

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

STATE OF LOUISIANA



Coast-It Notes

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Greetings from the Louisiana Department of Natural Resources - Office of Coastal Management

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Office of Coastal Management News

OCM invites interested parties to comment concerning renewal of existing OCM General Permits (GPs) 10 (O&G maintenance dredging), 12 (dredging under valid area-wide permit), 13 (drainage canal clean out), 14 (utility installation and soil borings), 15 (dredging commercial slips), 16 (new O&G canal excavation in open water), 17 (CPRA bankline restoration), 19 (general O&G), 21 (shell pad), 22 (seismic surveys), 23 (trenasse clean out) and 27 (port maintenance). Copies of the existing and proposed General Permits and the public notice may be inspected at our office or on the OCM web page

at: <http://dnr.louisiana.gov/index.cfm?md=pagebuilder&tmp=home&pid=728> and <http://dnr.louisiana.gov/index.cfm?md=pagebuilder&tmp=home&pid=591>, respectively.

Comments, including suggestions for modifications or objections to the proposed General Permits and stating the reasons thereof, are being solicited from the public. Comments must be received within 25 days of the date of publication of this notice which was March 22, 2017. All comments must contain the appropriate application number and the commenter's full name and contact information and may be sent to Jay.Pecot@la.gov.

OCM would like to remind everyone that the harvesting of native plants in order to move them to mitigation or restoration sites is prohibited by our office. To meet OCM planting requirements, applicants/permittees are required to obtain all plants from a registered, licensed Louisiana nursery grower. The applicant/permittee must provide to OCM, certification from the contracting nursery that plant materials are of a Louisiana ecotype species and have been acclimated to Louisiana climatic and habitable conditions for at least 90 days prior to planting. In instances where rare circumstances occur and utilizing a registered licensed Louisiana nursery grower is not an option, an applicant/permittee is required to submit a plan to OCM for review. The plan must include the rationale behind the request, and a thorough description of all alternatives. OCM will then determine the acceptability of the plan.

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