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STATE PROJECT NO. H.005898  
F.A.P. NO. H005898  
SUBMERGED ROADS PROGRAM-PHASE B  
MULTIPLE STATE AND NON-STATE ROUTES  
ORLEANS AND JEFFERSON PARISHES

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SUBJECT: Solicitation of Views

Early in the planning stages of a transportation facility, views from federal, state, and local agencies, organizations, and individuals are solicited. The special expertise of these groups can assist DOTD with the early identification of possible adverse economic, social, or environmental effects or concerns. Your assistance in this regard will be appreciated.

Due to the earliness of this request for your views, very limited data concerning the proposed project exists. However, we have attached maps showing the location of the proposed project, along with a preliminary project description.

It is requested that you review the attached information and furnish us with your views and comments by **November 6, 2011**. Replies should be addressed to LADOTD; Environmental Engineer Administrator; P.O. Box 94245; Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804-9245. Please reference the captioned project in your reply.

Sincerely,

*for* Noel Ardoin  
Environmental Engineer Administrator

Attachments  
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**PRELIMINARY PROJECT DESCRIPTION  
STATE PROJECT NO. H.005898  
SUBMERGED ROADS PROGRAM-PHASE B**

The Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development (DOTD), in cooperation with the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), are implementing Phase B of the Submerged Roads Program in Orleans and Jefferson parishes to make improvements on sections of roadway damaged by inundation following Hurricane Katrina. A total of 30 roadways have been identified for repair at this time (see attached list and maps). The proposed work will consist of pavement patching and overlay; installation of Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) ramps (including associated curb adjustments), and manhole and catch basin adjustments to align with new pavement improvements. The proposed work will not extend beyond the existing sub-base, and no natural ground surface will be affected. All construction will take place within the existing right-of-way.

Many of the projects in the New Orleans area are located within National Register of Historic Places (NRHP) listed historic districts. The historic districts that include these road projects are Broadmoor, Mid City, Esplanade Ridge, Gentilly, City Park, Lower Central Business District, New Marigny, Parkview, Vieux Carre, Holy Cross, Faubourg-Marigny, and Uptown. Historic streetscape features (such as granite curbs, street tiles, etc.), trees, manhole covers, drainage inlets, and other features located both inside and outside of historic district boundaries will be identified and marked prior to construction activities. Precautionary measures will be taken to minimize impacts to these features and items. Trees, shrubs, and other landscape items within five feet of the back of the curb in residential or commercial parking strips or in the neutral ground (median) will be identified and barricaded with orange construction fencing. The fencing will be used to protect trees, shrubs, planting beds, historical markers, monuments, statues, fountains, benches, and play equipment.

Minor tree trimming may be included with the roadway repairs in order to accommodate the equipment anticipated for use during construction and/or for tree roots encountered during construction activities. Tree trimming and pruning activities will be performed with a Louisiana licensed arborist present. Project plans will be provided to the New Orleans Department of Parks and Parkways for their review and comment prior to construction activities.

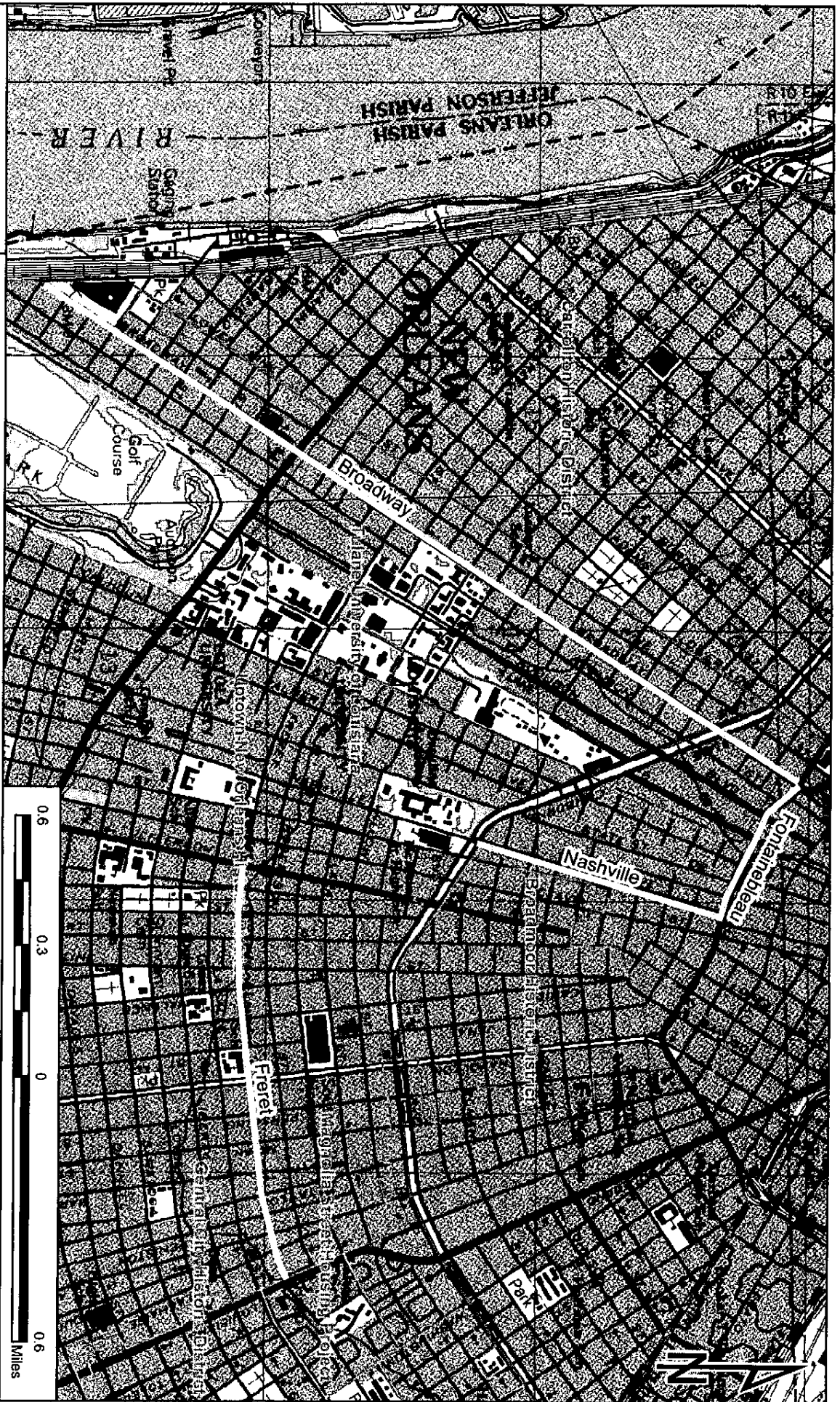
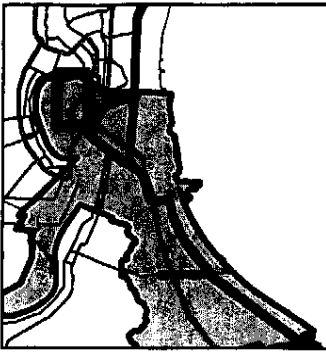
Some roadway closures may be required during construction. It is anticipated, where feasible, to maintain traffic on at least one lane in each direction. If required, detour routes will be signed. The construction of some roadway segments may warrant night-time construction due to traffic concerns. Any night-time construction activities will be coordinated directly with the New Orleans Department of Public Works.

## List of Proposed Roadways

<b>Roadway</b>	<b>Limits</b>
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Freret	(Louisiana - Jefferson)
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Fontainebleau	(Broadway - Nashville)
Jefferson Davis	(Grvier - Canal)
Bienville	(Jefferson Davis - Carrollton)(Half Sect.)
Bienville	(Jefferson Davis - Carrollton)(Half Sect.)
Banks	(Carrollton - St. Patrick)
City Park Avenue	(Canal - Orleans)
Esplanade	(Moss Street - N. Claiborne)
Basin	(Canal Street - N. Claiborne)
Rampart	(Iberville - Esplanade)
Rampart	(Esplanade - Elysian Fields)
Forstall	(Douglass St. - N. Claiborne)
Tupelo Street	(Douglass Street - St. Claude Ave.)
St. Bernard	(N. Rampart - Sere)(asphalt section)
Gentilly Blvd.	(Paris - Broad)
Filmore	(West End - Canal)
Filmore	(Marconi - Wisner)
Robert E. Lee	(Elysian Fields - Franklin)
Franklin	(Filmore - Gentilly)
Hayne	(Press - Congress)
Congress	(Hayne - Madrid)
Congress	(Madrid - Chef Mentur)
Morrison	(Lamb - Mayo)
Mayo	(Hayne - I-10)(4 lane)
Mayo	(Hayne - I-10)(2 lane)
Alvar	(Chef Menteur - Florida)(composite section)
Alvar	(Chef Menteur - Florida)(concrete section)
Leonidas	(Palmetto - Earhart)
Clearview	(Veterans - Kawanee)
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Location Map  
 Source: USGS 1:24,000  
 Topographic Map, New Orleans West  
  
 State Project No. H.005898  
 Federal Aid Project No. H005898  
 Submerged Roads Program - Phase B  
 Route: Fontainebleau, Nashville, Broadway, Freret  
 Orleans Parish

