

**PHASE IV DEBRIS REMOVAL SURVEY**  
**Preliminary Environmental Unit Review**

Waterway: 8616 Lake Menchant

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

- Habitat/environmental sensitivity –
  - ◆ Intermediate and Salt Marshes are present in the survey area. Survey teams and equipment should remain in water to avoid physical damage to habitat.
- Threatened/endangered species –
  - ◆ Threatened raptors are in the vicinity of Lake Menchant
- Cultural/historical resources –
- Oyster habitat –
  - ◆ Oyster leases are present in Lake Menchant and surrounding waters. Confirm all transit and survey routes avoid sensitive or privately-owned areas and/or do not disturb bottom habitats.
- State/federal/tribal lands –
- Scenic waterway –

**Summary and Conclusions of Environmental Review:**

**Habitat/environmental sensitivity:** Marshes in this area are sensitive to impact and survey teams should remain in the water to minimize potential adverse impacts to habitat.

**Threatened/endangered species:** Adverse effects to rare raptors can be avoided by staying several thousand feet from nest trees, adjacent terrestrial habitats to waterway, and maintaining situational awareness of coastal waters during boat surveys.

**Cultural/historical resources:** No known resources. No coordination required.

**Oyster habitat:** Oyster leases are present in Lake Menchant and surrounding waters. Do not deviate from pre-planned transit and survey routes designed to avoid these areas and avoid disturbing bottom lands.

**State/federal/tribal lands:** Lands with special ownership are not present in this waterway

**Scenic waterway:** Not a scenic waterway