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Memorandum

To: Director, Gulf of Mexico Restoration

From: for Deputy Associate Director, Natural Resource Stewardship and Science

Subject: Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill NRDAR Activities: Concurrence on the Texas Trustee

Implementation Group's "Final Restoration Plan and Environmental Assessment #2"

and Finding of No Significant Effect (FONSI)

In accordance with our role as an affected bureau in the Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill Natural Resource Damage Assessment and Restoration (NRDAR) case and settlement, National Park Service (NPS) WASO, Regional, and park staff have reviewed the "Texas Trustee Implementation Group Final Restoration Plan and Environmental Assessment #2: Restoration of Wetlands, Coastal, and Nearshore Habitats; Nutrient Reduction; Oysters; Sea Turtles; and Birds" (TX TIG RP/EA#2) and provided input into its development. Based on our review of this document, I find that it adequately addresses potential impacts to NPS resources.

In accordance with the Departmental Manual (521 DM 3.2) regarding approval of NEPA documents by an Authorized Official, I am hereby providing NPS concurrence for of the Final TX TIG RP/EA2 and the associated FONSI and their release to the public.

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