APP NO: AOC-20140001 AOC PERMIT NO: 0001

APPLICATION FOR ALTERNATIVE OYSTER CULTURE PERMIT

LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES

New Orleans, Louisiana

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The undersigned herewith applies for a permit to conduct alternative oyster culture activity for a period of ten (10) years from the acceptance of this application and issuance of the completed permit, an annual rental fee of Two and No/100 Dollars (\$2.00) per acre payable upon receipt of the completed agreement and thereafter annually on or before the first day of January until the termination of the permit or lease acres, more or less of water bottoms, located in the parish of containing 6

LAFOURCHE and more particularly described as follows:

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An application fee \$100.00 dollars is paid herewith.

The undersigned prays that this application be registered, that a permit be issued to Applicant, which permit, issued by the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, will be considered as an acceptance of this application and a completion and execution of the contract.

This application is made and the permit is to be issued subject to the provisions of Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, Title 56, Sections 421-449, and of the rules and regulations of the said Department, specifically including but limited to Louisiana Revised Statute 56:431.2 and Louisiana Administrative Code 76:VII.535, and Applicant hereby agrees to pay said Department for services in connection herewith in accordance with the scale of charges printed and herein mentioned.

The undersigned certifies that Applicant is qualified under law to receive the requested permit to conduct alternative oyster culture; and that Applicant has taken cognizance of the statutes, rules, and regulations identified herein and makes them a part of this application.

The undersigned further certifies that:

a. If Applicant is not a natural person, the person signing this application is duly authorized to do so on behalf of Applicant.

2714914 b. Applicant is the holder of State of Louisiana oyster lease number covering state water bottoms; and that this is the lease upon which Applicant seeks a permit to conduct alternative oyster culture activities.

c. The alternative oyster culture activities that Applicant seeks to conduct are:

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33 suspended by poles or floats 400 String or longline culture Other. Describe:

d. Applicant has not been convicted of or pled guilty to a class 4 or greater oyster-related violation, as defined in the laws pertaining to wildlife and fisheries, within three years prior to the submission of the application.

e. A cost estimate to remove and properly dispose of all equipment, facilities and other items sought sought to be permitted, prepared by a contractor that has a valid Louisiana Commercial Contractor License for the classification of Heavy Construction or Coastal Restoration and Habitat Enhancement, and has no familial or business relationship with the applicant has been supplied and approved by the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries.

f. All other local, state, and federal permits necessary for the activity sought to be permitted, or documentation from the relevant agencies establishing that such permits are unnecessary, specifically including:

- 1. State coastal use permit (R.S. 49:214.30).
- Federal obstruction to navigation section 10 (33 U.S.C. §403 and/or section 9 (33 U.S.C. 2.

§401) permit.

- 3. Clean Water Act section 404 fill permit (33 U.S.C. §1344).
- 4. State water quality certification (33 U.S.C. §1341).
- Any other permit or authorization that may be required by a state or federal agency for the 5. AOC activity.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY NEW ORLEANS DISTRICT, CORPS OF ENGINEERS P.O. BOX 60267 NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA 70160-0267

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Section 10

ATTENTION OF Operations Division Western Evaluation Section

SUBJECT: MVN-2013-01143-WMM

Jules Melancon P.O. Box 198 Grand Isle, Louisiana 70358

Dear Mr. Melancon:

The proposed <u>work</u>, to construct a commercial oyster farm, located at 29.30383°N, 90.03432°W, approximately 5.7 miles north of Grand Isle, in Lafourche Parish, Louisiana, is <u>authorized</u> under **Category I** of the **Programmatic General Permit** provided that all conditions of the permit are met.

This authorization has a blanket water quality certification from the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ); therefore, no additional authorization from DEQ is required.

However, prior to commencing work on your project, you must obtain approvals from state and local agencies as required by law and by terms of this permit. These approvals include, but are not limited to, a permit, consistency determination or determination of "no direct or significant impact (NDSI) on coastal waters" from the Louisiana Department of Natural Resources, Office of Coastal Management.

This approval to perform work is valid for 5 years from the date of this letter. Permittee is aware that this office may reevaluate its decision on this permit at any time the circumstances warrant.

Should you have any further questions concerning this matter, please contact Angelle Greer of this office at (504) 862-1879.

Sincerely,

Daniel S. Barbara : Martin S. Mayer

Chief, Regulatory Branch Operations Division

18	DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES OFFICE OF COASTAL MANAGEMENT							
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LOCATION:	Lafourche Parish, LA Approximately 5.7 miles north of Grand Isle in Bay Des llettes, at Lat 29° 18' 13.78"N / Long -90° 02' 03.55"W.							
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required by the State Sanitary Code. Such opinion as may be served by those comments offered herein shall not be construed to suffice as any more formal approval(s) which may be required of possible sanitary details (i.e. provisions) scheduled to be associated with the subject activity. Such shall generally require that appropriate plans and specifications be submitted to the Department of Health and Hospitals for purpose of review and approval prior to any utilization of such provisions.

- c. The area where the project is located is all part of the aboriginal homelands of the Chitimacha Tribe of Louisiana. As such, large villages, burial sites, and sacred sites were in place in that entire area. If at any time during the course of the work, any traditional cultural properties are discovered, Permittee shall immediately contact Kimberly S. Walden (Cultural Director) or Melanie Aymond (Research Coordinator) at (337) 923-9923 or (337) 923-4395. Office hours are Monday through Thursday from 7:30 A.M. 5:00 P.M. and on Friday between 7:30 A.M. 11:30 A.M. If traditional cultural properties are discovered or after business hours, the notification shall be made the next business morning.
- d. All structures built under the authorization and conditions of this permit shall be removed from the site within 120 days of abandonment of the facilities for the herein permitted use, or when these structures fall into a state of disrepair such that they can no longer function as intended. This condition does not preclude the necessity for revising the current permit or obtaining a separate Coastal Use Permit, should one be required, for such removal activities.
- e. Structures must be marked/lighted in accordance with U. S. Coast Guard regulations.
- f. Applicant shall not discharge any drilling and/or workover effluent except for flocculated filtered water.

Applicant shall not discharge any human waste which does not meet or exceed the requirements of the Department of Health and Hospitals.

Applicant shall not discharge any produced waters.

Applicant is subject to all applicable state laws related to damages which are demonstrated to have been caused by this proposed action.

Applicant shall use any dredged material beneficially to create/restore emergent wetlands or place the material in open water in such a manner not to decrease the water depth greater than six inches.

Applicant shall provide to the LDWF a water bottom assessment (unless waived by LDWF) that meets LDWF protocol prior to commencement of the activity. A waiver request must be submitted to LDWF in writing and must state the justification for the request. Applicant may, at the request of LDWF and prior written approval of OCM, be required to modify the project if the proposed location unnecessarily impacts oyster reefs.

- g. Permittee is subject to all applicable state laws related to damages which are demonstrated to have been caused by this action.
- Permittee shall allow representatives of the Office of Coastal Management or authorized agents to make periodic, unannounced inspections to assure the activity being performed is in accordance with the conditions of this permit.
- i. Permittee shall comply with all applicable state laws regarding the need to contact the Louisiana One Call (LOC) system (1-800-272-3020) to locate any buried cables and pipelines.
 - This permit authorizes the initiation of the Coastal Use described under "Coastal Use Description" for two (2) years

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The expiration date of this permit is five (5) years from the date of the signature of the Secretary or his designee.

Upon expiration of this permit, a new Coastal Use Permit will be required for completion of any unfinished or uncommenced work items and for any maintenance activities involving dredging or fill that may become necessary. Other types of maintenance activities may also require a new Coastal Use Permit.

By accepting this permit the applicant agrees to its terms and conditions.

I affix my signature and issue this permit this 7th day of June, 2013.

THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

Karl L May

Karl L. Morgan, Administrator Office of Coastal Management

This agreement becomes binding when signed by Administrator of the Office of Coastal Management Permits/Mitigation Division, Department of Natural Resources.

Attachments

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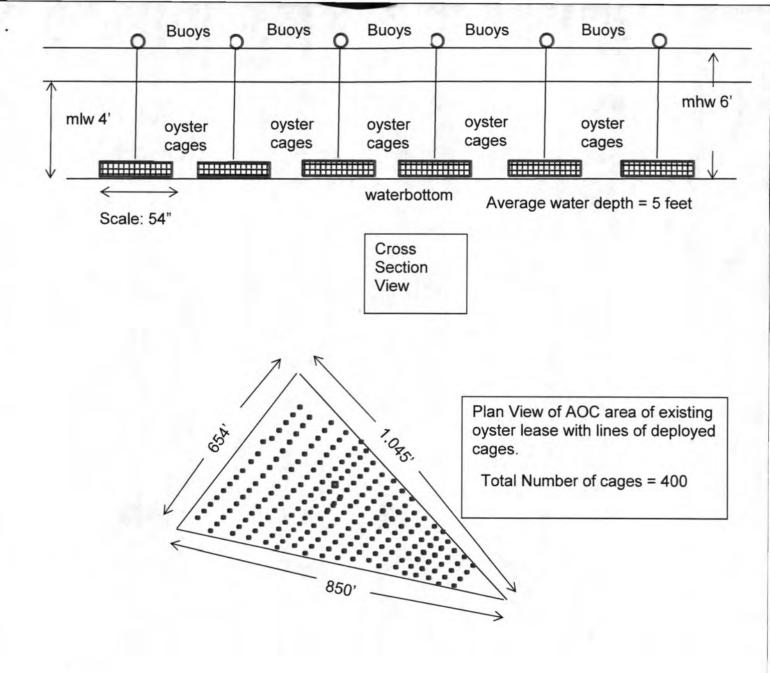
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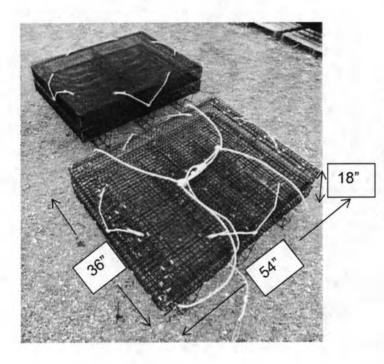
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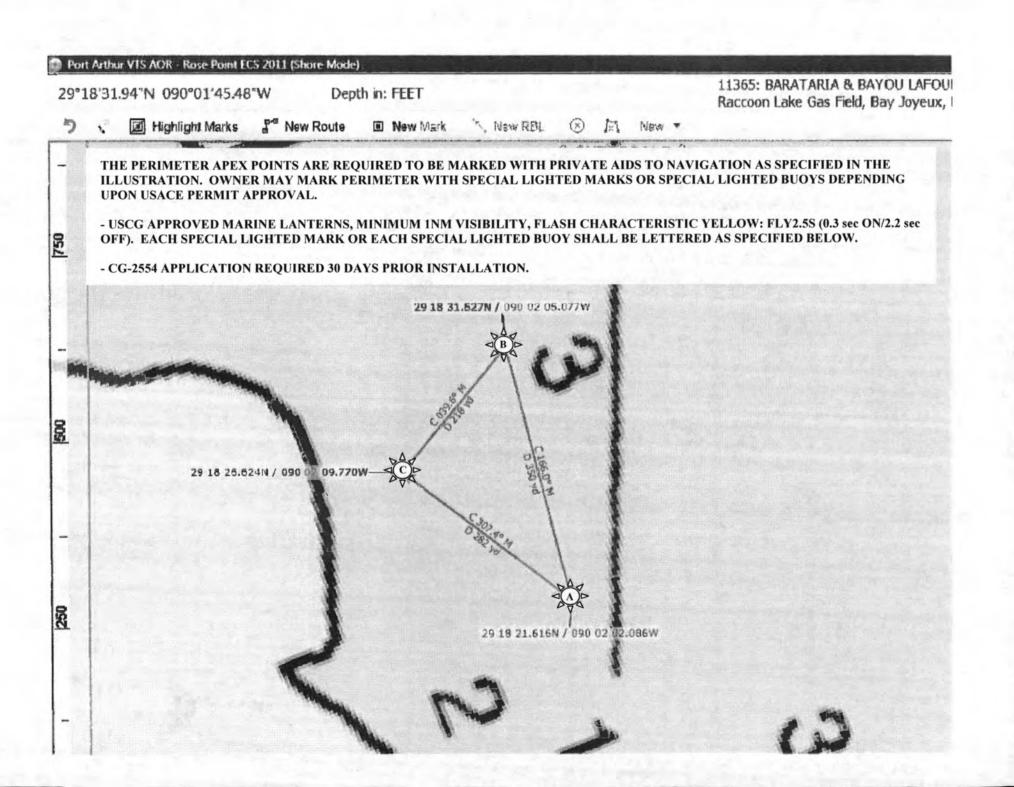
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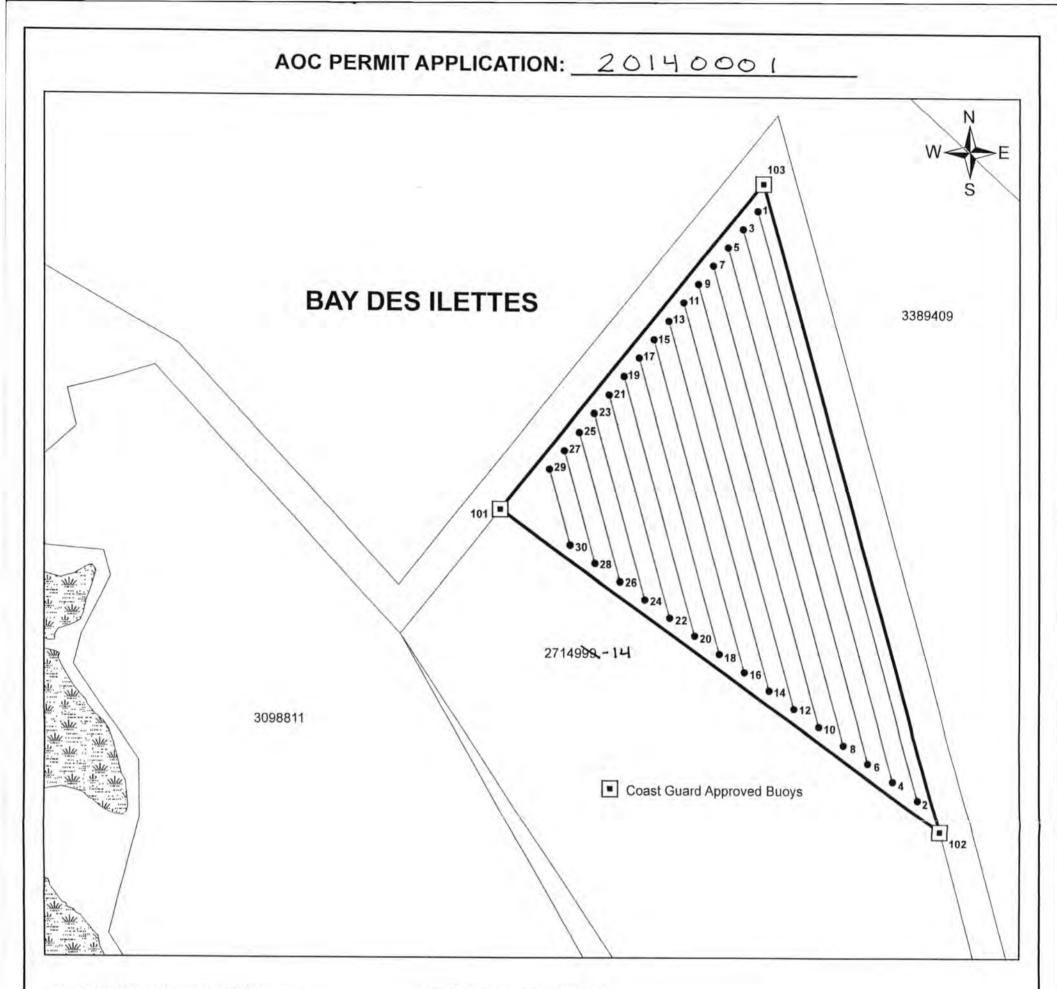
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Two-tiered oyster cage made of 1" square PVC-coated wire mesh with guy ropes for lifting and shock cord for closures and ½" rope handline with buoy.

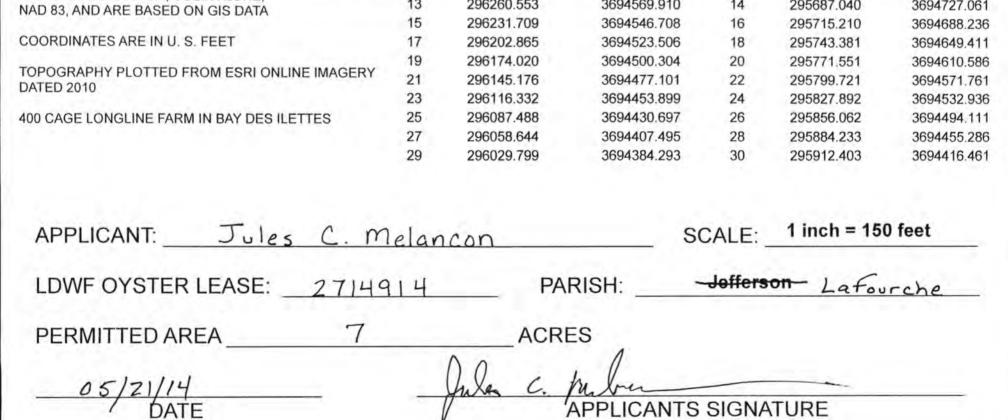




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