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Louisiana Natural & Scenic River System  
**SCENIC RIVER PERMIT #966 (EMERGENCY)**

Issue/Effective Date: June 9, 2016

Scenic River: Tangipahoa River

Recipient: Tangipahoa Parish Government  
Attn: Maurice Jordan  
P. O. Box 215  
Amite, LA 70422

Description: Emergency Removal of a Collapsed Railroad Trestle

This permit is issued under the 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 watercourses designated as Scenic Rivers.

The permit is issued by the Administrator with the understanding that the permit holder, in implementation of the project, will proceed in compliance with the general and special conditions contained herein. 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 and incurs no liability for injury or damage to persons or property caused by any act or omission of the permit holder or his agent in the permission granted by this permit. In addition to the Department of Wildlife & Fisheries, the application 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 "Effective Date" indicated above.

The Permittee shall adhere to and comply with the following permit conditions:

General Conditions:

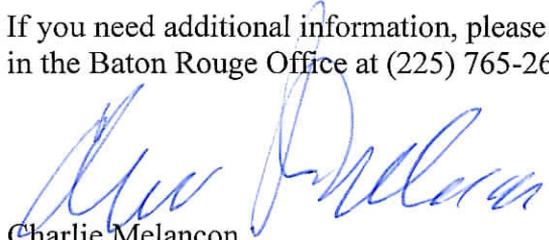
- 1) Adequate erosion/sediment control measures are to be taken during the implementation of this project to insure that no sediments or other construction/activity related debris are allowed to enter the Tangipahoa River.
- 2) Permittee will acquire all other federal, state, local, and municipal permits and permissions required for the permitted activity prior to commencement of work. Permittee has title to the property or permission from the landowner to implement the project.
- 3) 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.
- 4) Any authorization issued under the authority of this permit may not be transferred to another party without giving prior notice to the Scenic Rivers Program Coordinator.
- 5) The permittee shall allow representatives of LDWF to make periodic inspections to ensure the activity is in accordance with the conditions of this permit.

Special Conditions:

- 1) Once a contractor is selected, the parish shall submit an updated work plan to LDWF outlining any modifications to the planned course of action. This plan should include the location of all temporary work area(s) and access paths. Removal activities and clearing shall not occur within 100 feet of the Tangipahoa River without prior coordination with LDWF. The applicant shall contact Matt Weigel at (985)543-4777 for oversight of these proposed activities.
- 2) The permittee shall ensure that all contractors, subcontractors, and workers are made fully aware of the limits of the work authorized by this permit and adhere to and comply with all conditions listed in this Scenic River permit. Non-compliance with permit terms and conditions may result in permit suspension or revocation, and all other remedies allowed by law.
- 3) All components of the trestle (e.g., beams, pilings, etc.) removed from within the banks of the river shall be placed at an offsite location.
- 4) No trees shall be felled into the river during work area and access clearing. Stumps and root-balls of felled trees shall remain in situ for bank/soil stability.

- 5) 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 permit application will be required.

If you need additional information, please contact Mr. Chris Davis, Scenic Rivers Coordinator, in the Baton Rouge Office at (225) 765-2642.



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Administrator