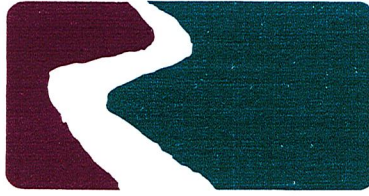




STATE OF LOUISIANA
RED RIVER



WATERWAY COMMISSION

Developing the Gift of River Living

JOHN BEL EDWARDS
GOVERNOR

CHAIR
Shawn D. Wilson, Ph.D.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
Colin S. Brown, P.E.

COMMISSIONERS

Jacques M. Goudeau
Avoyelles Parish

William David Jones
Bossier Parish

Ronald F. Lattier
Caddo Parish

Randell A. Fletcher
Grant Parish

A. Paul Fleming
Natchitoches Parish

David L. Crutchfield, II
Rapides Parish

Michael Simpson
Red River Parish

Charles R. Greer
At Large

Versa O. Clark
At Large

James F. Maxey
At Large

Michael P. Deville
At Large

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

The proposed 2021 budget for the Red River Waterway Commission is available for public inspection. The Red River Waterway Commission will hold a public hearing on the proposed budget to be held on December 16, 2020, 8:30 a.m., at the *Red River Waterway Commission's Grand Ecore RV Park Activity Center* located at 1071 Tazuin Island Road in Natchitoches, Louisiana. This meeting will be held in accordance with Louisiana R.S. 42:17.1 as a result of the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency, which provides for a public body to conduct, and its members to attend and participate, in a meeting via electronic means, when the Governor has declared a state of disaster or emergency in which a public meeting could be detrimental to the health, safety, or welfare of the public. Considering an unknown and indefinite period in which the state of emergency may be in effect, and in accordance with Louisiana R.S. 34:2308, which states that the Commission shall constitute an instrumentality of the State of Louisiana exercising public and essential government functions, this notice shall certify that the items on the agenda are deemed to be matters that, if delayed, will cause curtailment of vital public services and/or matters that are critical to the continuation of the business of the Commission and that are not able to be postponed.

The public hearing shall be held, and Commissioners and the public may participate, in either of the following methods:

1. In a physical setting at the ***Grand Ecore RV Park Activity Center located at 1071 Tazuin Island Road*** in Natchitoches, Louisiana. Occupancy for the Activity Center is limited to 40 people. Temperature checks will be administered and proper face coverings will be required before entrance into the Activity Center. Social distancing will be employed in the seating arrangement and all attendees will be asked to observe social distancing requirements at all times and to wear proper face coverings.

2. In a virtual setting via Zoom as follows:

Topic: Red River Waterway Commission
Public Hearing
Proposed 2021 Budget
December 16, 2020

Time: December 16, 2020 08:30 AM Central Time (US and Canada)

Meetings shall be held, and Commissioners and the public may participate, in either of the following methods:

1. Temperature checks will be administered and proper face coverings will be required before entrance into the Activity Center. Social distancing will be employed in the seating arrangement and all attendees will be asked to observe social distancing requirements at all times and to wear proper face coverings.
2. In a virtual setting via Zoom as follows:

Topic: Red River Waterway Commission
Proposed 2021 Budget
Wednesday, December 16, 2020 at 8:30 AM
Central Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6153392235>

Meeting ID: 615 339 2235

Join by Phone:

(346) 248-7799

Meeting ID: 615 339 2235

Find your local number: <https://us02web.zoom.us/u/kblzplrdc>

Public comments regarding matters on the agenda, either physically or via Zoom, will be accepted during the public comment periods of the Commission Meeting. Those wishing to make a public comment, but without audio capabilities on their computer, must join the meeting by phone at the number listed previously.

Public comments will also be accepted prior to the meeting and may be submitted by email at ericgilmore@redriverwaterway.com. In the event technical difficulties are experienced by someone wishing to make a public comment, comments may be submitted by text to 318-471-0534 or email to ericgilmore@redriverwaterway.com.

In order to properly identify and acknowledge all public comments, those wishing to comment, either by Zoom, phone, text, or email, should provide their name and parish of residence.

Please check the audio and video capabilities of your computer prior to the meeting to ensure capability of joining the virtual meeting.

For questions regarding the virtual meeting, please email Eric Gilmore at ericgilmore@redriverwaterway.com.