

August 13, 2019

Rachel W. Sweeny Program Manager, Deepwater Horizon Restoration Program National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration 1315 East West Highway Silver Spring, MD 20910

Re: Deepwater Horizon Open Ocean Trustee Implementation Group

- Reduction of Post-Release Mortality from Barotrauma in Gulf of Mexico Reef Fish Recreational Fisheries
- o Better Bycatch Reduction Devices for the Gulf of Mexico Commercial Shrimp Trawl Fishery
- o Restoring for Bluefin Tuna via Fishing Depth Optimization
- o Developing Methods to Detect Sea Turtle Bycatch in the Gulf of Mexico Menhaden Purse Seine Fishery
- o Developing a Gulf-Wide Comprehensive Plan for In-water Sea Turtle Data Collection
- o Reducing Juvenile Sea Turtle Bycatch Through Development of Reduced Bar Spacing in Turtle Excluder Devices
- o Reducing Impacts to Cetaceans During Disasters by Improving Response Activities
- o Reduce Impacts of Anthropogenic Noise on Cetaceans
- o Reduce and Mitigate Vessel Strike Mortality of Cetaceans
- Active Management and Protection (Mesophotic and Deep Benthic Communities)
 CMP#: 19-1305-F2

Dear Ms. Sweeny:

Pursuant to Title 31 Natural Resources and Conservation, Part 16 Coastal Coordination Council rules, Section 506.30, the project referenced above has been reviewed for consistency with the Texas Coastal Management Program (CMP).

It has been determined that there are no significant unresolved consistency issues with respect to the project. Therefore, this project is consistent with the CMP goals and policies.

Please note that this letter does not authorize the use of Coastal Public Land. No work may be conducted or structures placed on State-owned land until you have obtained all necessary authorizations, including any required by the General Land Office and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at (409) 741-4057 or at federal.consistency@glo.texas.gov

Sincerely,

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