per annual monitoring period. EPA approved the redesignation to attainment for ozone on December 26, 2001. (66 FR 66317)

1.1.2 8-hour Ozone in Lafourche Parish

On April 15, 2004, the EPA designated and classified areas for the 8-hour ozone NAAQS (69 FR 23858, April 30, 2004). Lafourche Parish was designated attainment with an effective date of June 15, 2004.

1.2 Geographic Location/Parish Description

Lafourche Parish is located in south east Louisiana and has a total area of 1084.8 square miles. The parish seat is the city of Thibodaux, which is also home to Nicholls State University. Agriculture is predominant in the area with hundreds of acres planted in sugarcane, corn, potatoes, rice, cotton and fruit crops. The area also supports oil and related industries, sugar refining and related industries, timber, seafood, canning and boat building. Lafourche Parish has a population of approximately 89,947 as of the 2000 Census.[1]

Figure 1: State Map Illustrating Lafourche Parish

[1] Louisiana Almanac, 2006-2007 Edition; Milburn Calhoun, Editor, Pelican Publishing Co., Gretna, La. 2006