



**STATE OF MISSISSIPPI**

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**MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF MARINE RESOURCES**

William W. Walker, Ph.D., Executive Director

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Stephanie L. Willis  
Senior Attorney  
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration  
Office of General Counsel  
263 13<sup>th</sup> Avenue South, Suite 177  
St. Petersburg, FL 33701

Re: DMR-130146; Comprehensive Program for Enhanced Management of Avian Breeding  
Habitat Injured by Response in the Gulf Islands National Seashore (GUIS)

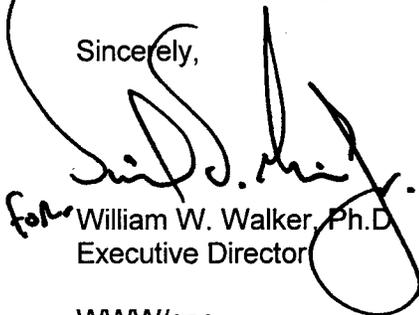
Dear Ms. Willis:

The Department of Marine Resources in cooperation with other state agencies is responsible under the Mississippi Coastal Program (MCP) for managing the coastal resources of Mississippi. Proposed activities in the coastal area are reviewed to insure that the activities are in compliance with the MCP.

The Department has reviewed the proposed project to enhance affected beach-nesting and shorebird habitats within the GUIS in Jackson and Harrison counties, Mississippi. This activity has been determined to be consistent to the maximum extent practicable with the Mississippi Coastal Program.

The above granted consistency certification was based upon the information presented. If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Greg Christodoulou with the Bureau of Wetlands Permitting at (228) 523-4109 or [greg.christodoulou@dmr.ms.gov](mailto:greg.christodoulou@dmr.ms.gov).

Sincerely,

  
for William W. Walker, Ph.D.  
Executive Director

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cc: Harriet M. Deal, U.S. Department of the Interior