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RE: Second Public Notice for Livingston Parish Drainage Improvement Project

To: All interested Federal, State, and Local Agencies, Groups, and Individuals

This is to give notice that the Livingston Parish Government has conducted an evaluation, as required by Executive Orders 11988 and 11990, in accordance with HUD regulations at 24 CFR 55.20 Subpart C Procedures for Making Determinations on Floodplain Management, to determine the potential effect this activity in the floodplain and wetland will have on the human environment.

The proposed project includes the removal of storm- and construction-related debris from eleven culverts along Interstate 12 in the cities of Denham Springs, Walker, Livingston, and Albany in Livingston Parish: 3N/S, 6N/S, 7N/S, 14N/S, 17N/S, 20 N/S, 21N/S, 42.5N/S, 45N/S, 46.7N/S, and 47N/S. The proposed project also includes the removal of storm-related debris from twenty-four waterways in the cities of Livingston, Albany, Denham Springs, Holden, Springfield, Walker, Port Vincent, Maurepas, and Killian: McLin Ditch, Tributary of Blood River, John L. Lane Creek, Hammack Road Creek, Allen Bayou, Holden Creek, Springfield Creek North, Perrilloux Road Creek, Kiss Creek, Smary Branch, Cane Market Canal, Lowe Road Ditch, Goodtime Canal, Grand Canal, Gunboat Landing, Steward Branch, Off Road Tributary, Mayhaw Branch, Taylor Branch Extension, Chinquapin Canals, White Oak Creek, Lower Rome Creek, West Colyell Creek, and Middle Colyell Creek. Approximately 3,753 acres of floodplains will be temporarily impacted during construction of the proposed project.

The Livingston Parish Government has considered the following alternatives and mitigation measures to be taken to minimize adverse impacts and to restore and preserve natural and beneficial values:

1. No Action Alternative: under the No Action Alternative, the Livingston Parish Drainage Improvement Project would not commence, and no impacts to the floodplain would occur.
2. Proposed Action Alternative: under the Proposed Action Alternative, alternate means and methods, such as chip-and-spraying or clearing rights-of-way along waterways, would be utilized, resulting in increased impacts to the floodplain.

The Livingston Parish Government has reevaluated the alternatives to the proposed debris removal within the floodplain, and has determined that it has no practicable alternative. Environmental files that document compliance with steps 3 through 6 of Executive Orders 11988 and 11990 are available for public inspection, review, and copying upon request at the times and location delineated in the last

paragraph of this notice for receipt of comments. This activity will have no significant impact on the environment for the following reasons:

1. No new construction will occur within the proposed culverts and waterways; the proposed culverts and waterways will be restored to their natural or designed drainage capacity through debris removal.

There are three primary purposes for this notice. First, people who may be affected by activities in floodplains and those who have an interest in the protection of the natural environment should be given an opportunity to express their concerns and provide information about these areas. Second, an adequate public notice program can be an important public educational tool. The dissemination of information about floodplains can facilitate and enhance federal efforts to reduce the risks associated with the occupancy and modification of the special areas. Third, as a matter of fairness, when the Federal government determines it will participate in actions taking place in floodplains, it must inform those who may be put at a greater or continued risk.

Written comments must be received by Cory Ricks at ELOS on behalf of the Livingston Parish Government at the following address on or before February 22, 2024 during the hours of 8:00 AM and 5:00 PM.

Cory Ricks, Project Manager/Environmental Scientist

ELOS Environmental, LLC

607 W Morris Ave

Hammond, LA 70403

cricks@elosenv.com

(985) 662-5501

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed bids from contractors will be received by Ziler Architects, A Professional Architectural Corporation, at the offices of the Livingston Parish School Board, located at 13909 Florida Blvd., Livingston, Louisiana (225-686-7044), on March 14, 2024 at 2:00pm CST, for all labor, materials and equipment required to fully complete the project entitled "A NEW SCHOOL: SOUTH FORK JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL, Livingston Parish Public Schools, 23300 Walker South Road/LA Hwy 447, Denham Springs, LA 70726", as designated on the drawings. Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at the time and place stated.

Official Bid Documents are also available at Central Bidding. Printed copies are not available from the Architect, but arrangements can be made to obtain them through most reprographic firms. Plan holders are responsible for their own reproduction costs. Electronic Bids are accepted at Central Bidding. Central Bidding can be accessed at www.centralbidding.com. For questions related to the electronic bidding process, please call Central Bidding at 225-810-4814.

A **Mandatory Pre-Bid Conference** has been scheduled for February 28, 2024 at 10:00am CST, South Fork Junior High School, 23300 Walker South Road/LA Hwy 447, Denham Springs, Louisiana 70726.

All bids shall be accompanied by bid security in an amount of five percent (5.0%) of the sum of the base bid and all alternates. The form of this security shall be as stated in the Instructions to Bidders included in the Bid Documents for this project.

The successful Bidder shall be required to furnish a Performance and Payment Bond written as described in the Instructions to Bidders included in the Bid Documents for this project.

Contract, if awarded, will be on a single lump sum basis to bidders licensed under the provisions of Contractor's Licensing Law of the State of Louisiana. No bid may be withdrawn for a period of forty-five (45) days after receipt of bids, except under the provisions of La. R.S. 38:2214.

Bids will be evaluated by the Purchaser based on cost, quality adaptability of the particular material to the use intended and delivery time of material. The purchaser reserves the right to reject any and all bids, waive informalities, and select the material that best suits his needs, whether the price is the lowest or not.

If the Bidder is notified of the acceptance of the bid within thirty (30) calendar days of the opening of bids, he agrees to execute a contract for the work accepted in the form AIA Document A101, within ten (10) days after receipt of written notice from the owner that the instrument is ready for signature, and that he will complete the work within 550 calendar days. Liquidated damages shall be assessed in the amount of \$700.00 per day in accordance with the requirements as stated in the contract.

Contractors or contracting firms submitting bids in the amount of \$50,000.00 or more shall certify that they are licensed contractors under Chapter 24 of Title 37 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950 and show their license number on the front of the sealed envelope in which their bid is enclosed. **Contractors shall be licensed for the classification of "Building Construction"**. Bids in the amount of \$50,000.00 or more, not submitted in accordance with this requirement, shall be rejected and shall not be read. Additional information relative to licensing may be obtained from the Louisiana State Licensing Board for Contractors, Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

BID REJECTION – The **Livingston Parish Public Schools (Owner)** reserves the right to reject any and all bids for just cause. In accordance with La. R.S. 38:2212 (A) (1) (b), the provisions and requirements of this section, those stated in the advertisement for bids, and those required on the bid form shall not be considered as informalities and shall not be waived by any public entity.

NOTE: BIDDERS MUST MEET THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA CONTRACTOR’S LICENSING LAW, R.S. 37:2151 ET SEQ.

The **Livingston Parish Public Schools** receives funding from the State of Louisiana for the construction of these improvements and is thus subject to the rules, guidelines, regulations and policies that govern them.

The **Livingston Parish Public Schools** encourages all small businesses, minority-owned firms, veteran-owned firms, and women’s business enterprises to participate.

EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY (EEQ) STATEMENT – All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, or national origin.

A NEW SCHOOL: SOUTH FORK JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL
23300 WALKER SOUTH ROAD/LA HWY 447,
DENHAM SPRINGS, LA 70726

LIVINGSTON PARISH PUBLIC SCHOOLS

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Alan Murphy". The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Alan “Joe” Murphy, Superintendent

MEETING CITY OF DENHAM SPRINGS CITY COUNCIL
6:00 P.M. MUNICIPAL BUILDING FEBRUARY 6, 2024

The Meeting of the Denham Springs City Council, convened at 6:00 p.m. on February 6, 2024, in the Court Room of the Municipal Building with Mayor Pro Temp Jeff Wesley presiding.

It was noted that Mayor, all Council Members and the press were notified according to state law.

INVOCATION

Invocation was given by Robert Poole.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Upon roll call, the following members of the City Council were present: Amber Dugas, Jim Gilbert, Lori Lamm-Williams, Robert Poole and Jeff Wesley. A quorum being present the Council Meeting was convened.

Also present: Joan LeBlanc, City Clerk; Stephanie Hulett, City Attorney; Rick Foster, Building Official; Rodney Walker, Police Chief; Richard Stafford, Fire Chief; Mitch Droge, Fire Secretary.

1. Reports: (a) Building Official; (b) City Attorney; (c) Engineers; (d) City Treasurer; (e) Planning and Zoning; (f) Animal Control; (g) Fire Report; (h) Police Report

- (a) **Building Official** – written report submitted
- (b) **City Attorney** – no report
- (c) **Engineers** – no report
- (d) **City Treasurer** – no report
- (e) **Planning and Zoning** – report given on February 5 P&Z meeting
- (f) **Animal Control Report** – no report
- (g) **Fire report** –written report submitted
- (h) **Police Report** –written report submitted

2. Approve as published in the official journal minutes of the January 22, 2024 City Council Meeting.

Upon motion of Poole, seconded by Gilbert, the City Council approved the minutes of January 22, 2024 City Council Meeting.

Upon being submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

Yeas: Dugas, Gilbert, Lamm-Williams, Wesley, Poole
Nays: None
Absent: None
Abstain: None

3. Discuss and take appropriate action adopting the consent agenda for January 1, 2024 through January 31, 2024.

Upon motion of Gilbert, seconded by Poole, the City Council approved the consent agenda for January 1, 2024 through January 31, 2024.

Total	\$2,070,523.70
Payroll & Taxes	\$571,075.61
Accounts Payable	\$1,347,650.52
Natural Gas Payment for December 2023 Purchases	\$129,901.42
Ward 2 Marshal's Office	\$19,787.13
Ward 2 City Court	\$2,109.02

Upon being submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

Yeas: Dugas, Gilbert, Lamm-Williams, Poole, Wesley
Nays: None
Absent: None
Abstain: None

4. **Approve a variance from 25 ft. to 10 ft. located in Section 44, T6S-R3E, G.L.D., Denham Springs, Livingston Parish, LA (V-1031). Requested by Steven Howze (131 Wax St.).**

Upon motion of Poole, seconded by Dugas, the City Council approved a variance from 25 ft. to 10 ft. located in Section 44, T6S-R3E, G.L.D., Denham Springs, Livingston Parish, LA (V-1031).

Upon being submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

Yeas: Dugas, Gilbert, Lamm-Williams, Wesley, Poole
Nays: None
Absent: None
Abstain: None

5. **Adopt Resolution to renew a contract with Advanced Office Care for the Denham Springs Police Department building.**

Upon motion of Dugas, seconded by Lamm-Williams, the City Council adopted a Resolution authorizing Mayor Gerard Landry to renew a contract with Advanced Office Care for the Denham Springs Police Department building at a cost of \$1365.00 per month, for March 13, 2024 to March 12, 2025.

Upon being submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

Yeas: Dugas, Gilbert, Lamm-Williams, Wesley, Poole
Nays: None
Absent: None
Abstain: None

6. **Adopt Resolution for LA Pest Control for services at 940 Government Drive (Street Department Building).**

Upon motion of Lamm-Williams, seconded by Dugas, the City Council adopted a Resolution authorizing Mayor Gerard Landry to enter into a contract with LA Pest Control for services at 940 Government Drive (Street Department Building).

Upon being submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

Yeas: Dugas, Gilbert, Lamm-Williams, Wesley, Poole
Nays: None
Absent: None
Abstain: None

7. **Adopt Resolution for Desire Line Services for Substantial Damage Determination services following a natural disaster.**

Upon motion of Lamm-Williams, seconded by Gilbert, the City Council adopted a Resolution authorizing Mayor Gerard Landry to enter into a contract with Desire Line Services for Substantial Damage Determination services following a natural disaster, at a cost not to exceed \$450,000.00.

Upon being submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

Yeas: Dugas, Gilbert, Lamm-Williams, Wesley, Poole
Nays: None
Absent: None
Abstain: None

8. **Adopt Resolution for Cintas for defibrillators.**

Upon motion of Poole, seconded by Lamm-Williams, the City Council *tabled* taking action for Cintas defibrillators for Gas/Motor Pool Department.

Upon being submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

Yeas: Dugas, Gilbert, Lamm-Williams, Wesley, Poole
Nays: None
Absent: None
Abstain: None

9. Approve and award the bid for renovations at 940 Government Drive.

Upon motion of Gilbert, seconded by Dugas, the City Council approved and awarded the bid for renovations at 940 Government Drive to Blount General Contractors, LLC in the amount of \$74,500.00.

Upon being submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

Yeas: Dugas, Gilbert, Lamm-Williams, Wesley, Poole
Nays: None
Absent: None
Abstain: None

10. Authorize a public hearing for a noise variance for Le Chien Brewing outdoor concert; hearing to be held February 26, 2024.

Upon motion of Lamm-Williams, seconded by Poole, the City Council authorized a public hearing for a noise variance for Le Chien Brewing outdoor concert; hearing to be held February 26, 2024; event planned for March 23, 2024.

Upon being submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

Yeas: Dugas, Gilbert, Lamm-Williams, Wesley, Poole
Nays: None
Absent: None
Abstain: None

Adjournment

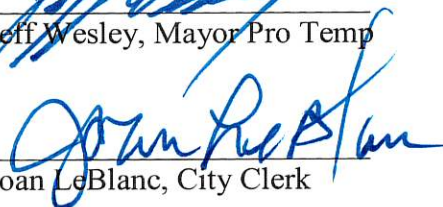
Upon motion of Lamm-Williams, seconded by Poole, the City Council adjourned the meeting.

Upon being submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

Yeas: Dugas, Gilbert, Lamm-Williams, Poole, Wesley
Nays: None
Absent: None
Abstain: None



Jeff Wesley, Mayor Pro Temp



Joan LeBlanc, City Clerk



PUBLIC NOTICE

At 6:00 P.M., on February 26, 2024, Municipal Building, 116 N. Range Ave., Denham Springs, LA, the Denham Springs City Council will hold a public hearing to consider the approval of a noise variance for Le Chien Brewing for an outdoor event on Saturday March 23, 2024 from 11:30 a.m. to 11:00 p.m.

**Gerard Landry, Mayor
City of Denham Springs**

DEMCO BOARD ELECTION
DIXIE ELECTRIC MEMBERSHIP CORPORATION
CALENDAR OF EVENTS

2024 ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
Saturday, May 11, 2024 at 10:00 a.m.

LOCATION OF MEETING
DEMCO Headquarters Facility
16262 Wax Road, Greenwell Springs, LA 70739
(Elections in Districts 1, 2, 7 and 11)

February 12, 2024 – March 8, 2024

Publish the Calendar of Events in the official journal of each parish, including the date, time, and place of the meeting of the Nominating Committee.

March 12, 2024 – March 14, 2024

Pre-qualification period. Members interested in seeking a position on the board of directors are required pursuant to DEMCO bylaws to appear in person between these dates to determine eligibility as prescribed in the corporation's bylaws. Candidates not pre-qualified will not be eligible to seek a position on the board of directors.

March 21, 2024

DEMCO Governance Committee will meet at 3:30 p.m. on this date, if needed, to determine eligibility of director candidates who have pre-qualified. Only candidates who have pre-qualified will be considered.

March 21, 2024

DEMCO Board Meeting at 5:00 p.m., at DEMCO Headquarters. The Committee on Nominations will be appointed at this meeting.

March 21, 2024

The Nominating Committee meeting begins at 5:05 p.m. at DEMCO Headquarters, 16262 Wax Road, Greenwell Springs, LA, with results of the meeting to be posted March 22, 2024.

March 22, 2024

Beginning on this date, pre-qualified director candidates may obtain a petition to run for a seat on the board of directors. DEMCO bylaws require 50 valid signatures for the petition to be validated.

March 22, 2024

This is the Record Date for the 2024 Annual Membership Meeting. A final

list of those members eligible to vote in DEMCO's 2024 Annual Membership Meeting will be prepared.

April 8, 2024

Petitions must be returned to DEMCO headquarters office by 4:30 p.m. and received by the CEO and General Manager's office.

April 18, 2024

The Governance Committee will meet at 3:30 p.m. on this date, if needed, to validate each petition and post the results as required by the corporation's bylaws on this date.

April 22, 2024 – April 26, 2024

The Official Notice of the 2024 Annual Meeting will be mailed to all members of the cooperative during this time.

April 22, 2024

Ballots for the 2024 Annual Meeting will be mailed to members of the cooperative on this date. Members should receive their ballots by Saturday, April 27, 2024 — VOTE and mail your ballot immediately.

May 3, 2024

The deadline for receiving ballots for the 2024 Annual Membership Meeting is 4:30 p.m. on this date — DO NOT DELAY — VOTE

May 6, 2024 – May 7, 2024

Ballots will be counted during this period by the certified public accountants selected by DEMCO to conduct the annual meeting. Candidates will be advised as to the time and place that the ballots will be counted.

May 11, 2024

Annual meeting and election results announced at 10:00 a.m., at 16262 Wax Road, Greenwell Springs, LA 70739.

**SPECIAL MEETING
FEBRUARY 5, 2024**

The Special meeting for the Mayor and Board of Alderman was held Monday, February 5, 2024, at the Springfield Municipal Building at 27378 Hwy 42 at 7:00pm. Those present were Mayor Tommy Abels, Alderman Tracy Bryson, Jimmy Fabre, Greg Hill, Marty Starkey and Hunter Stoetzner. The town attorney John Watts was also present.

Motion by Marty Starkey seconded by Jimmy Fabre to appoint Greg Hill as Alderman for the Town of Springfield.

Yays: Bryson, Fabre, Starkey, Stoetzner
Nays: None
Absent: None
Abstain: None

The Town Attorney swore Greg Hill in as Alderman for the Town of Springfield.

Motion by Tracy Bryson seconded by Hunter Stoetzner to enter into a contract with Primtek LLC for a website for the Town of Springfield.

Yays: Bryson, Fabre, Starkey, Stoetzner
Nays: None
Absent: None
Abstain: None

Motion by Tracy Bryson seconded by Greg Hill to donate \$1000.00 to help pay for material for the Town of Springfield's Annual Easter Egg Hunt, held in Fayard field. Will post date soon.

Yays: Bryson, Fabre, Starkey, Stoetzner
Nays: None
Absent: None
Abstain: None

Motion by Jimmy Fabre seconded by Marty Starkey to adopt the Policy and Procedures for the Disaster Recovery Program.

Yays: Bryson, Fabre, Starkey, Stoetzner
Nays: None
Absent: None
Abstain: None

Motion by Jimmy Fabre seconded by Marty Starkey to adjourn.

Yays: Bryson, Fabre, Starkey, Stoetzner
Nays: None

Absent: None
Abstain: None

Motion by Jimmy Fabre seconded by Marty Starkey to adjourn.

Yays: Bryson, Fabre, Starkey, Stoetzner
Nays: None
Absent: None
Abstain: None

Marie Kreutzer
Marie Kreutzer, Town clerk

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that, in accordance with L.R.S. 3:1609 and LAC 7:XV.314 (A), the Louisiana Department of Agriculture & Forestry, Louisiana Boll Weevil Eradication Commission, has established a boll weevil eradication zone, the Louisiana Eradication Zone, consisting of all the territory within the state of Louisiana.

Notice is further given that all producers of commercial cotton in Louisiana are required to participate in the boll weevil eradication program, including cost sharing, in accordance with the Boll Weevil Eradication Law and regulations. This includes, but is not limited to, reporting of cotton acreage and destruction of cotton plants and stalks by December 31 of each crop year. A copy of the law and rules and regulations may be obtained from the Boll Weevil Eradication Commission, 5825 Florida Blvd. Ste. 3002, Baton Rouge, La. 70806, telephone number (225) 922-1338.

Notice is also given that the planting of noncommercial cotton is PROHIBITED in Louisiana unless a written waiver is obtained from the Commissioner of Agriculture & Forestry in accordance with LAC 7:XV.319(C). To request a waiver, submit a written application to the Department of Agriculture and Forestry, at the address provided in this notice, stating the conditions under which such written waiver is requested.

NOTICE OF INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the following entitled ordinance was introduced in writing in the form required for adoption at a meeting of the Parish Council of the Parish of Livingston, State of Louisiana, on February 8, 2024, and laid over for publication of notice:

L.P. ORDINANCE NO. 24-03

AN ORDINANCE TO ADOPT AN IMMEDIATE MORATORIUM PROHIBITING THE CONSIDERATION OR SUBMITTAL OF ANY PRELIMINARY PLATS FOR RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENTS IN COUNCIL DISTRICT 5 CREATING MORE THAN 3 LOTS FOR A PERIOD OF ONE YEAR TO ALLOW THE ADOPTION OF A COMPREHENSIVE NEW ZONING PROGRAM AND THE DEVELOPMENT OF PLANS FOR INFRASTRUTURE TO ACCOMODATE ANTICIPATED FUTURE GROWTH

NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN that the Parish Council of said Parish will meet on February 22, 2024, at six (6:00) o'clock p.m., at the Parish Council Chambers at 20355 Government Boulevard, Livingston, Louisiana, at which time there will be a public hearing on the adoption of the aforesaid ordinance.

\s\ **Sandy C. Teal**

Sandy C. Teal, Council Clerk

\s\ **John Wascom**

John Wascom, Council Chairman

(As per rules of the Council, copies of the proposed ordinance shall be made available for public inspection in the Office of the Livingston Parish Council.)

