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

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• The FY16/17 rate for monetary contribution to satisfy Beneficial Use of Dredged Material requirements is $1.00/cu. yd. of material excavated. All applications received after July 1, 2016 for which beneficial use of dredged material is required and the monetary contribution option is selected will be charged this rate.

• OCM will be reviewing the Needs, Alternatives and Justification (NAJ) and Hydrologic Modification Impact Analysis (HMIA) guides. At this time we are asking for any feedback you may have on the guides that will help us improve them. Is there anything that doesn’t work well or needs more clarification?

  Regarding NAJ, are the types of uses sufficient or do we need to develop more guides to cover other uses? Are the tiers within each guide adequate or should the tier thresholds be adjusted (how)?

  Regarding HMIA, do the types of uses in each level fit? Are there other uses that should be included in certain levels or moved from one level to another? Do we need more levels? Is there data/information that we do not request that would be helpful?

Please send your comments to christine.charrier@la.gov.

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