following space has been reserved for you and your group attending on Thursday and Friday - February 5, 6, 1987:

Thursday - February 5, 1987

2:00 P.M. - 5:00 P.M. Meeting
Theatre Style Seating for 50
Head Table for ~~three~~ with Podium and P.A.
Rental fee of \$20.00, plus tax.

7:00 P.M. - 10:00 P.M. Meeting
Theatre Style Seating for 175
Head Table for ~~six~~ with Podium and P.A.
Rental fee of \$200.00 plus tax.

Friday - February 6, 1987

10:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M. Meeting
Theatre Style Seating for 50
Head Table for ~~three~~ with Podium and P.A.
Rental fee of \$20.00 plus tax.

Any food or beverage in the meeting rooms must be purchased from Hotel Bentley.

We have blocked fifteen (15) guest rooms on the night of Thursday - February 5, 1987, for one night. This block of rooms will only be held until January 25, 1987, at which time, we will need your rooming list. The rate for a single or double is \$40.00 plus tax. It is our understanding that individuals will be responsible for payment of their own accommodations.

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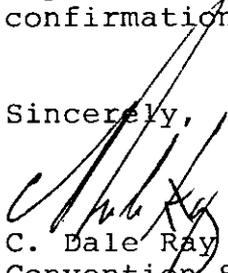
Ms. Paula Calais
Louisiana Department of
Wildlife and Fisheries
December 12, 1987
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Enclosed, please find a direct billing request form. Please complete and return the form, as soon as possible, so that we may establish your account.

Ms. Calais, thank you again for selecting Hotel Bentley. If I can be of any further service, please do not hesitate to call.

If these arrangements are satisfactory, please sign the enclosed copy of this letter and return it to this office as your definite confirmation.

Sincerely,



C. Dale Ray
Convention Sales
Manager

CDR/ts

Enclosure

RESOLUTION

Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission

The following rule was adopted by the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission at its regular meeting held in Alexandria, Louisiana. February 6, 1987.

WHEREAS, in 1950 the Congress established the Dingell-Johnson Sport Fish Restoration Program to promote natural resource protection and enhance recreational opportunities with funds provided by taxes levied on selected recreational equipment, and

WHEREAS, in 1984, because of the efforts of recreationists, conservationists, and the sport fishing and boating industries, that program was enhanced by additional recreation-related taxes and the establishment of the Wallop-Breaux Trust Fund, and

WHEREAS, the law passed by Congress in 1950, as amended in 1984, requires that the monies within the Wallop-Breaux Trust Fund be a continuing appropriation for return to the states on an annual basis, less a deduction of 6% by the administrating agency for overhead costs, and

WHEREAS, the monies proportionately returned to the states are earmarked by law to be used for sport fish restoration and enhancement activities including lake construction, motorboat access, fisheries management and research, and

WHEREAS, the President and other Administration officials publicly endorsed the 1984 amendment and the willingness of recreationists to tax themselves to pay for desired programs, and

WHEREAS, Secretary of the Interior, Donald Hodel, proposes to transfer \$25 million in fiscal 1988 from the Wallop-Breaux Trust Fund to the Fish and Wildlife Service's Resource Management Account to be used for basic operations, and

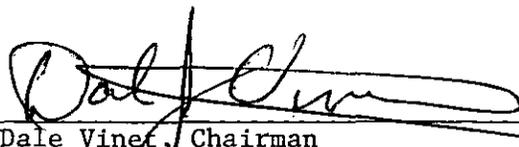
WHEREAS, this action is contrary to the Congressional intent of the legislation and breaks faith with the boaters and fishermen who pay these user fees in return for fish restoration and enhancement activities.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission that--

(1) Secretary Hodel is urged to honor and comply with those continuing appropriation and ear-marking provisions of the Wallop-Breaux Trust Fund as directed by law.

(2) the monies due and owed to the states under the terms of the Trust Fund should not be diverted nor delayed.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Secretary Hodel and all members fo the Louisiana Congressional delegation.


Dale Vinet, Chairman
La. Wildlife & Fisheries Commission



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DIRECT BILLING REQUEST FORM

Sales Contact Paula B. Callais

Estimated Expenditures

Banquet \$ _____

Rooms \$ _____

Name of Business or Association La. Dept. of Wildlife & Fisheries

Dates(s) of Function February 5-6, 1987

Name of Authorized Representative J. Burton Angelle

Title Secretary Phone Number 504/342-5878

Billing Address

P. O. Box 15570

Baton Rouge, LA 70895

Attn: Paula Callais

Bank Reference:

Name of Bank _____

Address _____

Account # _____

HOTEL REFERENCES:

Hotel _____ Hotel _____ Hotel _____

Address _____ Address _____ Address _____

City _____ City _____ City _____

Phone _____ Phone _____ Phone _____

Date of Function _____ Date of Function _____ Date of Function _____

Have you previously been direct billed by the Hotel Bentley? No

If yes, list date(s) _____

Note: Our credit policy specifies that payment is due immediately upon receipt of invoice. In the event such payment is not made within 25 days after receipt of the original invoice, the Hotel Bentley may impose a late payment charge at the rate of 1 1/4% per month (annual rate 18%), or the maximum allowed by the law, on the unpaid balance, and the reasonable cost of collection, including attorney's fees.

I hereby authorize the Hotel Bentley to verify the above information.

Print Name Paula B. Callais Signature Paula B. Callais

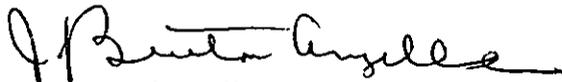
Title Adm. Secretary Date 12/16/86

RULE

The Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission does hereby adopt the attached rules and regulations as pertaining to the excessive killing of fish as directed by Act 919 of the 1986 legislature.

Excessive killing shall be defined as "the killing resulting from taking or attempting to take any fish in excess of what the possessor thereof can process, utilize, or transport from the fishing grounds. Shrimp and shrimping operations are excluded."

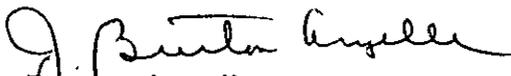
The Commission further adopts a method to determine the market value of fish as 1) ascertaining a price per pound from at least three Louisiana fish buying establishments, or 2) ascertaining a price per pound from National Marine Fisheries Service Market News Reports, or 3) any other published source of information.


J. Burton Angelle

RULE

The Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission does hereby adopt the attached rules and regulations as pertaining to the definition of menhaden and herring-like species.

The term "menhaden and herring-like species" shall be those species contained within the family Clupeidae, as recognized and published in: A List of Common and Scientific Names of Fishes from the United States and Canada; The American Fisheries Society. Special Publication No. 12, 1980.


J. Burton Angelle

LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT of WILDLIFE and FISHERIES
Office of Coastal and Marine Resources
Ecological Studies Section
(504) 342-9273

P. O. Box 15570
Baton Rouge, LA 70895

February 2, 1987

MEMORANDUM

TO: Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission
FROM: M. B. Watson, Coordinator, Ecological Studies Section 
SUBJECT: Seismic Rules and Regulations - Rule 24

The attached rule changing the fee charged to Seismic Exploration companies per Seismic Agent per day is scheduled for ratification.

January 27, 1987

REGION 1

75 TOTAL CASES

- 3 Taking illegal deer open season
- 2 Taking deer illegal hours
- 8 Hunting from public road
- 2 Hunting at night with light and gun
- 2 Hunting from moving vehicle
- 1 Carrying concealed weapon
- 3 Hunting migratory birds illegal hours
- 3 Criminal damage to state property
- 2 Possession of untagged deer meat
- 3 Netting in closed area
- 1 Taking fish without commercial gear license
- 1 Failure to have commercial license in possession
- 1 Failure to maintain records
- 1 Taking undersized fish
- 1 Illegal shipping of commercial fish
- 3 Not abiding by rules and regulations of the commission in reference to the alligator season.

No cases made by other Division personnel

January 1987

REGION 2

50 TOTAL CASES

- 2 Hunter's orange cases
- 8 Hunting without license in possession
- 1 Failure to have commercial license in possession
- 1 Trapping without license
- 3 Hunting from public road
- 3 Angling without a license
- 2 Hunting at night with light and gun
- 2 No federal duck stamp
- 2 Taking illegal deer open season
- 1 Hunting with unplugged gun
- 1 Using gear without a reg. gear license
- 2 Hunting coons illegally

7 cases made by Game Division

January 1987

REGION 3

89 TOTAL CASES

- 10 Angle w/o license
- 15 Hunting at night w/light & gun
- 4 Selling furbearing animal w/o license
- 11 Hunting from public road
- 3 Failure to comply w/life jacket
- 5 Improve running lights
- 2 Failure to have commercial fishing license
- 3 Not abiding by rules and regulations on WMA
- 1 Hunting deer in Closed season
- 1 Failure to wear hunters orang
- 3 Trapping w/o license
- 4 Hunting w/unplugged gun
- 5 Hunting w/o license
- 1 Hunting w/o non-resident gear license
- 3 Hunting MGB illegal hours
- 3 Hunting w/o resident big game license
- 9 Hunting from a moving vehicle
- 2 Hunting furbearing animals illegal
- 2 Operating unregistered boat

2 cases made by Game Division

January 1987

REGION 4

98 TOTAL CASES

- 28 Taking deer illegally which includes hunting at night, hunting from moving vehicle, and discharging firearm from public road
- 1 Selling deer
- 10 Hunting ducks after hours and no duck stamp and unplugged gun
- 1 Taking rabbits at night

19 cases made by Game Division

January 1987

REGION 5

124 TOTAL CASES

- 39 Duck cases
- 25 Duck seized
- 40 Geese seized
- 56 Night hunting cases
- 20 Rabbits
- 4 Coons seized
- 12 Deer night cases
- 1 doe deer
- 1 Boat, ²Motor, Trailer seized - Deer case
- 17 Oyster cases
- 37 Sacks of oysters seized - returned 17 sacks to the reef and sold 20 sacks

19 cases made by Refuge Division - (6 oyster cases)

January 1987

REGION 6

306 TOTAL CASES

- 12 Hunting at night with light and gun
- 6 Hunting rabbits at night
- 4 Hunting deer at night
- 21 MG Bird cases

LANTZ AND BARRON CASES

Hunting deer at night - \$1000.00 fine a piece 6 \$950.00 cost of court
Four, 8 hour days of Community Service. No hunting until January '88.
two .22 Rifles confiscated and forfeited to the Department.

Game confiscated:

- 6 deer
- 5 rabbits
- 9 duck
- 28 coots
- 5 wood cocks

- 79 Game Division cases
(2 hunting at night w/light and gun)
- 3 possession of drugs
- 2 MGB cases
- 12 vehicle cases)

January 1987

REGION 7

100 TOTAL CASES

- 18 Hunting at night w/light and gun
- 10 Hunt from moving vehicle
- 31 Hunt from public road
- 6 Hunting deer from public road
- 10 Taking illegal deer O/S
- 25 Furbearing animal cases
- 7 confiscated deer
- 12 confiscated coons

12 cases made by Game Division

January 1987

REGION 8

518 TOTAL CASES

181 Major cases requiring offense report

60 Oyster related cases

21 Migratory bird related cases

29 Night hunting cases

22 Net related cases

7 Overlimit speckled trouts

4,021 feet of Net (seized)

745 seized speckled trout

499 seized redfish

7 Criminal trespass

4 Possession of Stolen Property

2 Possession of Marijuana

145 sacks oysters seized

185 furbearing animals

43 migratory game birds

14 rabbits

2 squirrels

10 cases made by Refuge Division

2 cases made by Seafood Division

4 cases made by Game Division

CASE REPORT FOR JANUARY

16 ILLEGAL DEER OPEN SEASON
64 TAKING DEER ILLEGAL HOURS (AT NIGHT)
1 HUNTING DEER IN CLOSED SEASON
2 POSSESSION OF UNTAGGED DEER MEAT
1 SELLING DEER
71 HUNTING MIGRATORY BIRDS ILLEGAL HOURS
26 NO FEDERAL DUCK STAMP
27 TAKING RABBITS AT NIGHT
6 HUNTING COONS ILLEGALLY
27 HUNTING FURBEARING ANIMALS ILLEGALLY
4 SELLING FURBEARING ANIMALS WITHOUT LICENSE
13 HUNTING WITHOUT LICENSE IN POSSESSION
3 HUNTING WITHOUT BIG GAME LICENSE
4 TRAPPING WITHOUT LICENSE
3 NO HUNTER'S ORANGE CASES
69 HUNTING FROM PUBLIC ROAD
98 HUNTING AT NIGHT WITH LIGHT AND GUN
29 HUNTING FROM MOVING VEHICLE
7 HUNTING WITH UNPLUGGED GUN
1 HUNTING WITHOUT NON-RESIDENT GEAR LICENSE
1 USING GEAR WITHOUT A GEAR LICENSE
7 OVERLIMIT SPECKELD TROUT

CASE REPORT (CONT'D.)

PAGE 2

1 TAKING UNDERSIZED FISH
13 ANGLING WITHOUT LICENSE
5 FAILURE TO HAVE COMMERCIAL LICENSE IN POSSESSION
1 ILLEGAL SHIPPING OF COMMERCIAL FISH
1 FAILURE TO MAINTAIN RECORDS
25 NET RELATED CASES
77 OYSTER CASES
3 FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH LIFE JACKET LAW
5 IMPROPR RUNNING LIGHTS
2 OPERATING UNREGISTERED BOAT
1 CARRYING CONCEALED WEAPON
3 CRAIMINAL DAMAGE TO STATE PROPERTY
3 NOT ABIDING BY RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE COMMISSION IN REFERENCE
TO THE ALLIGATOR SEASON
3 NOT ABIDING BY RULES AND REGULATIONS ON WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA
7 CRIMINAL TRESPASS
4 POSSESSION OF STOLEN PROPERTY (OUTBOARD MOTORS)
2 POSSESSION OF MARIJUANA

1,177 TOTAL CASES ✓

CASE REPORT (CONT'D)

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CONFISCATED MATERIAL IS AS FOLLOWS:

201	FURBEARING ANIMALS
15	DEERS
69	RABBITS
2	SQUIRRELS
105	DUCKS
5	WOODCOCKS
40	GEESE
182	SACKS OF OYSTER
745	SPECKLED TROUT
499	REDFISH
4,021	FEET OF NET
1	BOAT, MOTOR AND TRAILER
1	MOTOR

CASE REPORT (CONT'D)

PAGE 4

SWEP - RIPTIDE AND DELTATIDE

RIPTIDE OPERATED FOR 89 RUNNING HOURS

DELTATIDE OPERATED FOR 74 RUNNING HOURS

68 CASES WERE MADE BETWEEN THE TWO BOATS

3,100 LBS. OF FISH WERE CONFISCATED WHICH INCLUDED TROUT, REDFISH AND DRUM

2,700 FT. OF GILL NET CONFISCATED

12 TROLLING WITHOUT LICENSE

12 NO VESSEL LICENSE

13 NO COMMERCIAL FISHERMEN LICENSE

8 NO GILL LICENSE

4 ILLEGAL USE OF GILL NETS

4 OVER LIMIT OF SPECKLED TROUT

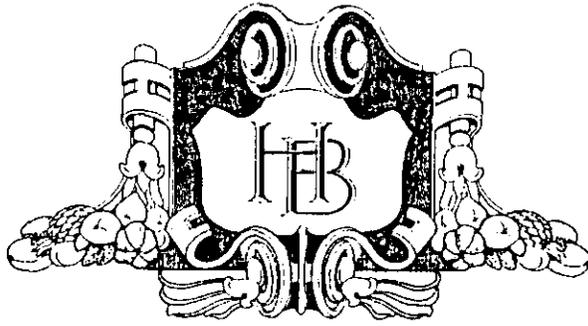
8 TROLLING IN CLOSED SEASON

1 NO BOAT REGISTRATION

9 PEOPLE WERE KILLED IN BOATING ACCIDENTS THROUGHOUT THE STATE. EIGHT

OCCURRED IN LAFOURCHE, TERREBONNE AND JEFFERSON PARISHES (REGION 8)

ONE OCCURRED IN LINCOLN PARISH.



December 12, 1986

Ms. Paula Calais
Louisiana Department of
Wildlife and Fisheries
P.O. Box 15570
Baton Rouge, LA 70895

Dear Ms. Calais:

Thank you and the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries for selecting Hotel Bentley for your upcoming function.

The following space has been reserved for you and your group attending on Thursday and Friday - February 5, 6, 1987:

Thursday - February 5, 1987

2:00 P.M. - 5:00 P.M. Meeting
Theatre Style Seating for 50
Head Table for three with Podium and P.A.
Rental fee of \$20.00, plus tax.

7:00 P.M. - 10:00 P.M. Meeting
Theatre Style Seating for 175
Head Table for six with Podium and P.A.
Rental fee of \$200.00 plus tax.

Friday - February 6, 1987

10:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M. Meeting
Theatre Style Seating for 50
Head Table for three with Podium and P.A.
Rental fee of \$20.00 plus tax.

Any food or beverage in the meeting rooms must be purchased from Hotel Bentley.

We have blocked fifteen (15) guest rooms on the night of Thursday - February 5, 1987, for one night. This block of rooms will only be held until January 25, 1987, at which time, we will need your rooming list. The rate for a single or double is \$40.00 plus tax. It is our understanding that individuals will be responsible for payment of their own accommodations.

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Ms. Paula Calais
Louisiana Department of
Wildlife and Fisheries
December 12, 1987
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Enclosed, please find a direct billing request form. Please complete and return the form, as soon as possible, so that we may establish your account.

Ms. Calais, thank you again for selecting Hotel Bentley. If I can be of any further service, please do not hesitate to call.

If these arrangements are satisfactory, please sign the enclosed copy of this letter and return it to this office as your definite confirmation.

Sincerely,

C. Dale Ray
Convention Sales
Manager

CDR/ts

Enclosure



J. BURTON ANGELLE, SR.
SECRETARY

DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES
DISTRICT VIII
400 ROYAL ST.
NEW ORLEANS, LA 70130

EDWIN W. EDWARDS
GOVERNOR

February 2, 1987

COASTAL & MARINE RESOURCES

SURVEY SECTION
03 - 43
ACTIVITY REPORT

JANUARY 5, 1987 Thru FEBRUARY 1, 1987

During this period field activity consisted of:

- 119 - Surveys that were scheduled.
- 71 - Surveys that were unable to be done due to bad weather or fishermen unable to meet surveyor.

Surveys that were completed consisted of:

- 12 - Leases that were tied into the monument control system.
- 2 - Applications for new area.
- 20 - 15 year limitations.
- 14 - Restake applications.

Total field activity:

<u>1985</u>	<u>1986</u>	<u>1987</u>	
124	103	119	- Surveys scheduled.
39	43	48	- Surveys performed.
84	60	71	- Surveys unable to be done due to bad weather or fishermen unable to meet surveyor.
1	0	0	- Survey where fishermen refused to survey.
0	0	0	- Disputes settled.
0	0	0	- No shows.
0	0	0	- Applications cancelled by request.

Office activity during this period:

- \$211,152.79 - Lease rental collected.
- \$ 11,807.20 - Survey fees collected.
- 98 - Applications filed.
- 10 - New leases issued.



THIS RULE ADOPTED BY THE LOUISIANA WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES COMMISSION
AT THE REGULAR MEETING HELD IN ALEXANDRIA, LOUISIANA, FRIDAY,
February 6, 1987

24) A fee of \$135.00 per seismic agent per day will be charged seismic operators.

This fee will be reviewed each January. All payments will be made by the seismic operator directly to the Department on or before the 20th of each month. No payments are to be made to the Seismic Agents.

J. Brent Anzelle



J. BURTON ANGELLE, SR.
SECRETARY

DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES
OFFICE OF WILDLIFE
FUR AND REFUGE
P.O. BOX 15570
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EDWIN W. EDWARDS
GOVERNOR

Commissioner

February 2, 1987

ORIGINAL LETTERS SENT TO ALL COMMISSISON MEMBERS

The attached documents should help explain the goals and purposes of the newly appointed Louisiana Fur and Alligator Council. The proclamations detail more specific information including names of the new members.

Please review the enclosures and if there are any questions, I will be available.

Sincerely yours,

Johnnie Tarver
Chief
Fur and Refuge Division

JWT/pjh
cc: J. Burton Angelle
Joe L. Herring
Greg Linscombe

State of Louisiana



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J. BURTON ANELLE, SR.
SECRETARY
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DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES
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BATON ROUGE, LA. 70895

EDWIN W. EDWARDS
GOVERNOR

December 10, 1986

Judge Roberts
Governor's Office
P.O. Box 94004
Baton Rouge, LA. 70804

Dear Judge Roberts,

Reference is made to Act 455 of the 1986 Regular Session, Title 56:280 and Title 36:605B(2) that establishes the Louisiana Fur and Alligator Advisory Council. Two proclamations are prepared for your review and affixing the proper signatures. I am anxious to make the Council official for recognitions at the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission Meeting scheduled for January 9, 1986 in Baton Rouge. If you could handle this matter, I would be very grateful.

Thanks for your help.

Sincerely,


J. Burton Anelle
Secretary

JBA:JWT/tbw

CC: Joe L. Herring
Johnnie W. Tarver
James Manning
Greg Linscombe
Don Puckett

PC / 7/28/86
Jog + Ted

Regular Session, 1986

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HOUSE BILL NO. 707

BY MESSRS. LEBLEU, KIMBALL, BENOIT, CRANE, GUIDRY, HAIR, M. HEBERT, KEMBER, PATTI, SIRACUSA, SOUR, THERIOT, BELLA, CAIN, AND SENATOR PICARD

ACT 455

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 56:252(A)(1), and to enact R.S. 36:610(H) and R.S. 56:280; relative to the establishment of a Louisiana Fur and Alligator Public Education and Marketing Fund; to increase certain resident trapper's license fees; to create the Louisiana Fur and Alligator Public Education and Marketing Fund in the state treasury, and to provide that certain proceeds from trapper's license fees and alligator hunter's license fees be credited to the fund; to provide for the investment of monies in the fund and the disposition of earnings from said investment; to provide for the expenditure of monies in the fund; to create the Louisiana Fur and Alligator Advisory Council, and to provide for its powers, duties, and responsibilities; to provide for the requirement of certain reports, and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 56:252(A)(1) is hereby amended and reenacted and R.S. 56:280 is enacted to read as follows:

§252. Licenses; possession limit for nonresident alligator hunter; deposit as guarantee of payment of severance tax; penalties

A. There is levied the following license fees on each fur trapper, alligator hunter, fur buyer, and fur dealer:

(1) Every resident fur trapper, fifteen years of age or older, before commencing the business of trapping furbearing animals, shall secure annually from the department through the tax collector's office, a trapper's license, which shall be furnished

upon the payment of twenty-five dollars. Every resident fur trapper under the age of fifteen years, before commencing the business of trapping furbearing animals, shall secure annually from the department through the tax collector's office, a trapper's license, which shall be furnished upon the payment of five dollars. Every nonresident fur trapper before commencing the business of trapping furbearing animals, shall secure annually from the department through the tax collector's office a nonresident trapper's license, which shall be furnished upon the payment of two hundred dollars. Every resident and nonresident fur trapper must at all times have this license in possession while trapping or selling pelts or animals. On the first of each month the tax collector shall pay over collections, with reports, less the usual commission paid in the case of state ad valorem taxes in payment for his services, to the state treasurer. The secretary of the department is hereby authorized to enter into reciprocal agreements with any state with respect to nonresident license fees for the trapping of furbearing animals. Violation of this Paragraph is a class two violation.

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§280. Louisiana Fur and Alligator Public Education and Marketing Fund

A. Purposes

Recognizing that the Louisiana fur and alligator industry is a vital aspect of Louisiana's coastal economic base and that in recent years worldwide fur markets and prices have been severely depressed creating extreme hardships not only for trappers, but also for coastal landowners, fur buyers and fur dealers; and recognizing world trends questioning the consumptive utilization of wildlife species, and recognizing that these trends and economic conditions can have a severe impact on the fur and alligator industry; and recognizing that raw and finished fur and alligator products are largely consumed outside of the United States; and recognizing the need to educate the public concerning fur trapping

and alligator hunting as sound wildlife management practices; and recognizing that the trapping of certain species of furbearers such as nutria and muskrat is the only realistic means for coastal landowners to effectively manage and protect over four million acres of invaluable coastal wetlands and protect adjacent agriculture; and recognizing that there is no cohesive, coordinated, and comprehensive effort to: educate the public concerning the Louisiana fur and alligator industry or stabilize and strengthen domestic and international markets for Louisiana furs and alligators, the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby establish the Louisiana Fur and Alligator Public Education and Marketing Fund.

B. Specific goals

- (1) To educate the public regarding the need for trapping as a sound wildlife management tool and regarding the logic of managing furbearing species and alligators as renewable resources.
- (2) To identify the current consumers of Louisiana furs and alligator hides.
- (3) To identify present and potential Louisiana fur and alligator marketing problems, obstacles, and related significant issues.
- (4) To strengthen existing markets and develop new markets and marketing strategies for raw and finished Louisiana fur and alligator products.
- (5) To develop and implement an international advertising campaign to promote the utilization of raw and finished Louisiana fur and alligator products.
- (6) To examine, evaluate, and make recommendations concerning any aspect of the fur and alligator industry including habitat management, harvest, and marketing which will enhance the future of the industry and perpetuate the conservation of these species.

C. The Louisiana Fur and Alligator Advisory Council

Pursuant to R.S. 36:605(B)(2), the secretary may create the Louisiana Fur and Alligator Advisory Council, which shall be within

the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries. The Louisiana Fur and Alligator Advisory Council shall be responsible for reviewing and approving recommended procedures and programs to be funded from the Louisiana Fur and Alligator Public Education and Marketing Fund, to ensure that any monies from the fund are expended for the specific goals of the council. At least one member of the council shall be designated by the speaker of the House of Representatives and another member shall be designated by the president of the Senate.

D. Appropriations

(1) All revenues received by the state from license fees imposed on trappers and alligator hunters as required in R.S. 56:252 shall be credited to the Bond Security and Redemption Fund. After a sufficient amount is allocated from that fund to pay all obligations secured by the full faith and credit of the state which become due and payable within any fiscal year, the state treasurer is authorized and directed to transfer annually the amount of twenty dollars for each twenty-five dollar trapping and alligator hunting license sold, from revenues derived from the sale of said licenses, into a special fund designated as the Louisiana Fur and Alligator Public Education and Marketing Fund.

(2) The state treasurer shall invest the monies in this fund in the same manner as monies in the state general fund. Any surplus monies remaining to the credit of the fund, after all appropriations of the preceding fiscal year have been made, shall remain to the credit of the fund. The state treasurer shall prepare and submit to the department on a quarterly basis a printed report showing the amount of money contained in the fund from all sources.

(3) Any amounts earned through investment of the monies in the fund shall remain to the credit of the fund and shall not revert to the state general fund.

E. Expenditures

(1) The monies made available by the legislature from the fund as provided in this Section or from any other source shall be

used solely for the programs, purposes, and specific goals enumerated in this Section.

(2) The Department of Wildlife and Fisheries shall maintain records of the sources of money received and the purposes therefor, as well as the person or persons to whom money is paid and the purpose therefor. Vouchers or receipts shall be kept for all money paid out. Money appropriated or otherwise made available to the department for authorized purposes shall be withdrawn from the treasury on warrant of the secretary of the department.

(3) The Department of Wildlife and Fisheries in utilizing monies from the fund may contract, with the approval of the Louisiana Fur and Alligator Advisory Council, for any services relating to the specific goals enumerated in this Section. The secretary is hereby authorized and empowered to carry out any and all contracts entered into in order to achieve these goals.

F. Annual reports

The Department of Wildlife and Fisheries shall make a written operating report to the legislature at the end of each fiscal year. This report will contain a summary of revenues received, expenditures made, and the status of achievement of specific goals. This report shall be submitted to the House and Senate Committees on Natural Resources not later than thirty days after the end of the fiscal year.

Section 2. R.S. 36:610(H) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

§610. Transfer of agencies to Department of Wildlife and Fisheries

* * *

H. The Louisiana Fur and Alligator Advisory Council (R.S. 56:280(C)) is placed within the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries and shall exercise and perform its powers, duties, functions, and responsibilities in the manner provided for agencies transferred in accordance with Part III of Chapter 22 of this Title.

H.B. NO. 707

Section 3. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature by the governor, as provided in Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____

pointed by the governor with consent of the Senate and who shall serve at the pleasure of the governor at a salary fixed by the governor, which salary shall not exceed the amount approved for such position by the legislature while in session. The secretary shall serve as the executive head and chief administrative officer of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries and shall have the responsibility for the policies of the department, except as otherwise provided by this Title, and for the administration, control, and operation of the functions, programs, and affairs of the department; provided that the secretary shall perform his functions under the general control and supervision of the governor.

Acts 1976, No. 513, §1. Amended by Acts 1977, No. 83, §1, eff. June 22, 1977.

§605. Powers and duties of secretary of wildlife and fisheries

A. In addition to the functions, powers, and duties otherwise vested in the secretary by law, he shall:

- (1) Represent the public interest in the administration of this Chapter and shall be responsible to the governor, the legislature, and the public therefor.
- (2) Determine the policies of the department, except as otherwise provided by this Title.
- (3) In accordance with the Administrative Procedures Act, make, alter, amend, and promulgate rules and regulations necessary for the administration of the functions of the department, except as otherwise provided by this Title.
- (4) Organize, plan, supervise, direct, administer, execute, and be responsible for the functions and programs vested in the department, in the manner and to the extent provided by this Title.
- (5) Advise the governor on problems concerning the administration of the department.
- (6) Act as the sole agent of the state or, in necessary cases, designate one of the offices within the department or its assistant secretary, to cooperate with the federal government and with other state and local agencies in matters of mutual concern and in the administration of federal funds granted to the state or directly to the department or an office thereof to aid in the furtherance of any function of the department and its offices. For this purpose he may take such actions, in accordance with applicable state law, necessary to meet such federal standards as are established for the administration and

use of such federal funds, except as otherwise specifically provided in this Title or by the constitution and laws of this state.

(7) Make and publish an annual report to the governor and the legislature concerning the operations of the department and submit with each report such recommendations as he deems necessary for the more effective internal structure and administration of the department and make other reports and recommendations on his own initiative or upon request by the governor, the legislature, or any committee or member thereof.

(8) Provide for the ongoing merger and consolidation of the agencies and functions transferred to his department and submit a report thereon to the governor and the legislature, which report shall accompany the budget statement which he submits under provisions of R.S. 39:45. Such report shall include a statement of the goals of the department and of the programs thereof and shall summarize the accomplishments of the department in meeting such goals and implementing such programs. The report shall also contain a specific statement of the reorganization and consolidation plan for the department for the next year and shall include a report on the implementation of such reorganization and consolidation plan for the previous year. The report concerning reorganization shall specifically detail the extent to which the department has achieved goals stated the previous year with respect to merger and consolidation of functions, abolition of agencies, consolidation of offices, elimination of positions, and efficiency and economy in delivery of services. The report shall contain any recommendations with respect to reorganization which may require legislative action under the provisions of this Title. A copy of the report and recommended legislation shall also be submitted by the secretary to the presiding officer of both houses of the legislature. The presiding officer shall refer the report to the appropriate committee having jurisdiction of the subject matter as provided in the rules of the respective house.

B. The secretary shall have authority to:

- (1) Except as otherwise specifically provided in R.S. 36:801 and R.S. 36:803: a) employ, appoint, remove, assign, and promote such personnel as is necessary for the efficient administration of the office of the secretary and the performance of its powers, duties, functions, and responsibilities and such other personnel, who are not assigned to an office, as may be necessary for the efficient administration of the department and for the performance of the responsibilities, powers, duties, and functions of agencies transferred to it; b) employ, as-

sign, and remove all personnel employed for the department on a contractual basis, and c) transfer the personnel of the department as necessary for the efficient administration of the department and its programs; all of the above to be accomplished in accordance with its applicable civil service laws, rules, and regulations, and with policies and rules of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, and all subject to budgetary control and applicable laws.

(2) Appoint, subject to gubernatorial approval, advisory councils, boards, and commissions necessary in the administration of the department, except as otherwise provided by law or by executive order.

(3) Accept and use, in accordance with law, gifts, grants, bequests, and endowments for purposes consistent with the responsibilities and functions of the department and take such actions as are necessary to comply with any conditions required for such acceptance.

(4) Enforce the laws of the state and rules and regulations relative to wildlife and fisheries, including but not limited to laws, rules, and regulations relative to illegal hunting, fishing, and trapping, boating safety regulations, and the prohibited methods, times, or seasons, and locations therefor, including the illegal transportation, shipping, and sale of wildlife, fish, and other aquatic life and fur-bearing animals and alligators, and including the illegal possession of wildlife, game, or fish and other aquatic life, and toward these ends shall appoint not less than twenty-five wildlife agents, whose entire time, under the direction of the secretary, shall be devoted to the performance of their official duties as prescribed by law.

The secretary may appoint and, at his pleasure, remove as many special or cooperative officers, to be designated as special wildlife agents, as he deems proper.

Amended by Acts 1985, No. 876, §1.

(5) Formulate and promulgate rules of administration for the department relating to employment and management.

(6) Do such other things, not inconsistent with law, as are necessary to perform properly the functions vested in him.

Acts 1976, No. 513, §1. Amended by Acts 1977, No. 83, §1, eff. June 22, 1977; Acts 1985, No. 876, §1.

§606. Deputy secretary

There may be a deputy secretary of the department, who shall be appointed by the secretary with consent of the Senate and who shall

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serve at the pleasure of the secretary at a salary fixed by the secretary, which salary shall not exceed the amount approved for such position by the legislature while in session. The duties and functions of the deputy secretary shall be determined and assigned by the secretary. If appointed, he shall serve as acting secretary in the absence of the secretary.

Acts 1976, No. 513, §1. Amended by Acts 1977, No. 833, §1, eff. June 22, 1977.

§607. Undersecretary; functions; office of management and finance

A. There shall be an undersecretary of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, who shall be appointed by the governor with consent of the Senate and who shall serve at the pleasure of the governor at a salary fixed by the governor, which salary shall not exceed the amount approved for such position by the legislature while in session. The undersecretary shall be directly responsible to and shall perform his functions under the supervision and control of the secretary.

B. The undersecretary shall direct and be responsible for the functions of the office of management and finance within the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries. In such capacity he shall be responsible for accounting and budget control, procurement and contract management, data processing, management and analysis, personnel management, and grants management and program department and all of its offices, including all agencies transferred to the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, except as otherwise specifically provided in this Title. He shall employ, appoint, remove, assign, and promote such personnel as is necessary for the efficient administration of the Office of management and finance and the performance of its powers, duties, functions, and responsibilities, in accordance with applicable civil service laws, rules, and regulations, and with policies and rules of the department, all subject to budgetary control and applicable laws. The undersecretary shall exercise all powers and authority granted to him in this Title subject to the overall direction and control of the secretary.

C. The duties and functions of the office of management and finance and of the undersecretary shall be as provided in this Section, and these duties and functions shall not be subject to change by the secretary, except that the undersecretary shall perform such additional duties and functions as are assigned by the secretary.

Acts 1976, No. 513, §1. Amended by Acts 1977, No. 83, §1, eff. June 22, 1977.

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P R O C L A M A T I O N

BY THE GOVERNOR

STATE OF LOUISIANA

PARISH OF EAST BATON ROUGE

BY THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME by the law and upon the recommendation of the Secretary of the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, I do hereby approve his Order establishing the Louisiana Fur and Alligator Advisory Council; which said approval Order is as follows:

O R D E R

BY THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN THE SECRETARY OF THE LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES by law, Act 455 of the 1986 Regular Legislature Session and particularly by Title 36:605B(2) and Title 56:280, Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, and in order to establish an advisory council to be known as the Louisiana Fur and Alligator Advisory Council as follows:

P R E A M B L E

Recognizing that the Louisiana Fur and Alligator Industry is a vital aspect of Louisiana's coastal economic base and recognizing that in recent years worldwide fur markets and prices have been severely depressed creating extreme hardships not only for trappers, but also for coastal landowners, fur buyers and fur dealers, and recognizing world trends questioning the consumptive utilization of wildlife species, and recognizing that these trends and economic conditions can have a severe impact on the fur and alligator industry and recognizing the need to educate the public concerning fur trapping and alligator hunting as sound wildlife management practices and recognizing that the trapping of certain species of furbearers such as nutria and muskrat is the only realistic means for coastal landowners to effectively manage and protect over 4 million acres of invaluable coastal wetlands and protect adjacent agriculture, and recognizing that there is no cohesive, coordinated and comprehensive effort to: educate the public concerning the Louisiana fur and alligator industry or stabilize and strengthen markets, both domestic and international, for Louisiana furs and alligators, therefore it is essential that an advisory council be created within the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries to assist in the solution of these problems thereby enhancing the industry and ensuring its future.

I. ESTABLISHMENT, SELECTION AND APPOINTMENT OF THE COUNCIL

Therefore for the above and foregoing reasons, I do, with the approval of the Governor of the State of Louisiana, hereby establish as provided in R.S. 36:605B(2) and R.S. 56:280 in the Office of the Secretary of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries the Louisiana Fur and Alligator Advisory Council. This council shall be composed of 9 members appointed by Secretary. The individuals appointed to this council shall represent a cross section of trappers, alligator hunters and coastal landowners. One member of the council shall represent trappers and alligator hunters from North Louisiana. One member shall represent trappers and alligator hunters from Southwest Louisiana. One member shall represent trappers and alligator hunters from Southeast Louisiana. One member shall represent trappers and alligator hunters statewide. Three members shall each represent coastal landowners. Additionally one member of the council shall be designated by the Speaker of the House of Representatives and one by the President of the Senate. The member representing statewide trappers and alligator hunters and the three members representing coastal landowners will serve for a four year term. All other members will serve for a three year term for the first three years and thereafter a four year term. The Secretary or his designee shall be an exofficio member of said council and shall be present at all official meetings. The only organization in the state that represents a cross section of such interest is the Louisiana Trappers and Alligator Hunters Association. This organization, with approximately 500 members, has indicated by its activities a dedication to insuring and enhancing the future of the fur and alligator industry in the state. The organization is over six years old, is an active member of the Louisiana Wildlife Federatio and has major representation of many of the coastal landowners involved in fur and alligator management. The Secretary of the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries shall request, in writing, nominations for 7 members from the Louisiana Trappers and Alligator Hunters Association, explaining the representation of each member of the council. The Louisiana Trappers and Alligator Hunters Association shall submit, in writing, to the Secretary of the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries nominations for 7 members. Only after the acceptance of these nominations by the Secretary of the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries will these and the designees from the House of Representatives and the Senate be considered for gubernatorial approval.

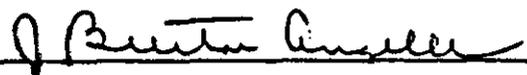
II. SPECIFIC GOALS TO BE ADDRESSED BY THE ADVISORY COUNCIL

- 1) To educate the public regarding the need for trapping as a sound wildlife management tool and regarding the logic of managing furbearing species and alligators as renewable resources.
- 2) To identify the current consumers of Louisiana furs and alligator hides.
- 3) To identify present and potential Louisiana fur and alligator marketing problems, obstacles and related significant issues.
- 4) To strengthen existing markets and develop new markets and marketing strategies for raw and finished Louisiana fur and alligator products.
- 5) To develop and implement an international advertising campaign to promote the utilization of raw and finished Louisiana fur and alligator products.
- 6) To examine, evaluate and make recommendations concerning any aspect of the fur and alligator industry including habitat management, harvest, and marketing which will enhance the future of the industry and perpetuate the conservation of these species.

III. RESPONSIBILITIES AND FUNCTIONS

- 1) The Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries shall be responsible for providing technical information concerning the specific goals of the Advisory Council.
- 2) The Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries shall be responsible for developing procedures and programs, including options and information on priorities to achieve the specific goals.
- 3) The Louisiana Fur and Alligator Advisory Council shall be responsible for reviewing and approving recommended procedures and programs to insure that expenditures by the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries from funds dedicated for the specific goals of the council are spent for such programs.
- 4) The Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries shall be responsible for carrying out all expenditures of funds dedicated to the specific goals of the Advisory Council.

DONE AND ORDERED BY THE SECRETARY OF THE LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES ON THIS _____ OF _____.


J. BURTON ANGELLE, SECRETARY
LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF
WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES

I hereby proclaim notice of said Council and do order that for thirty(30) days this Proclamation shall be published in an Official Journal of the State.

THUS DONE AND PROCLAIMED THIS _____ day of _____.

at Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

P R O C L A M A T I O N

BY THE GOVERNOR

STATE OF LOUISIANA

PARISH OF EAST BATON ROUGE

BY THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME by law and upon the recommendation of the Secretary of the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, I do hereby approve his Order appointing members to the Louisiana Fur and Alligator Advisory Council; which said approval Order is as follows:

O R D E R

BY THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN THE SECRETARY OF THE LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES by law, Act 455 of the 1986 Regular Legislature Session and particularly by Title 36:605B(2) and Title 56:280, Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, and in order to appoint members to the Louisiana Fur and Alligator Advisory Council, I do, with the approval of the Governor of the State of Louisiana, hereby appoint the following individuals to the Louisiana Fur and Alligator Advisory Council.

- 1) North Louisiana Representative - James Gallaspy ✓
Term:
- 2) Southwest Louisiana Representative - Benjamin Welsh ✓
Term:
- 3) Southeast Louisiana Representative - Wilson Gaidry ✓
Term:
- 4) Statewide Representative - Robert Watson ✓
Term:
- 5) Coastal Landowner Representative - John Donahue ✓
Term:
- 6) Coastal Land Manager Representative - Roger Vincent, Jr.
Term:
- 7) Coastal Land Manager Representative - Kermit Coulon ✓
Term:
- 8) House of Representative's Designee - Lynn Gagnon ✓
Term:
- 9) Senate Designee - *Donald Anardi*
Term:

DONE AND ORDERED BY THE SECRETARY OF THE LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES ON THIS _____ DAY OF _____.

J. Burton Angelle
J. BURTON ANGELLE, SECRETARY
LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF
WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES

I hereby proclaim notice of said appointments and do order that for thirty (30) days this Proclamation shall be published in an Official Journal of the State.

THUS DONE AND PROCLAIMED THIS _____ day of _____,
_____, at Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

SECRETARY OF STATE

NOTICE OF INTENT

Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries
Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission

The Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission hereby advertises its intent to prohibit fish seining on the Louisiana sides of Old River Lake, Vidalia, and Old River Lake, Deer Park, Concordia Parish, Louisiana; except, that fish seining will be legal under a special permit as described below:

"(Date)

SPECIAL COMMERCIAL FISH SEINING PERMIT NUMBER: _____

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

FOR PERIOD: January 1, _____ to December 31, _____

This permit entitles the holder, who must have a valid fish seine license, to conduct legal fish seining operations on the Louisiana sides of Old River Lake, Vidalia, and Old River Lake, Deer Park, Concordia Parish, Louisiana.

In addition to existing Louisiana fish seining rules the following special permit regulations shall apply:

- (1) Seining shall be permitted only on Monday through Friday, during daylight hours from sunrise to sunset.
- (2) Permittee shall notify Enforcement Personnel, Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, located at the Region IV office headquarters, Ferriday, Louisiana, at least twenty-four (24) hours prior to conducting each seining operation.
- (3) Permittee shall make every effort to conduct seining operations as per R.S. Title 56, Section 328 which states: 'Nets shall not be hauled out upon the shore in such a way that any illegal fish which may happen to be taken therein cannot be returned to the water without injury.'
- (4) Permittee shall leave no fish captured during a seining operation, on or in the vicinity of the shoreline.
- (5) Permittee must have this permit on his person while using or transporting commercial fish seines in the above described waters.

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(Date)

- (6) Failure to comply with the terms of this permit or any Louisiana commercial fishing regulations, or any Mississippi State commercial fishing regulations on the Mississippi side of the above Lakes shall result in immediate cancellation of the permit, and the option to deny the issuance of another seine permit in the future.
- (7) This permit is issued on a calendar year basis and shall be renewed each year.

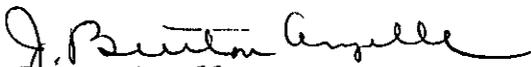

Secretary
La. Dept. of Wildlife & Fisheries

I have read and understand the terms of this permit and agree to comply.

SIGNATURE: _____

COMMERCIAL FISHERMAN LICENSE NO.: _____ "

Interested persons may submit written comments on the proposed rule until 4:30 p.m., March 16, 1987, to the following address: J. Burton Angelle, Secretary, Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, P. O. Box 15570, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, 70895.


J. Burton Angelle
Secretary

RESOLUTION

Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission

The following rule was adopted by the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission at its regular meeting held in Alexandria, Louisiana, February 6, 1987.

WHEREAS, in 1950 the Congress established the Dingell-Johnson Sport Fish Restoration Program to promote natural resource protection and enhance recreational opportunities with funds provided by taxes levied on selected recreational equipment; and

WHEREAS, in 1984, because of the efforts of recreationists, conservationists, and the sport fishing and boating industries; that program was enhanced by additional recreation-related taxes and the establishment of the Wallop-Breaux Trust Fund; and

WHEREAS, the law passed by Congress in 1950, as amended in 1984, requires that the monies within the Wallop-Breaux Trust Fund be a continuing appropriation for return to the states on an annual basis, less a deduction of 6% by the administrating agency for overhead costs, and

WHEREAS, the monies proportionately returned to the states are earmarked by law to be used for sport fish restoration and enhancement activities including lake construction, motorboat access, fisheries management and research, and

WHEREAS, the President and other Administration officials publicly endorsed the 1984 amendment and the willingness of recreationists to tax themselves to pay for desired programs, and

WHEREAS, Secretary of the Interior, Donald Hodel, proposes to transfer \$25 million in fiscal 1988 from the Wallop-Breaux Trust Fund to the Fish and Wildlife Service's Resource Management Account to be used for basic operations, and

WHEREAS, this action is contrary to the Congressional intent of the legislation and breaks faith with the boaters and fishermen who pay these user fees in return for fish restoration and enhancement activities.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission that--

(1) Secretary Hodel is urged to honor and comply with those continuing appropriation and ear-marking provisions of the Wallop-Breaux Trust Fund as directed by law.

(2) the monies due and owed to the states under the terms of the Trust Fund should not be diverted nor delayed.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Secretary Hodel and all members of the Louisiana Congressional delegation.

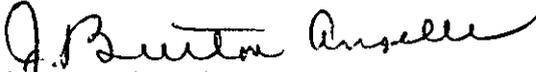
J. Burton Ansell

NOTICE OF INTENT

Department of Wildlife & Fisheries
Wildlife & Fisheries Commission

It is the intent of the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission to establish a public oyster seed ground in portions of Vermilion, East & West Cote Blanche and Atchafalaya Bays, pursuant to the authority given to the Commission in R.S. 56:434. A map of the exact boundaries can be seen in the offices of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, Darnell Road, New Iberia; Texas Gulf Road, Bourg and 400 Royal St., New Orleans.

Interested persons may submit written comments relative to the proposed action until 4:30 P.M. on April 29, 1987 at the following address: Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, P.O. Box 15570, Baton Rouge, LA 70895 attention J. Burton Angelle. Additionally the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission will take up the setting aside of the oyster seed ground at its regular meeting on April 30 and May 1, 1987.


J. Burton Angelle