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NEW ORLEANS JAZZ NATIONAL HISTORICAL PARK

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Under the provisions of Title 36, Code of Federal Regulations, Chapter 1, Part 1, 1.7(b), the following Superintendent's Orders have been established for Jean Lafitte National Historical Park and Preserve and New Orleans Jazz NHP.

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Jean Lafitte National Historical Park and Preserve (JELA) and New Orleans Jazz National Historical Park (JAZZ) Sites

Operating Hours

Jean Lafitte National Historical Park and Preserve

- **Acadian Cultural Center** (Lafayette) is open daily 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Closed December 25 and Mardi Gras.
- **Prairie Acadian Cultural Center** (Eunice) is open Tuesday-Friday 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. and Saturday 8:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Closed December 25.
- **Wetlands Acadian Cultural Center** (Thibodaux) is open Monday-Tuesday 9:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m., Wednesday-Thursday 9:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m., and Friday-Saturday 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Closed December 25 and Mardi Gras.
- **Barataria Preserve** (Marrero) is open daily 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Closed December 25 and Mardi Gras.
- **French Quarter Visitor Center** (New Orleans) is open daily 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Closed December 25 and Mardi Gras.
- **Chalmette Battlefield** (Chalmette) is open daily 9:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Closed December 25 and Mardi Gras.
- **Park Headquarters.** Open Monday through Friday, 8:00 am to 4:30 pm. Closed on weekends, Mardi Gras day and official Federal holidays.

New Orleans Jazz NHP

- **French Quarter Visitor Center**
  916 N. Peters Street:
  Open 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday, year round except Thanksgiving, Christmas, Mardi Gras and New Year's Day
- **Headquarters**, 419 Decatur Street:
  Open8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Monday – Friday. Closed Federal Holidays and Mardi Gras Day.
- **Perseverance Hall,** Louis Armstrong Park
  Open 0900 a.m. -5:00 p.m. on Saturdays
- **Old US Mint**, 400 Esplanade Avenue:
  Open 10:00 a.m. -4:30 p.m. Tuesday-Sunday closed during all state holidays

NOTE: Closures for Mardi Gras will be decided on a case by case basis. Announcements will be posted accordingly.

Policy on Closed Circuit Television

New Orleans Jazz National Historical Park

Jean Lafitte National Historical Park and Preserve

In accordance with National Park Service Law Enforcement Reference Manual, RM-9, the public is to be notified when parks monitor security cameras through CCTV. Jean Lafitte NHPP and New Orleans JAZZ NHP uses CCTV for the purpose of monitoring security cameras to "help ensure public safety and security; facilitate the detection, investigation, prevention and deterrence of terrorist attack and crime; help ensure the safety of citizens and officers; help assist in the proper allocation and deployment of law enforcement and public safety resources; help facilitate the protection of the innocent and the apprehension and prosecution of Criminals" (RM-9. 26.1) Furthermore, the cameras will be used "only…to visually monitor public park areas and public activities where no constitutionally protected reasonable expectation of privacy exists" (RM-9, 26.1)

Attached: August 26, 2010 memorandum to all employees regarding Closed Circuit Television Monitoring.

United States Department of the Interior

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE
Jean Lafitte National Historical Park and Preserve
419 Decatur Street
New Orleans, Louisiana 70130-1035

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August 26, 2010

Memorandum

To: All Employees, Jean Lafitte National Historical Park and Preserve and New Orleans Jazz National Historical Park

From: Superintendent, Jean Lafitte National Historical Park and Preserve and New Orleans Jazz National Historical Park

Subject: Closed Circuit Television

Chief Ranger John Hughes is overseeing the installation and monitoring of closed circuit television (CCTV) at JELA/JAZZ. The decision to employ this technology happens in response to safety concerns expressed by park employees. These reports coincided with incidents of theft of government and personal property. After a review of Department of Interior policy and law, a decision was made to invest in CCTV at JELA/JAZZ.

The use of this technology equips law enforcement with a tool to act on their commitment to employee and visitor safety. The use of CCTV at JELA/JAZZ is limited to areas where increased law enforcement surveillance is needed. CCTV cameras are authorized to operate in public use areas of special concern and will *not* be placed in areas where employees have a right to privacy.

By law, information obtained by the video cameras will only be retained for a maximum of 6 months unless there is evidentiary value at which time the recordings will be secured in the evidence vault. Access to CCTV video recordings is limited to select JELA/JAZZ management officials and law enforcement officers.

Please direct any questions or concerns regarding the usage of the video cameras to Chief Ranger John Hughes who will review your concerns in a timely manner.

Carol A. Clark
Superintendent

Jean Lafitte National Historical Park and Preserve
New Orleans JAZZ National Historical Park

-Parkwide-

1.5 Closures and Public Use Limits

(a) (1) Possession of firearms in all areas under the administration of JELA and JAZZ is prohibited without a valid concealed carry permit. Using a Paint Ball Gun, Air Rifle, BB Gun or a Blow Gun in all areas under the administration of JELA and JAZZ is prohibited. Items included in this closure order include all firearms, compressed gas, or spring powered pistol or rifle, bow and arrow, cross bow, blowgun, spear gun, hand thrown spear, slingshot, irritant gas device, explosive device, or any and all implements used to discharge missiles, and includes all weapons and those that are prohibited under the laws of State of Louisiana in which the park is located.

Discussion: Due to the inherently dangerous situations that arise from projectiles emitted from a Paintball Gun, BB Gun, Air Rifle, or Blow Gun, use of any of these instruments are prohibited in areas under the authority of JELA and JAZZ. Danger to park visitors, employees, wildlife and property is a major factor in this regulation. Litter from spent paintballs, and damage to park resources and damage to property is a factor in prohibiting the use of the above listed instruments.

Exceptions:
Firearms, Bow and Arrows, or crossbows may be possessed and used by licensed hunters during regulated hunting periods and only in those designated hunting zones of the park.

(a) (2) Begging, soliciting, panhandling, or playing "street games" in areas under the administration of JELA or JAZZ is prohibited. This includes, but is not limited to, requesting money, harassing visitors and employees for spare change. Included in this section is unwanted conversation with persons seeking to gain trust of the park visitor in order to obtain money from them as well as unwanted conversation from persons asking questions of park visitors and employees in order to find out personal information about them.

Discussion: In an effort to curb an increase in park visitors being hassled and harassed by street persons seeking money and food, the park has adopted provisions banning all types of begging, soliciting money, and panhandling in areas under the administration of JELA and JAZZ . This will be important to persons wishing to visit the park without being intimidated into giving money to strangers in order to get into and out of the park. This ban will facilitate a more favorable experience by park visitors and employees who are harassed coming and going from work.

1.5 EPAMD. (Electric Personal Assistive Mobility Device or Segway)

36 CFR 1.5 (a) (2)

- EPAMD's, when used by a mobility impaired person for locomotion, may be used in all portions of Jean Lafitte NHPP and New Orleans JAZZ NHP in the same manner as a motorized wheelchair with the following restrictions:

  - An electric personal assistive mobility device (EPAMD) is defined as a self balancing two non-tandem wheeled device, designed to transport only one person, with an electric propulsion system, with an average power of 750 watts (one horsepower), whose maximum speed on a paved level surface is typically less than 20 miles per hour.
  - EPAMD's shall be limited to a maximum of 4 miles per hour in park areas.
  - An EPAMD's operator traveling on a sidewalk, trail, or other pedestrian accessible area of the park shall have the rights and duties of a pedestrian, shall exercise due care to avoid colliding with pedestrians, and shall yield the right to way to pedestrians.
  - EPAMD's operators will be at least 16 years of age.
  - EPAMD's will be allowed on boardwalks, paved trails, and inside of visitor centers.

All boardwalk trails are open for travel utilizing electric powered mobility assistance devices (e.g. electric scooters, wheelchairs, Segway devices) for the purpose of transporting persons with disabilities. (Dirt trails are not included in this provision.) The use of Segways and motorized scooters as a mobility assistance device, as outlined above, must also adhere to the following:

A person shall operate a mobility device in a safe and responsible manner; maximum speed will not exceed more than 3 miles per hour so as not to endanger one's self or other park visitors. A person riding any mobility assistive device on a sidewalk, entering or exiting an elevator, or on any other surface shall have all the rights and duties applicable to a pedestrian, except that the operator must always yield to other pedestrians.

Justification: EPAMD's have increasingly become a common mode of conveyance and are often adopted as a mode of conveyance by mobility impaired persons. These devices provide benefits by increasing the number of areas that are accessible to those persons.

1.6 Permits

A Scientific Research and Collecting Permit is required for most scientific activities pertaining to natural resources or social science studies that involve fieldwork, specimen collection, and/or have the potential to disturb resources or visitors in the park. When permits are required for scientific activities pertaining solely to cultural resources, including archeology, ethnography, history, cultural museum objects, cultural landscapes, and historic and prehistoric structures, other permit procedures apply. The park's Research Coordinator (504-598-3882 x119) can provide guidance on NPS research-related permit applications and information regarding other permits. Additional information on Scientific Research and Collecting Permits and application materials are available on the NPS Research Permit and Reporting System website here: **https://science.nature.nps.gov/research/ac/ResearchIndex**.

The following is a compilation of those activities for which a permit from the Superintendent is required:

- 2.5 (a) Specimen Collection (Take plant, fish, wildlife, rocks or minerals.
- 2.17 Aircraft and Air Delivery
  (a)(3) Delivery or retrieval of a person or object by parachute, helicopter or other airborne means.
  (c)(1) removal of a down aircraft
- 2.38(a) Explosives: Use, posses, store, transporting explosives, and possession of blasting agents.
- 2.50(a) Conduct a sports event, pageant, regatta, public spectator attraction, entertainment, ceremony, and similar events.
- 2.51(a) Public assemblies, meetings, gatherings, demonstrations, parades, and other public expressions of views.
- 2.52(c) Sale or distribution of printed mater that is not solely commercial advertising.
- 2.61(a) Residing on federal lands.
- 5.1 Advertisements- (Display, posting, or distribution)
- 5.3 Engaging in or soliciting any business (requires a permit, contract or other written agreement with the United States, or must be pursuant to special regulations.)
- 5.5 Commercial Photography/Filming
  (a) Commercial filming of motion pictures or television involving the use of professional actors and equipment.
- 5.7 Construction of buildings, facilities, trails, roads, boat docks, path, or structure, etc.

1.6 Continued ***Special Use Permits:***

Permits are required for certain special uses of the park. Permits are required for short-term activities which provide a benefit to an individual, group, or organization rather than to the public at large; which require written authorization and some degree of management control from the NPS in order to protect park resources and the public interest; and which are not prohibited by law or regulation. Requests for Special Use Permits should be directed to the park permit coordinator at 504-589-3882. Ask the operator to be connected to the permit coordinator.

2.21 **SMOKING**

(a) The Superintendent may designate a portion of a park area, a, or all or a portion of a building or structure as closed to smoking when necessary to protect park resources, reduce the risk of fire, or prevent conflicts among visitor use activities. Smoking in an area or location so designated is prohibited.

The Superintendent has prohibited smoking in all government owned, leased or rented, structures including vehicles, heavy machinery, vessels, and tractors. Smoking in the headquarters Carriage way, Courtyard, and adjacent bathrooms is prohibited.

Designated Smoking areas for employees, volunteers, and researchers are located as follows:

Park Headquarters: Smoking is allowed in the rear of the building at the small fenced in area at the rear of the courtyard.
Thibodaux Unit: Smoking is allowed 25ft from the theater greenrooms entrance (outside).
Lafayette Unit: Smoking is allowed at the end of the low brick wall adjacent to the emergency parking area.
Chalmette Visitors Center: Smoking is allowed 25ft from the employee (side) entrance of the facility.
Chalmette Malus-Beauregard House: Smoking is allowed 25ft from the main entrances of the facility.
Chalmette Carriage House/Superintendent's Lodge: Smoking is allowed 25ft from the main entrances of both buildings in the parking lot.
Barataria Unit: Smoking is allowed on the rear Visitor Center's boardwalk immediately behind and adjacent to the interpretive supervisor's office.
Barataria Maintenance Facility: Smoking is allowed 25ft from both main office entrance and flammable material storage areas.
Barataria Jones Point Office: Smoking is allowed 25ft from main office entrances on the side or rear of the building.
Barataria Education Center: Smoking is allowed 25ft from the rear entrance of the facility.
Eunice: Smoking is allowed in the covered front patio area 25ft from the main entrance of the facility.
Armstrong Park: Smoking is allowed under the awning at the rear of Perseverance Hall.
JAZZ VC: Smoking is allowed 25ft from the main entrance of the facility.

US Mint: ***Smoking is allowed on the outside of the US Mint building. (In compliance with state of Louisiana regulations) These regulations are posted at :***
http://slati.lungusa.org/state-teml.asp?id=18

- **2009 Directors Orders Smoking Policy 50D**
- 4.1.1 Smoking is prohibited in the following areas:
  - Within all any type of government owned or leased vehicle including heavy equipment, water craft, or aircraft.
  - In any facility designated by the site manager as closed to smoking. A site manager may at any time close an area or facility to smoking when necessary to (a) protect park resources, (b) reduce risk of fire, (C) protect employees and visitors from ETS(2nd Hand) exposure, or (d) prevent conflicts among employees or visitors.
  - *Smoking is defined as the use or carrying of a lighted cigarette, pipe, or other tobacco product.*
  - In the interior space of all NPS owned, leased, or administered buildings

- Within 25 feet of any entrance or exit primarily accessed by the visiting public
- Within 25 feet of any entrance or exit not primarily accessed by the visiting public, where smoking would result in smoke traveling through doorways, windows, air ducts, or any other opening.

Rationale:

In accordance with Directors Order 50D, dated 06/29/2009, entitled "Smoking Policy"
To protect employees and visitors from the health hazards, conflict, and annoyances that can be associated with environmental tobacco smoke exposure, commonly known as second hand smoke. As well as mitigate the possible damage to park resources caused by the careless burning of tobacco products.

ACADIAN SITES

1.5 **CLOSURES AND PUBLIC USE LIMITS**

(a) (1) **PARKING MOTOR VEHICLES IN DESIGNATED PARKING LOTS OUTSIDE OF POSTED OPERATING HOURS:** Parking a motor vehicle in designated parking lot outside of posted operating hours is prohibited.

DISCUSSION: Prohibiting motor vehicles from being parked beyond posted gate closure hours provides a reasonable amount of protection to park facilities and resources. This also provides for the safety and well being of the visiting public and their property.

(a)(2) BEING ON PARK GROUNDS BEFORE/AFTER DESIGNATED HOURS FOR OTHER THAN AUTHORIZED NPS APPROVED ACTIVITIES.

DISCUSSION: Prohibiting unauthorized activity on the park grounds after normal business hours is essential to the health and safety of park employees, and persons attending pre-approved functions. This public use limit will also reduce vandalism, and drug activity at the park site.

2.15 **PETS**

(a) (1) **PETS ARE PROHIBITED IN THE FOLLOWING AREAS OF THE ACADIAN CULTURAL SITES:**

1. In any structure, building, facility, or any special event or program open to the public in Lafayette;
2. In any structure, building, facility, or any special event or program open to the public in Thibodaux;
3. In any structure, building, facility, or any special event or program open to the public in Eunice;

Pets are allowed on the grounds at Lafayette and Thibodaux, providing they are kept under physical restraint at all times.

- Persons with pets must clean up after their animals at all times.

EXCEPTION: In accordance with 36 CFR 2.15 (a) (1), these closures shall not apply to assist dogs accompanying visually, hearing, or mobility impaired persons.

NOTE: It is strictly forbidden to abandon or release any pet or other animal into any of the Acadian Cultural sites without the expressed written consent of the park Superintendent.

DISCUSSION: To avoid conflict with other park visitors and wildlife, pets are prohibited from all buildings and special programs

2.35 **ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES**

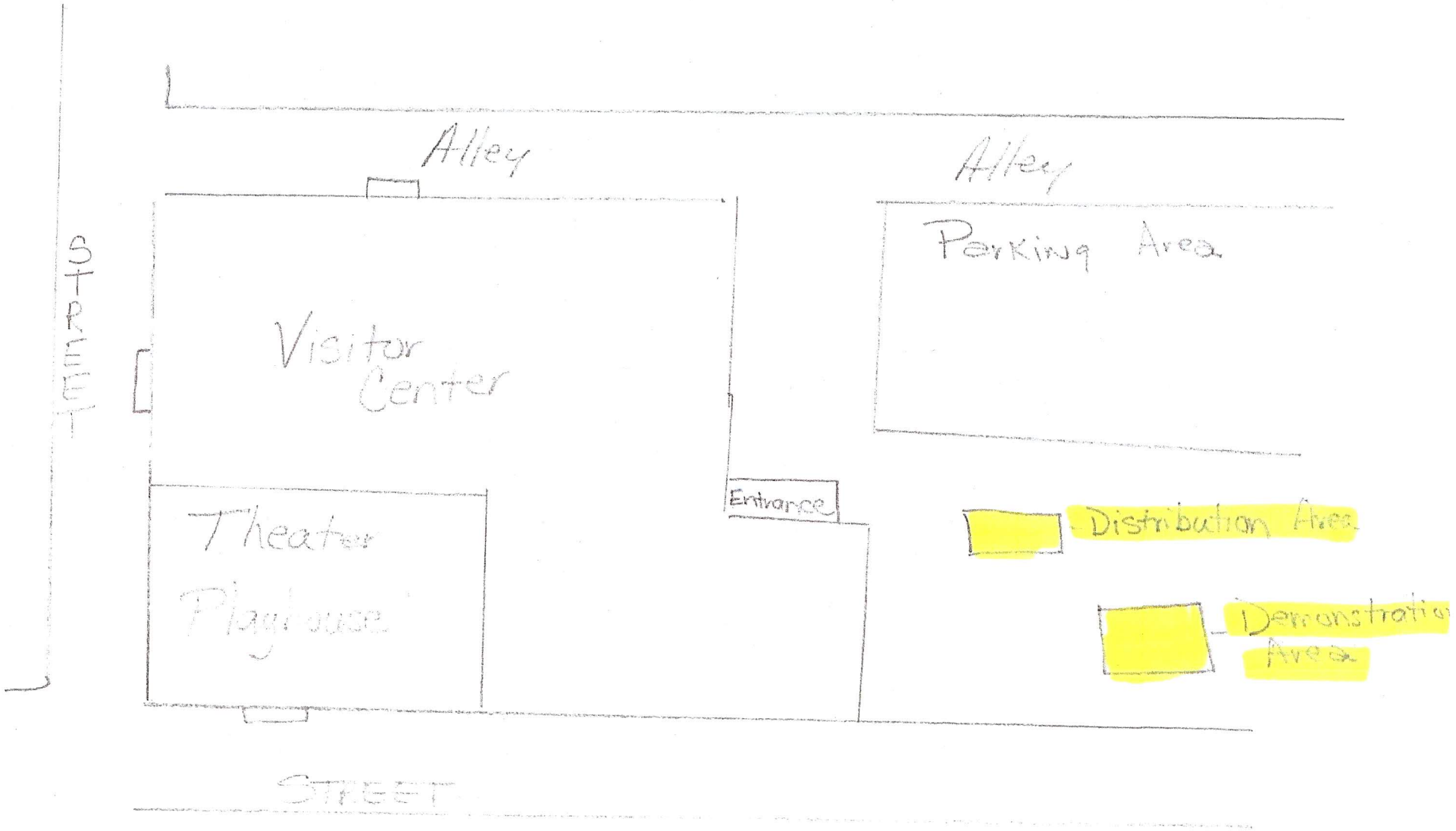
(a) (3) (i) **CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES:** The consumption of alcoholic beverages, or the possession of an open receptacle containing an alcoholic beverage, is prohibited in all public and administrative facilities, parking areas, and adjacent grounds of the Acadian Cultural Centers unless approved by Special Use Permit.

DISCUSSION: The consumption of alcoholic beverages is restricted for reasons of public safety and enjoyment of the visiting public. Use of the parking lot as a place to gather and consume alcoholic beverages also contributes to vandalism and litter.

2.51 **PUBLIC ASSEMBLIES, MEETINGS**

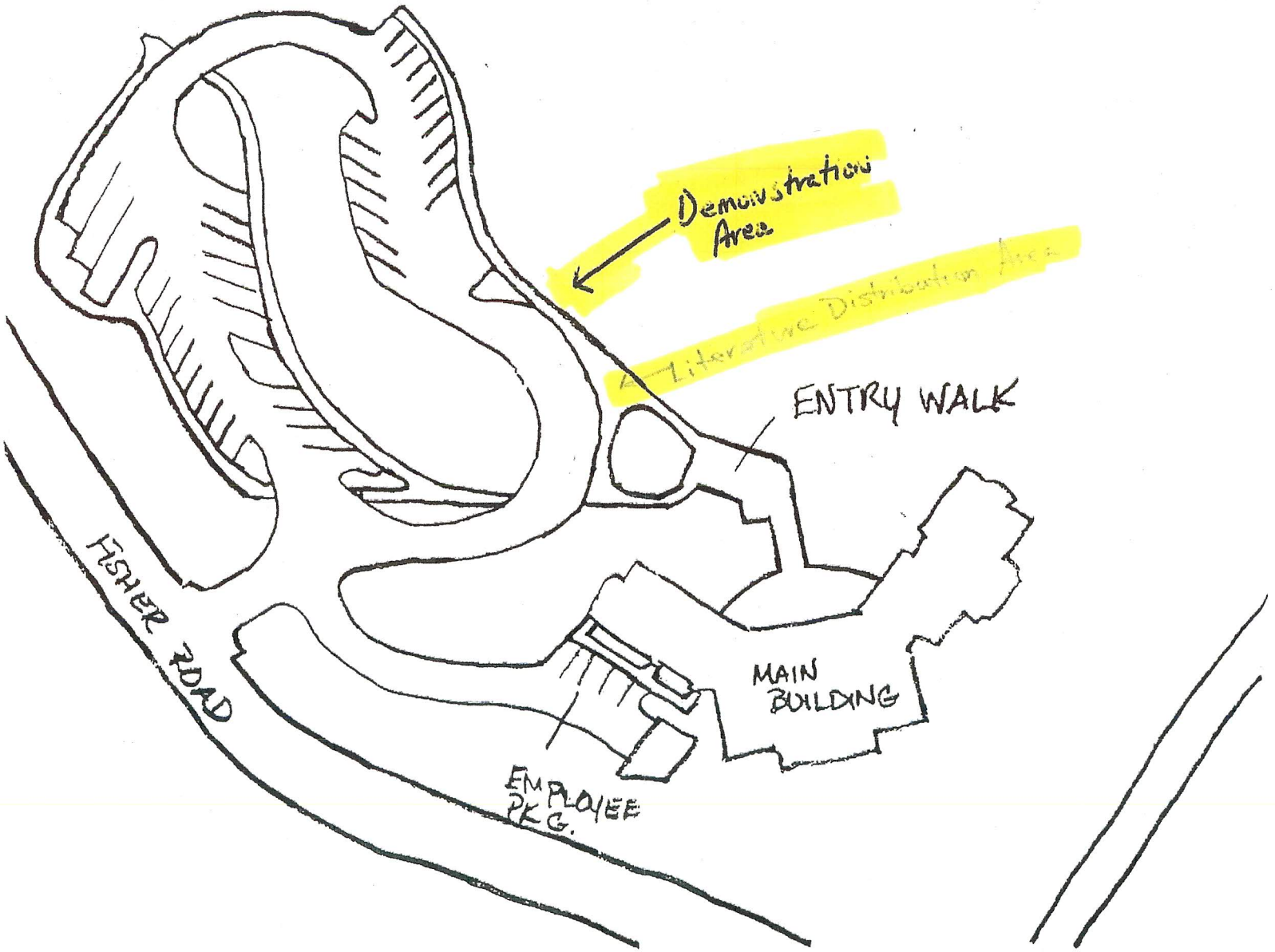
See attached map on next page:

Prarie Acadian Cultural Center
Eunice, Louisiana

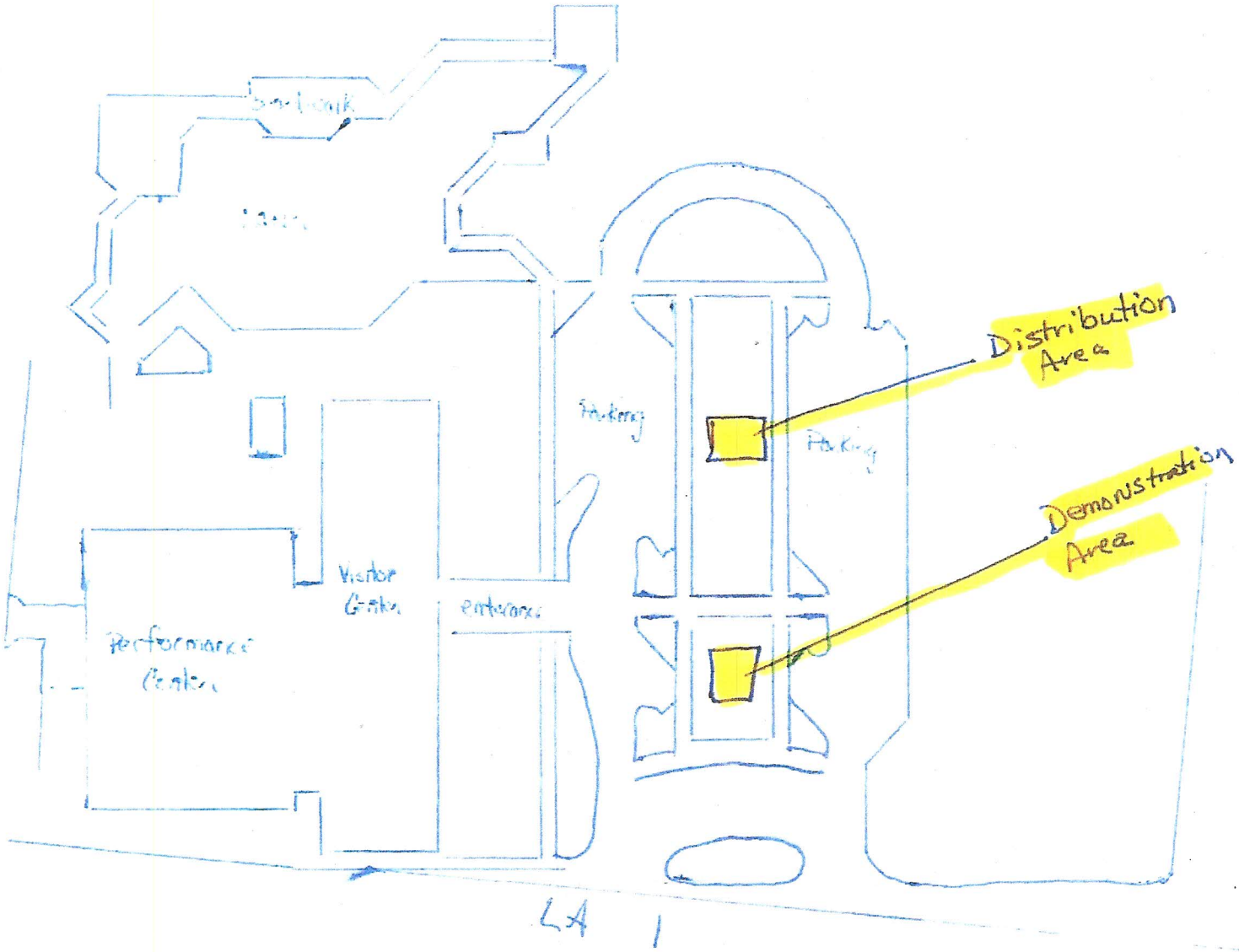


ACADIAN CULTURAL UNIT

LAFAYETTE, LOUISIANA



Wetlands Acadian Culture Center
314 St. Mary Street, Thibodaux, LA



2.52 **SALE OR DISTRIBUTION OF PRINTED MATTER**

(e) **PUBLIC ASSEMBLIES AND SALE OR DISTRIBUTION OF PRINTED MATTER MAY OCCUR IN DESIGNATED AREAS:** A permit, issued by the Superintendent, is required for public assemblies, meetings, gatherings, demonstrations, and for the sale or distribution of printed materials. The Superintendent may waive this requirement for park-sponsored activities. Designated areas for such assemblies and the dissemination of printed materials will be determined by the Superintendent. The location of each activity will be based on the nature of the proposed event, the duration, the estimated number of persons expected to attend, and any other information required to complete the permit application form.

A permit application may be denied if the activity unduly interferes with the visitor's enjoyment of the site or does not allow for multiple use of the area, or if the event presents a clear and present danger to the public health or safety, or if the printed materials are solely commercial advertising.

A map showing approved areas for these activities will be made available to permit applicants.

***DISCUSSION*:** Public assemblies, meetings, gatherings, demonstrations, and the dissemination of printed materials are provided for in the United States Constitution and are authorized at the Acadian Cultural Centers provided a permit has been issued by the Park Superintendent.

JEAN LAFITTE NATIONAL HISTORICAL PARK AND PRESERVE
NEW ORLEANS JAZZ NATIONAL HISTORICAL PARK

Revised 2012

Under the provisions of Title 36,Code of Federal Regulations, Chapter 1, Part 1, 1.7(b), the following Superintendent's Orders have been established for Jean Lafitte National Historical Park and Preserve, Barataria Preserve:

BARATARIA PRESERVE

1.5 CLOSURES AND PUBLIC USE LIMITS

(a) (1)

FOOD AND BEVERAGES ON TRAILS: Carrying food on trails is Prohibited. Beverages are permitted (with the exception of alcoholic beverages.) Containers must be disposed of in trash receptacles.

DISCUSSION: Food and alcoholic beverages are prohibited on all trails, beverages containers must be disposed of in trash receptacles to reduce the excessive amount of litter that accumulates along the trails, and reduces the temptation to feed wildlife.

LEAVING TRAIL OR WALKWAY: Leaving the hard surface of the Visitor Center, Palmetto, Bayou Coquille, Marsh Overlook, Ring Levee, or Pecan Grove Canoe Launch trails is prohibited.

DISCUSSION: Restricting visitors to boardwalks and hardened surfaces in heavy visitor use areas trailside vegetation and embankments, archeological sites, and cultural artifacts and helps to maintain the visitor experience.

CAMPING: Overnight camping in the Barataria Preserve is prohibited.

DISCUSSION: The Barataria Preserve does not have adequate facilities to support camping. Camping in the marsh imposes damage to fragile vegetation.

MOORING WATERCRAFT: Mooring or grounding any watercraft or vessel over 25 feet in length in any waterway in the Barataria Preserve is prohibited.

DISCUSSION: Large watercraft were routinely moored and run aground along navigable waterways in the past. This kind of activity led to considerable destruction of vegetation and greatly increased erosion, including the erosion of archeological sites. The restriction is necessary to protect natural and cultural resources.

ACCESS TO GOVERNMENT FACILITIES: The general public is prohibited from entering "employee only" sections of government facilities. This includes the maintenance compound and parking area,

Visitor Center and Education Center and all corresponding staff offices.

DISCUSSION: **This is to ensure the protection of park resources and facilities, to allow park employees to work without interruption and to safeguard their belongings.**

PARKING MOTOR VEHICLES IN DESIGNATED PARKING LOTS BEYOND POSTED GATE CLOSURE HOURS: Parking a motor vehicle in designated parking lots beyond the posted gate closure hours is prohibited. The following parking lots have gate closure hours posted: Bayou Coquille, Visitor Center, Pecan Grove and Education Center areas.

DISCUSSION: Prohibiting motor vehicles from being parked in areas beyond posted gate closure hours provides a reasonable amount of protection to park facilities and resources. This restriction also provides for the safety and well being of the visiting public and their property.

FISHING: Fishing along or from the Visitor Center, Palmetto, Bayou, Coquille, Marsh Overlook, Ring Levee, or Pecan Grove Canoe Launch Trails and from vehicular bridges is prohibited.

DISCUSSION: Fishing in these areas is prohibited for reasons of public safety.

OPERATING A MOTOR BOAT IN AREAS DESIGNATED "CLOSED" TO MOTOR BOATS: The following areas have been designated "closed" to the operation of motorboats (this includes the use of electric trolling motors and airboats): Bayou des Familles, Bayou Coquille, Twin Canals, Kenta Canal, Parallel Canal, or in that portion of Tarpaper Canal between its junction with Kenta Canal and a point approximately 5,500 feet northwestward from that junction, as posted. Operating any motorboat to leave a canal and enter the swamp or marsh, including any trenasse or pond, is prohibited.

DISCUSSION: Waterways designated "closed" to motorboat operation will prevent bank erosion; disturbance to anglers; provide for the safety of park visitors in canoes and pirogues, and to enhance the visitor experience by providing an area for interpretive activities free of mechanical noise. Marsh and swamp areas within Barataria are closed to the operation of motorboats to prevent damage to vegetation, wildlife habitat and archeological sites.

CRAWFISH HARVESTING: Harvesting of crawfish is permitted along roadsides and along the Wood Duck trail. Crawfish harvesting is permitted up to thirty feet beyond the outside toe of the road or trail shoulder or embankment. Crawfish harvesting season is open from March 1 to June 30. Crawfish may be harvested by the following means only: use of baited lift type mesh nets or use of baited wire traps, not to exceed ten (10) per person, with this person continually tending to the nets/traps. This activity requires a valid fishing license marked with "gear" permission to crawfish by the state of Louisiana.

DISCUSSION:
Crawfish harvesting is specifically permitted in the Barataria Preserve under 36 CFR 7.37. Restricting the area in which crawfish harvesting is

allowed is a reasonable accommodation for this traditional roadside practice in the region.

FISHING: Fishing or engaging in related activities (i.e. crabbing, frogging, crawfishing) from any trail, bridge, or canoe dock is prohibited. Accessing fishing areas by way of any trail is prohibited. **(See also fishing prohibition Bayou Coquille and Marsh Overlook trails)**

EXCEPTION: **Twin Canals Trail is maintained to allow access to fishing areas.**

DISCUSSION: Travel along park trails to access fishing areas, fishing from bridges and canoe docks presents significant safety concerns, fosters the accumulation of litter and degradation of park resources.

PICNICKING: Picnicking and open fires are allowed only in designated picnic areas.

DISCUSSION: Designated picnic areas are located at Twin Canals, Lower Kenta Canal, Visitor Center deck, and the Pecan Grove parking area.

HUNTING: Hunting is prohibited except in places and at times specifically enumerated by a hunting permit issued under the provisions of 36 CFR 2.2(b).

DISCUSSION: Provisions for public hunting the Barataria Preserve have been mandated through the park's enabling legislation. News releases concerning the hunting program are given wide distribution in the late summer and early fall prior to issuing hunting and trapping permits. Some portions of the Barataria Preserve have been designated closed to hunting and trapping for safety and/or preservation issues. Certain areas of the Preserve contain fragile vegetative and wildlife habitats. Additionally certain portions of the Preserve regularly see heavy visitor traffic near facilities, trails and parking areas. Closing certain areas to hunting and trapping allows for safe use of these areas by visitors, reduces conflicts between hunters and non-hunters, and allows for proper natural resource management.

(a) (2) **DESIGNATED HUNTING AREAS DEFINED:** Designated hunting areas will be shown on a map prior to each hunting season. The map will be attached to each hunting/trapping permit that is issued.

DISCUSSION: Hunting activities have been restricted to designated areas for reasons of public safety, to avoid disturbance to wildlife along interpretive trails and prevent conflicts with visitors and other park operations.

1.6 PERMITS

(a) **PARTICIPATING IN HUNTING OR TRAPPING ACTIVITIES :** In addition to applicable State licenses or permits, a permit from the Superintendent is required for hunting and trapping in the Barataria Preserve. Permits are made available, free of charge, at the Barataria Preserve Visitor Center during designated hours of operation.

DISCUSSION: Hunting and trapping are activities authorized in the

Barataria Preserve by Public Law 95-625, the Act establishing Jean Lafitte National Historical Park and Preserve. The Superintendent of the park, acting as the Secretary of the Interior's designated representative, is empowered under 36 CFR 1.6 (a) to regulate the permitting process.

PARTICIPATING IN COMMERCIAL FISHING ACTIVITIES WITHOUT A PERMIT OR A COMMERCIAL USE AUTHORIZATION: In addition to applicable State licenses or permits, a permit from the Superintendent is required for commercial fishing activities in the waterways of the Barataria Preserve. Permits may be applied for through the Superintendent's office, during normal hours of operation. A minimal charge applies to recover the cost of processing the permit.

DISCUSSION: Commercial fishing activities are authorized in the Barataria Preserve by Public Law 95-625. The Superintendent of the park, acting as the Secretary of the Interior's designated representative, is empowered under 36 CFR 1.6 (a) to regulate the permitting process. Areas designated for commercial fishing activities, type of gear used to take species, and species taken from waterways is determined by the Superintendent.

2.1 PRESERVATION OF NATURAL, CULTURAL AND ARCHEOLOGICAL RESOURCES

(b) (1) Leaving Trail or Walkway: Leaving a designated trail or walkway is prohibited to reduce damage of the natural and cultural resources. Park visitors are permitted to walk off trail only in the designated hunt zones, with a park issued hunting permit. Visitors will be issued a park permit with a map of each area defining the designated hunt zones. Other off-trail activity must be pre-approved through the Superintendent or his designee by way of a permit.

(c) (1) **GATHERING NATURAL PRODUCTS FOR PERSONAL USE AND CONSUMPTION:** Reasonable quantities of the following natural products may be gathered for personal use or consumption. Only those plant products specifically mentioned are allowed to be gathered.

Dewberries and blackberries (Rubus spp.), muscadine and other wild grapes (Vitaceae), persimmons (Diospyros virginiana), elderberries (Sambucus canadensis), mulberries (Morus spp.), pecans (Carya illinoiensis), maypops (Passiflora incarnata), thistle (Cirsium horridulum), edible mushrooms, and edible wild herbs.

DISCUSSION: In keeping with traditional uses of the Barataria Preserve, the Superintendent has determined that gathering reasonable quantities of natural products will not adversely affect park wildlife, the reproductive potential of plant species, or otherwise adversely affect park resources.

2.2 WILDLIFE PROTECTION

(b) (1) **WILDLIFE THAT MAY BE LEGALLY HUNTED:** The following species may be legally hunted in designated hunting areas with a valid park hunting permit and State license:

White-tailed Deer (Odocoileus virginianus), Gray Squirrel (Sciurus carolinensis), Swamp Rabbit (Sylvilagus aquaticus), and Wild Boar (Sus scrofa), Nutria (Myocastor coypus) waterfowl (per

established federal waterfowl game species; 50 CFR, Part 20).

DISCUSSION: The above listed species have traditionally been hunted by means that do not cause unacceptable damage to park resources. The permit system is necessary for public safety data.

(b) (3) **WILDLIFE THAT MAY BE LEGALLY TRAPPED:** The following species may be legally trapped in designated trapping areas with a valid park trapping permit and State trapping permit.

Nutria (Myocastor coypus), Common Muskrat (Ondatra zibethica), Northern Raccoon (Procyon lotor), North American Mink (Mustela vison), Nearctic River Otter (Lutra canadnesis), Swamp Rabbit (Sylvilagus aquaticus), Virginia Opossum (Didelphis virginiana)

DISCUSSION: The above listed species have traditionally been trapped in the Delta Region and have populations that can sustain a regulated harvest. The permit system is necessary to regulate the harvest and assist in gathering scientific data.

(e) **VIEWING WILDLIFE WITH ARTIFICIAL LIGHT:** Viewing wildlife with artificial light is prohibited in all areas of the Barataria Preserve.

EXCEPTION: When engaged in official park sanctioned activities.

DISCUSSION: Park sanctioned activities would be Resource Education led events such as Moonlight Canoe trips or guided hikes, or permitted scientific studies.

2.3 FISHING

(a) **PROTECTED SPECIES:** All reptile and amphibian species are protected (turtles/frogs/snakes) with the park. However, Louisiana law does allow for the taking for Bullfrogs (Rana Catesbeiana) and Pig Frogs (Rana Grylio) for recreational use.

Frogs may be taken year round except during the months of April and May which are closed to "frogging".

No person shall take or possess Bullfrogs that are less than five inches in length, nor take or possess Pig Frogs that are less than three inches in length. Length is measured from the tip of the muzzle to the posterior end of the body between the hind legs.

Individuals with valid State of Louisiana fresh water fishing license may only take shell fish (crabs, shrimp, crawfish) and fish games species as identified by State of Louisiana recreational fishing regulations.

***DISCUSSION: Though taking of frogs is allowed by the State of Louisiana with a valid state fishing license, taking of* turtles and snakes is inconsistent with the mission of the National Park Service and the protection of the natural resources found within Barataria Preserve.**

(d) (1) **JUG LINE FISHING**: Refers to fishing with an unattended, baited line attached to a float and is permitted in the Barataria Preserve, providing the angler clearly marks the float with their name, phone number, and date last set. Jug lines are the responsibility of the angler, must be checked at least once in a 24 hour period and removed when no longer tended., Attaching lines to anything except a float is prohibited.

DISCUSSION: This is a traditional fishing method in the area and is permitted for that reason. Jug lines are often abandoned and create litter, foul motorboat propellers, and negatively impact non-targeted species. Unmarked and old dated jug lines are prohibited and will be collected and disposed of by authorized park personnel.

(d) (2) CRABBING *Refers to the taking of crabs by means of trap or net.* Crabbing is permitted in the Barataria Preserve, providing the trapper clearly marks the float with their name, phone number, and date last set. Traps are the responsibility of the trapper, are limited to ten (10) traps per person, and must be checked at least twice a week, and removed when no longer tended. This activity requires a valid fishing license marked with "gear" permission to crab in the state of Louisiana. *Commercial* crabbing requires a permit or commercial use authorization (refer to section 1.6 (a).

2.13 FIRES

(a) (1) **LIGHTING FIRES:** Lighting or maintaining a fire is prohibited in all areas of the Barataria Preserve.

EXCEPTION: Fires may be lit in cooking grills in designated picnic areas.

DISCUSSION: Fires are restricted to cooking grills in designated picnic areas to prevent damage to park resources and facilities.

2.15 PETS

(a) (1) **PETS ARE PROHIBITED IN THE FOLLOWING AREAS OF THE BARATARIA PRESERVE:**

1. On any designated trail established and maintained by the National Park Service;

2. In any structure, building, facility, or any special event or program open to the public;

3. In all areas designated for hunting and trapping during times established for these activities.

4. Unattended in a parked vehicle.

Unleashed pets are not allowed anywhere within the Barataria Preserve of Jean Lafitte National Historical Park and Preserve.

EXCEPTION: In accordance with 36 CFR 2.15 (a) (1), these closures shall not apply to assist dogs accompanying visually, hearing, or mobility impaired persons.

NOTE: It is strictly forbidden to abandon or release any pet or other animal into the Barataria Preserve without expressed written consent of the park Superintendent.

DISCUSSION: To avoid conflict with other park visitors and wildlife, pets are prohibited on developed trails, in buildings, and special programs.

2.35 **ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES**

(a) (3) (i) CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES: The consumption of alcoholic beverages or the possession of an open receptacle containing alcoholic beverages, on all land areas within Barataria Preserve is prohibited. Alcohol consumption inside of a vessel is permitted to the extent that the operator is not legally impaired.

DISCUSSION: Past criminal incidents has found less restrictive measures will not suffice because of the potential threat to natural resources, public safety and damage to Park facilities.
Signs prohibiting alcoholic beverages must be posted in areas normally frequented by persons consuming alcohol, on the park intranet website and on park bulletin boards.

2.51 **PUBLIC ASSEMBLIES, MEETINGS**

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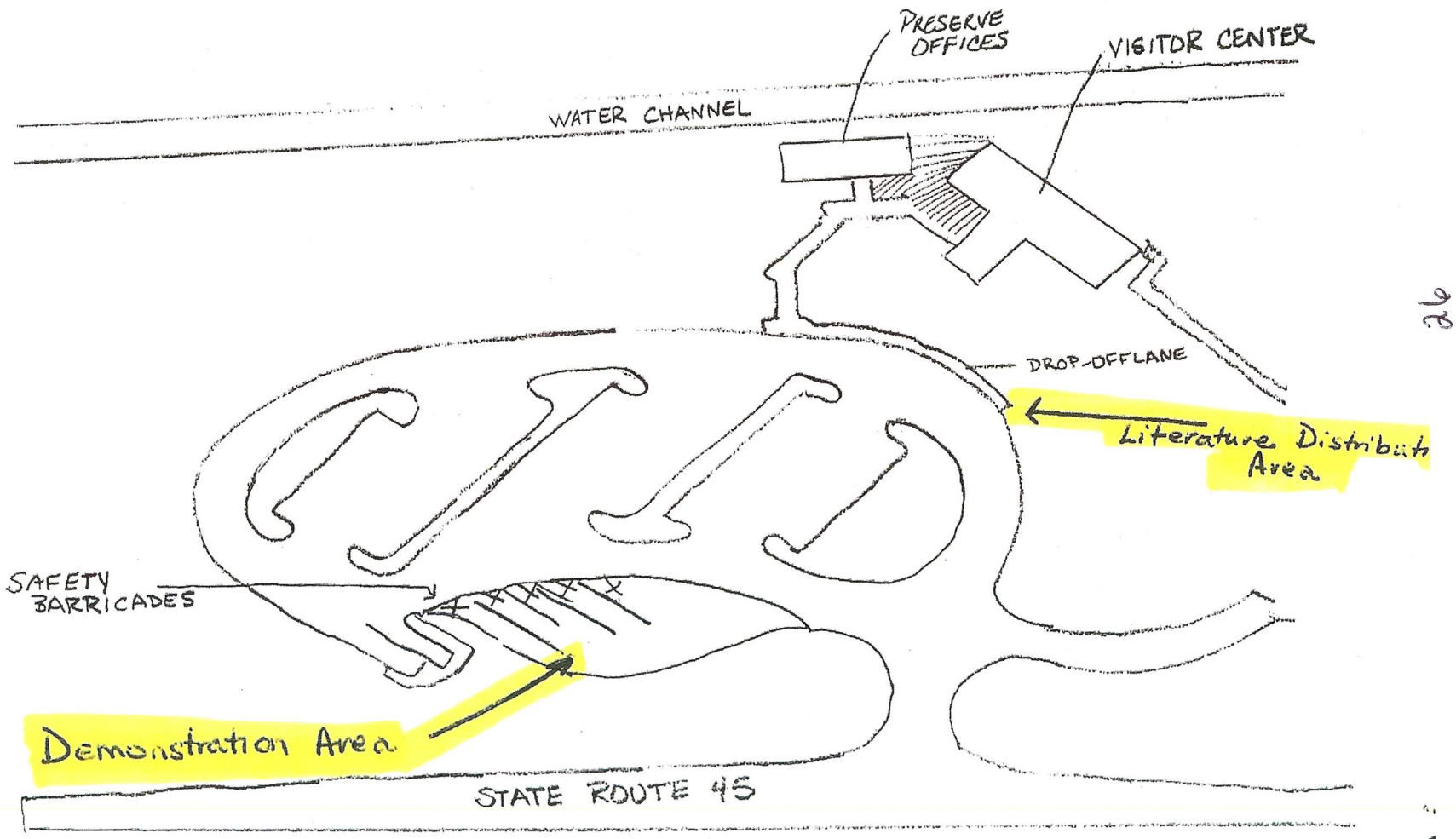
BARATARIA PRESERVE UNIT



2.52 **SALE OR DISTRIBUTION OF PRINTED MATTER**

(e) **PUBLIC ASSEMBLIES AND SALE OR DISTRIBUTION OF PRINTED MATTER MAY OCCUR IN DESIGNATED AREAS:** A permit, issued by the Superintendent, is required for public assemblies, meetings, gatherings, demonstrations, and for the sale or distribution of printed materials. The Superintendent may waive this requirement for Preserve-sponsored activities. Designated areas for such assemblies and the dissemination of printed materials will be determined by the Superintendent. The location of each activity will be based on the nature of the proposed event, the duration, the estimated number of persons expected to attend, and any other information required to complete the permit application form.

A permit application may be denied if the activity does not allow for multiple use of the area, unduly interfere with the visitor's enjoyment of the site or if the event presents a clear and present danger to the public health or safety, or if the printed materials are solely commercial advertising.

A map showing approved areas for these activities will be made available to permit applicants.

DISCUSSION: Public assemblies, meetings, gatherings, demonstrations and the dissemination of printed materials are provided for in the United States Constitution and are authorized in the Barataria Preserve provided a permit has been issued by the Park Superintendent.

2.62 **MEMORIALIZATION**

(b) **MEMORIALIZATION OF HUMAN REMAINS**: A permit is required for the scattering of ashes from cremated human remains according to the following terms and conditions:

Requests for scattering of Cremated Remains (See RM-61, National Cemetery Operations Reference Manual) will be handled on an individual/case-by-case basis. Arrangements are requested with the park through the Special Use Permit (SUP) process. In consideration of each request, time is taken to conduct consultations with American Indian tribes and other parties that advise the park with regard to requested activities in potentially sacred places or in areas with sensitive resources.

DISCUSSION: Memorialization under the specified conditions is necessary for the protection of natural resources, the implementation of management responsibilities and to avoid a conflict among visitor use activities.

4.10 **Off ROAD VEHICLE USAGE**

(a) Operating a motor vehicle off road is prohibited at all park sites. Discussion: The use of ATV type recreational vehicles with the boundaries of the Barataria Preserve is prohibited both off road and on road. ATV's cause significant damage to the resource, and there are currently no authorized trails or areas where ATV usage is permitted. ATV's do not meet the legal requirements to operate on the roadway and as such are not permitted to be operated on roadways in the park.

4.30 **BICYCLES**

(a) The use of bicycles are prohibited except on park roads and parking areas. Exception: Law Enforcement Park Rangers are authorized to patrol trails and other areas of the park including levees and backcountry areas on NPS issued patrol bicycles.

DISCUSSION: The use of bicycles on park trails and boardwalks interferes with pedestrian traffic. The trails are too narrow to allow safe passage of both, and trails were not designated for both pedestrian and bicycle traffic.

CHALMETTE BATTLEFIELD AND NATIONAL CEMETERY

1.5 **CLOSURES AND PUBLIC USE LIMITS**

(a) (1) **PROHIBITED ACTIVITIES:** It is prohibited to engage in the following activities within the boundaries of the Chalmette Battlefield and National Cemetery:

Ball playing, kite flying, skateboarding, roller-skating or rollerblading, throwing objects through the air, golfing, model airplane flying, model car racing, washing, crafts fairs, vehicle waxing, repairing vehicles, or teaching others to drive.*
Use of the Chalmette visitor center multi-purpose room for private (Non-NPS sponsored) gatherings is prohibited.
Organized athletic "runs" such as fun runs or foot races are prohibited.
** Unless prior approval by the park Superintendent under Management Policy 7.5.7 which have provisions for Cultural Demonstrations.*

Malus-Beauregard House

The Superintendent will consider by a case by case basis special requests or special use permits for the use of the Malus-Beauregard House.

DISCUSSION: To protect the historic integrity of the battlefield and cemetery, and provide for an accurate, historical experience for park visitors, the Superintendent has deemed the above recreational activities inappropriate.

PARKING MOTOR VEHICLES IN NON-DESIGNATED PARKING SPACES: Parking any motor vehicle in an area not designated for parking is prohibited. This includes parking on grassy areas along the Chalmette Entrance Road, Historic Tour Road and Cemetery unless permitted by the superintendent during a special event.

DISCUSSION: Prohibiting vehicles from being parked in areas other than designated parking spaces provides protection for park visitors and their vehicles. Prohibiting parking on grassy areas protects the historic integrity of the area, and allows National Park Service personnel to safely maintain the historic grounds and facilities.

PARKING MOTOR VEHICLES IN DESIGNATED PARKING LOTS OUTSIDE OF POSTED OPERATING HOURS: Parking a motor vehicle in designated parking lot outside of posted operating hours is prohibited.

DISCUSSION: Prohibiting motor vehicles from being parked beyond posted gate closure hours provides a reasonable amount of protection to park facilities and resources. This also provides for the safety and well being of the visiting public and their property.

CAMPING: Overnight camping in Chalmette Battlefield and National Cemetery is prohibited other than authorized re-enactment events

authorized by the park superintendent. This includes parking lots, recreational-use areas, and all woods and open ground.

DISCUSSION: The Chalmette Battlefield does not have adequate facilities to support camping. This prohibition does not apply to Park sponsored living history events associated with living history re-enactment and demonstrations.

OPERATING A MOTOR VEHICLE ON RIVER ROAD: Operating a motor vehicle on the river road (also referred to as "Shell Road") is prohibited. This area includes the service road between the cemetery and the tour road, and the road leading to the wooded swamp.

DISCUSSION: Prohibiting park visitors from operating a motor vehicle on these roads allows for safe travel of employees from the following agencies: National Park Service, Mississippi River Levee Board, St. Bernard Sewage Plant, and St. Bernard Port Authority.

PUBLIC USE OF THE BATTURE: Public use of any kind on the batture is prohibited. The batture is defined as the alluvial land between the river at low water stage and the levee.

DISCUSSION: The area referred to as the batture is closed to all public activity to ensure the safety and protection of park visitors.

PICNICKING: Picnicking in a non-designated picnic area is prohibited.

DISCUSSION: Picnicking is restricted to a designated area to maintain the historic integrity of the battlefield and cemetery.

MALUS BEAUREGARD HOUSE BALCONIES: Public use or physical presence on the second -story balconies of the Malus Beauregard House is prohibited. Both balconies are closed to the public.

DISCUSSION: The balconies are closed to all public activity to ensure the safety and protection of park visitors.

1.6 PERMITS

(a) **HISTORIC ACTIVITIES AND LIVING HISTORY DEMONSTRATIONS REQUIRING A PERMIT:** Engaging in the following activities is allowed in designated areas, pursuant to obtaining a valid permit issued by the Park Superintendent:

Possessing, carrying or using a black powder historic weapon.

Possessing, using, storing, or transporting black powder for the purpose of living history demonstrations.

Camping as part of a living history demonstration.

Lighting or maintaining a campfire as part of a living history demonstration.

Utilizing horses or pack animals as part of a living history demonstration.

2.1 **PRESERVATION OF NATURAL, CULTURAL, AND ARCHEOLOGICAL RESOURCES**

(c) (1) **GATHERING NATURAL PRODUCTS FOR PERSONAL USE AND CONSUMPTION:** Reasonable quantities of the following natural products may be gathered for personal use or consumption.

Pecans (Carya illinoiensis) and Pomegranate (Punica granatum)

DISCUSSION: The Superintendent has determined that gathering reasonable quantities of pecans and pomegranates will not adversely affect park resources.

2.15 **PETS**

(a) (1) **PETS ARE PROHIBITED WITHIN THE CHALMETTE NATIONAL CEMETERY AND MONUMENT GROUNDS.:**

EXCEPTION: In accordance with 36 CFR 2.15 (a) (1), these closures shall not apply to assist dogs accompanying visually, hearing, or mobility impaired persons.

NOTE: **It is strictly forbidden to abandon or release any pet or other animal in the Chalmette Battlefield and National Cemetery.**

DISCUSSION: To provide a safe and healthy site, to protect the cemetery headstones and monuments, and to avoid conflict with other park visitors, pets are prohibited within the Chalmette National Cemetery and the grounds immediately surrounding the monument.

2.35 **ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES**

(a) (3) (i) **CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES:** The consumption of alcoholic beverages, or the possession of an open receptacle containing an alcoholic beverage, is prohibited in all areas of the Chalmette Battlefield and National Cemetery unless authorized by the park superintendent.

DISCUSSION: The consumption or possession of an alcoholic beverage is prohibited for reasons of public safety, and is inappropriate in a historical area.

2.51 **PUBLIC ASSEMBLIES, MEETINGS**

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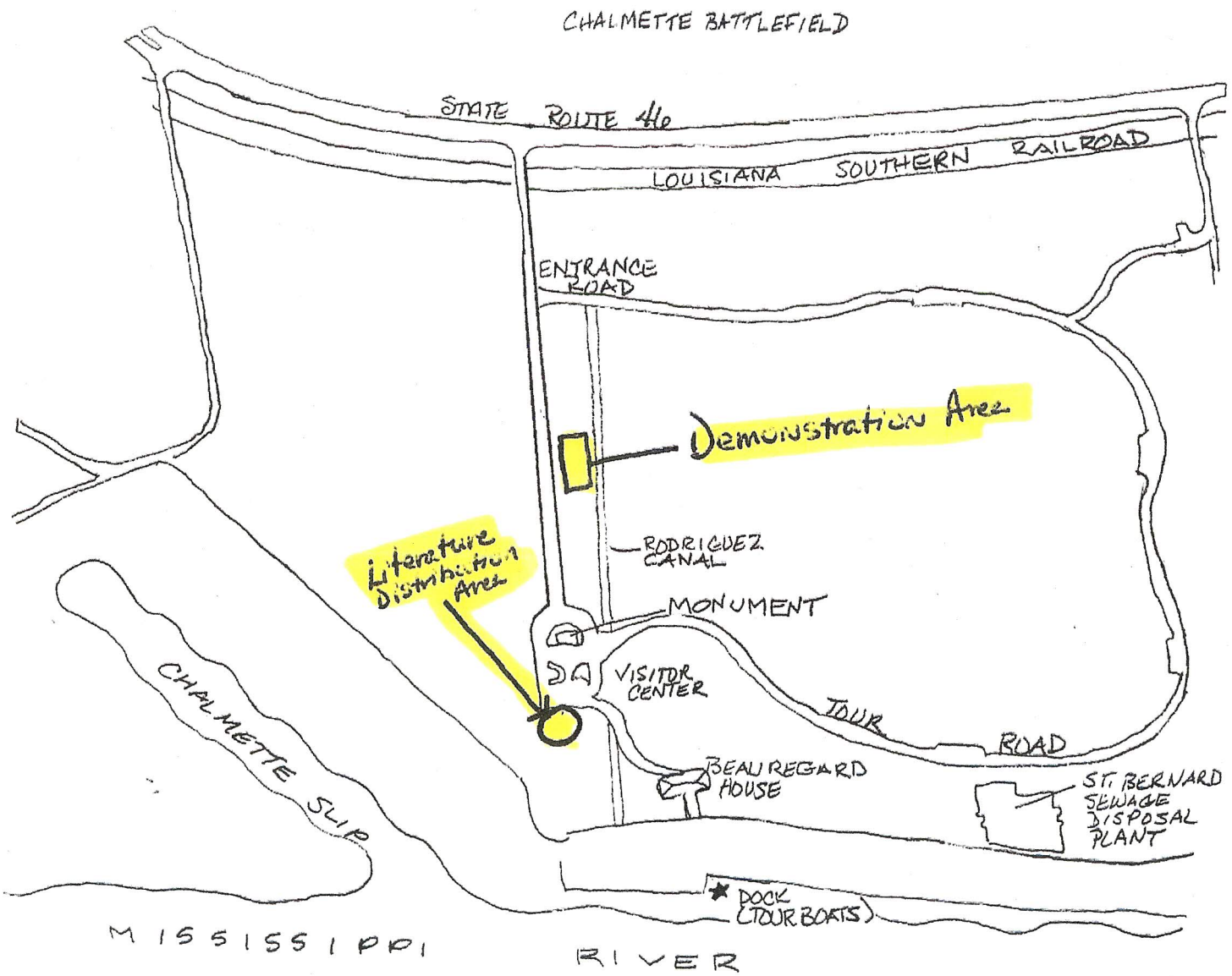
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VISITOR CENTER
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DOCK (TOUR BOATS)
MISSISSIPPI RIVER

2.52 **SALE OR DISTRIBUTION OF PRINTED MATTER**

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A map showing approved areas for these activities will be made available to permit applicants.

DISCUSSION: Public assemblies, meetings, gatherings, demonstrations, and the dissemination of printed materials are provided for in the United States Constitution and are authorized in the Chalmette Battlefield and National Cemetery provided a permit has been issued by the Park Superintendent.

LAURA C. HUDSON VISITOR CENTER/ JELA HEADQUARTERS/JAZZ VISITOR CENTER/ARMSTRONG PARK/OLD US MINT

1.5 **CLOSURES AND PUBLIC USE LIMITS**

(a) (1) **PERSON(S) AND PERSONAL PROPERTY IN THE CARRIAGEWAY, COURTYARD, OR FACILITIES OUTSIDE OF POSTED OPERATING HOURS:** Person(s) or personal property in the carriageway, courtyard, or facilities outside of posted operating hours is prohibited.

DISCUSSION: Prohibiting persons or personal property in the above listed areas outside of posted operating hours provides a reasonable amount of protection to park facilities and resources.

DRIVING, STOPPING, OR PARKING MOTOR VEHICLES ON THE SIDEWALK/CARRIAGEWAY: Driving, stopping, or parking motor vehicles on the sidewalk/carriageway is prohibited.

DISCUSSION: Prohibiting the driving, stopping, or parking of motor vehicles on the sidewalk/carriageway provides increased safety for both park visitors and park resources/facilities.

SECURING PERSONAL PROPERTY TO PARK FACILITIES: The securing of personal property to park facilities (other than facilities designed for that purpose, i.e. bicycle racks) is prohibited.

DISCUSSION: The securing of personal property to park facilities not designed for this purpose causes damage to park facilities/resources and can pose a safety hazard to park visitors.

WASHING PERSONAL ITEMS IN SINKS, COMMODES, FOUNTAINS: The washing of personal items in sinks, commodes, or water fountains creates a heath and safety risk for the public and park employees and is therefore prohibited.

DRYING CLOTHES OR OTHER PERSONAL ARTICLES WITH THE SUN OR HAND DRYER IS PROHIBITED:
The drying of personal items in the sun, or hanging of articles from trees, shrubbery, fixtures, or placing them under the hand dryers is prohibited.

DISCUSSION: Area Laundromats are available for the cleaning and drying of personal items including clothing and bedding material. This creates a safety hazard and blocks others from having access to the sinks, dryers and water fountains.

2.15 **PETS**

(a) (1) **PETS ARE PROHIBITED IN ALL AREAS OF THE LAURA C. HUDSON VISITOR CENTER/JELA HEADQUARTERS/JAZZ VISITOR CENTER/PERSEVERANCE HALL/OLD US MINT:**

EXCEPTION: In accordance with 36 CFR 2.15 (a) (1), these closures shall not apply to guide dogs accompanying visually-impaired persons or hearing dogs accompanying hearing-impaired persons.

DISCUSSION: To provide a safe and healthy site, and avoid conflict with other park visitors, pets are prohibited in the buildings and from the grounds of the Laura C. Hudson Visitor Center/JELA Headquarters/Jazz Visitor Center/Perseverance Hall/Old US Mint.

2.35 **ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES**

(a) (3) (i) **CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES:** The consumption of alcoholic beverages, or the possession of an open receptacle containing an alcoholic beverage, is prohibited in all public and administrative areas of the Laura C. Hudson Visitor Center/JELA Headquarters/Jazz Visitor Center/ and all areas of Armstrong Park and the Old US Mint that are administered by the National Park Service unless authorized through a special use permit by the park superintendent.

DISCUSSION: The consumption of alcoholic beverages is restricted for reasons of public safety and enjoyment of the visiting public. Use of the patio as a place to gather and consume alcoholic beverages also contributes to disorderly conduct and litter.

2.51 **PUBLIC ASSEMBLIES, MEETINGS**

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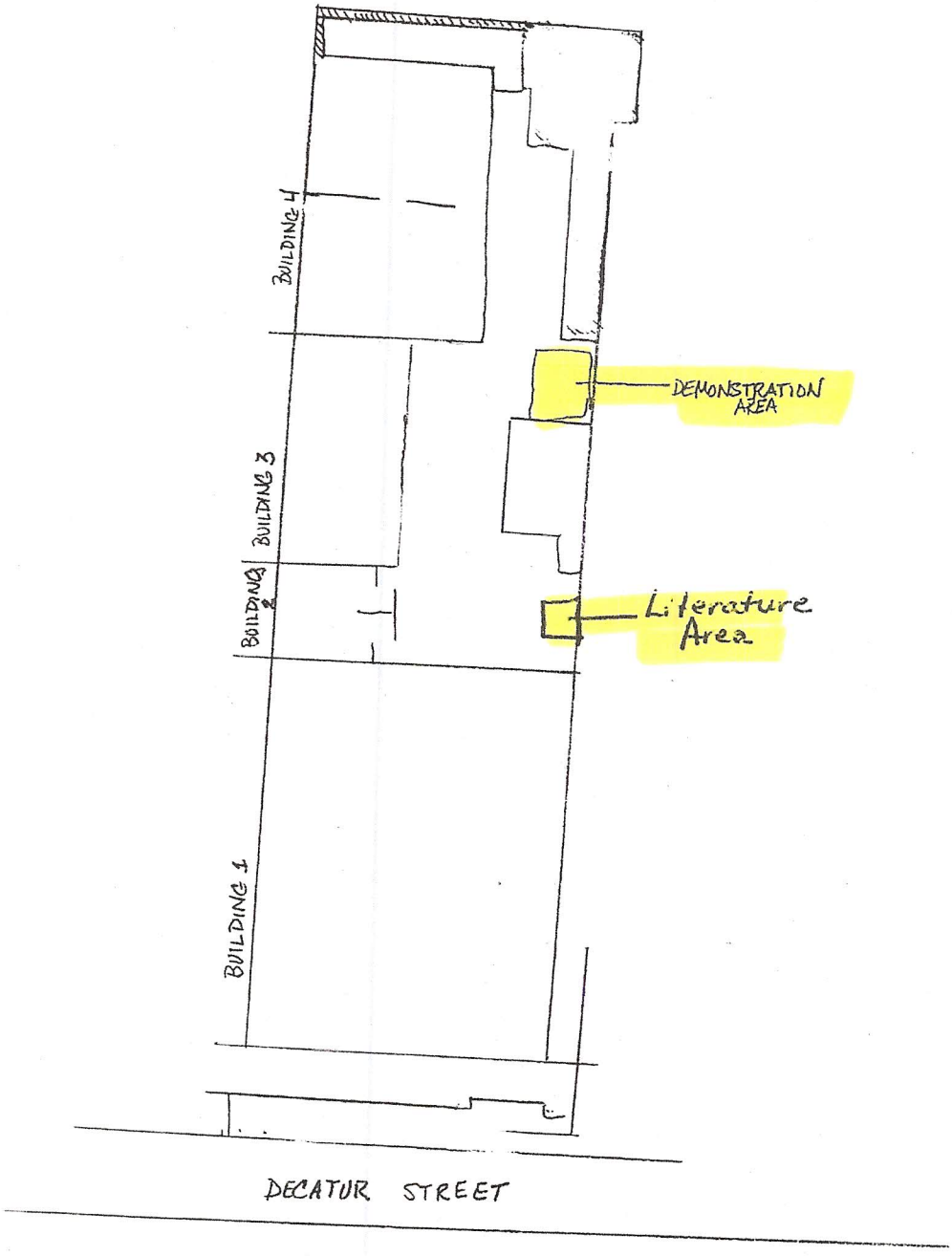

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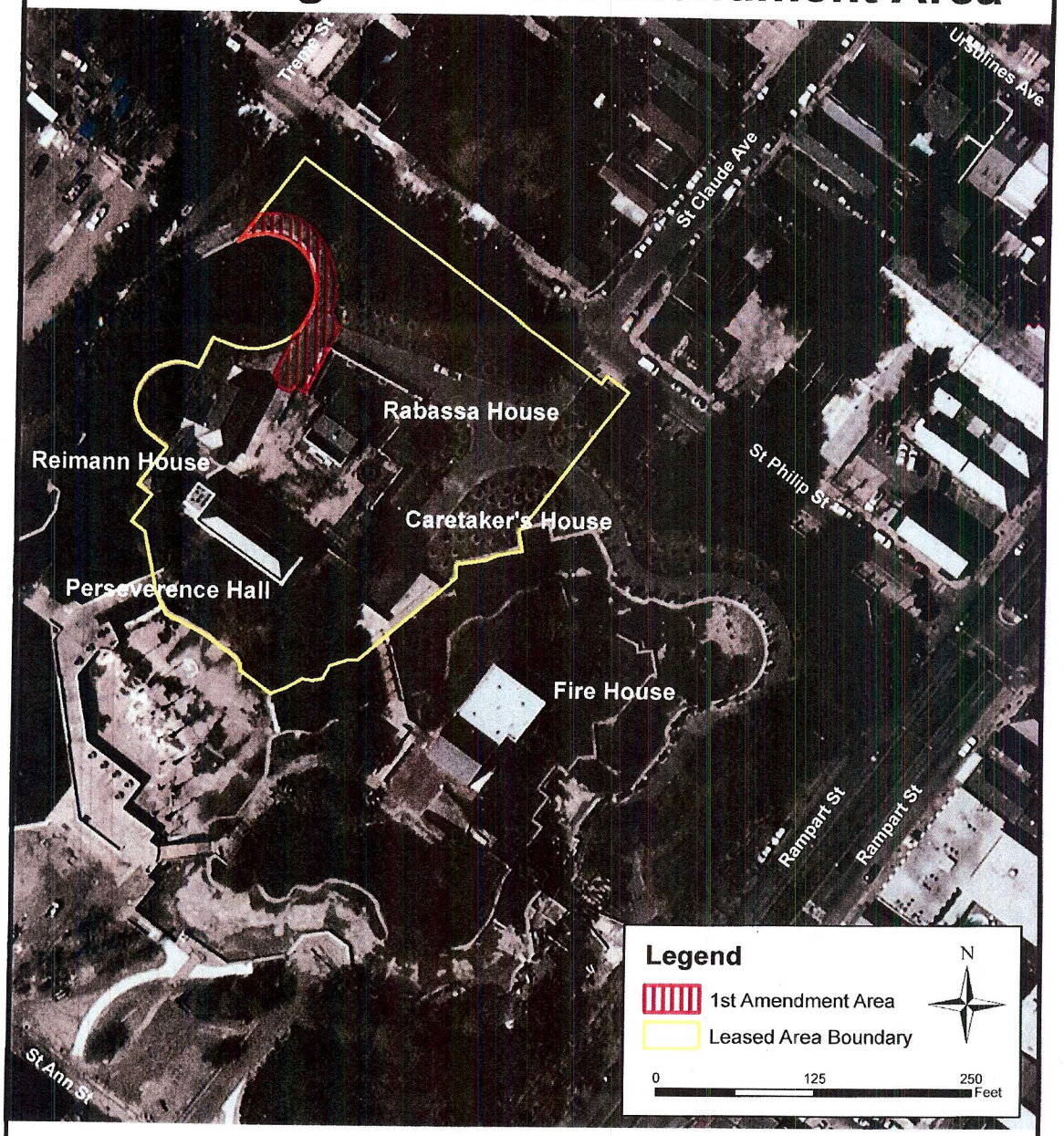

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A permit application may be denied if the activity does not allow for multiple use of the area, unduly interferes with the visitor's enjoyment of the site or if the event presents a clear and present danger to the public health or safety, or if the printed materials are solely commercial advertising.

A map showing approved areas for these activities will be made available to permit applicants.

DISCUSSION: Public assemblies, meetings, gatherings, demonstrations, and the dissemination of printed materials are provided for in the United States Constitution and are authorized in the French Quarter Visitor Center/Park Headquarters area and Armstrong Park designated area provided a permit has been issued by the Park Superintendent.