PHASE IV DEBRIS REMOVAL SURVEY
Preliminary Environmental Unit Review

Waterway: Fort Canal, 8232, Orleans Parish

NOAA reviewer: Debra Simecek-Beatty DSB

Date: 5/15/08

Checklist of Environmental Factors – Assess the potential for impacts to the following resources/areas and coordinate as necessary:

☒ Habitat/environmental sensitivity
Do not cause physical harm to marsh.

☒ Threatened/endangered species
Rare plant (ESI 436) in area. Gulf Sturgeon maybe in adjacent waters.

☐ Cultural/historical resources

☒ Oyster habitat
Oyster leases south of survey area in Lake Borgne. Avoid Lake Borne during transit if possible.

☒ State/federal/tribal lands
Survey and removal activities should be coordinated with Bayou Sauvage National Wildlife Refuge because site is in Refuge. Contact Jack Bohannan at 985-882-2026. Do not enter Refuge without consultation with manager.

☐ Scenic waterway

Summary and Conclusions of Environmental Review:

Habitat/environmental sensitivity: Brackish marsh.

Threatened/endangered species: ESI indicates rare plant (436) east-northeast of survey site; avoid area. Gulf Sturgeon in adjacent waterways but should not be affected by survey and removal operations

Cultural/historic resources: No known resources.

Oyster habitat: Oyster lease in Lage Borgne. Avoid transiting area.

State/federal/tribal lands: Survey is in Bayou Sauvage National Wildlife Refuge.

Scenic waterway: Not a scenic waterway.