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Louisiana Natural & Scenic River System **SCENIC RIVER PERMIT #894**

Issue/Effective Date: May 9, 2014

Scenic River: Abita River

Recipient: Abraham Pina
2604 Jupiter Street
Harvey, LA 70058

Description: Construction of a Single Family Home

This permit is issued by authority of Part II of Chapter 8, Title 56 of the LRS of 1950 as amended and re-enacted regarding the Louisiana Natural & Scenic Rivers System and the administrative procedures pertaining to the management of these watercourses designated as Scenic Rivers.

The permit is issued by the Administrator with the understanding that the recipient in implementation of the proposal will proceed in compliance with, and not significantly deviate from the provisions contained in the petition for the permit and any special conditions attached hereto. The permit holder is expected to minimize adverse impacts to the structural and functional integrity of the natural systems and aesthetics associated with the Scenic River where the activity is occurring so as to preserve the fundamental character and purpose for which the System was established.

The Administrator assumes no responsibility for or incurs no liability for any injury to persons or property caused by any act of the permit holder or his agent in the permission granted by this permit. In addition to the Department of Wildlife & Fisheries, the petition was given a full and thorough evaluation by the Louisiana Departments of Agriculture & Forestry; Culture, Recreation & Tourism; Environmental Quality; and the Office of State Planning and Budget. If during the review process objections were made to the proposed activity, those objections were either found to be insignificant or they have been included in the conditions of the permit.

This permit shall expire if the permitted activity has not begun within 18 months of the "Issue Date" indicated above.

Compliance with these conditions is necessary for this permit to be valid:

- 1) This project must be carried out in a manner consistent with the design that the applicant submitted during the permit process. Should significant physical modification to the project become necessary during implementation of the project or after its completion, the permit holder will submit a letter of explanation within one week of discovery to the Administrator to determine if another petition will be required.
- 2) If during project activity, any sensitive archaeological, biological or botanical element is encountered, activity will temporarily cease and the permit holder will contact the Administrator to determine the disposition of that element or artifact.
- 3) All other applicable permits not contingent upon this permit from governmental entities will be acquired and their conditions implemented with fidelity. Applicant has title to the property or permission from the landowner to implement the project.
- 4) The applicant shall implement adequate erosion/sediment control measures to insure that no sediments, pollutants, or other activity related debris are allowed to enter the Abita River. Accepted measures include the proper use of silt fences, straw bales, or other Environmental Protection Agency construction site stormwater runoff control best management practices. These measures shall be installed before commencement of construction activities and maintained until the site is fully developed.
- 5) There is to be no discharge of treated or untreated wastewater, directly or indirectly, to the Abita River.
- 6) LDWF recommends that the applicant eliminate any noxious/exotic tree species, such as Chinese tallow (*Triadica sebifera*), currently found on the site. Should the stumps and/or root systems of noxious/exotic tree species be left in place, the applicant shall apply a herbicide, such as Remedy, Garlon 4, Tahoe 4E or Pathfinder II, to the stumps and/or root systems of those trees

To restore and enhance riparian habitat vacated by the removal of noxious/exotic tree species, the applicant shall plant a mixed component of native trees currently found at the site, such as American Elm (*Ulmus Americana*), Bald Cypress (*Taxodium distichum*), Green Ash (*Fraxinus pennsylvanica*), Red Maple (*Acer rubrum*), Southern Magnolia (*Magnolia grandiflora*), and Water Oak (*Quercus nigra*). Monitoring and control of noxious/exotic tree species shall continue for a minimum of three years post-construction in order to allow native trees to colonize and become adequately established.

- 7) The permittee shall allow representatives of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries to make periodic inspections to ensure the activity being performed is in accordance with the conditions of this permit.

If you need any additional information, you may contact Mr. Keith Casio, Scenic Rivers Coordinator in the Monroe Office, at (318) 343-4045.



Robert J. Barham
Administrator