MEMORANDUM FOR:

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FROM:

Christy Fellas, DWH Environmental Compliance Coordinator

NOAA Restoration Center, Southeast Region

DATE:

October 23, 2019

SUBJECT:

LA TIG RP/EA #1.3: ESA and MMPA No Effect Determinations for the

Shoreline Protection at Jean Lafitte National Historical Park and

Preserve Project

Based on my review of project materials including the Biological Evaluation forms (Summer 2019), and in coordination with representatives from NOAA's Protected Resource Division (PRD) in the Southeast Regional Office, the NOAA Restoration Center (RC) determined that the shoreline protection at Jean Lafitte National Historical Park and Preserve Project will have no effect to species or habitats listed under the Endangered Species Act animals protected by the Marine Mammal Protection Act under the jurisdiction of National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS).

This is due to the project being located in an inland freshwater marsh area where sea turtles and marine mammals are not present. These projects may be within the jurisdiction of US Fish and Wildlife.

These projects will not require further evaluation under ESA or MMPA for species or habitats under the jurisdiction of NMFS. If the project is modified in a way that could change these determinations, it will be reevaluated as appropriate.