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Emergency Debris Management hotline now available

BATON ROUGE – The Waste Permits Division of the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality has announced the creation of an Emergency Debris Management hotline at (225) 364-7901.

DEQ's Waste Permits Division has activated the hotline during the tropical storm and hurricane season as a convenient way for citizens to receive information regarding emergency debris management. The hotline is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week during and after emergencies declared by the DEQ Secretary.

“The hotline has been established in order to assist callers with information regarding debris that has accumulated as a result of emergency conditions in the aftermath of a tropical storm or hurricane affecting the state,” said Dutch Donlon, DEQ Waste Permits Division Administrator. “The hotline will facilitate Waste Permits Division staff to quickly respond to questions regarding the regulatory guidelines for the transportation and disposal of emergency debris, approved emergency debris drop off locations, safety issues and general management.”

The hotline will be manned 24 hours a day, seven days a week for any declared emergencies until the end of hurricane season, Nov. 1, 2014. The hotline will also be manned for all other future declared emergencies.

The hotline has been established to address questions pertaining to emergency debris only. Questions or concerns regarding non-emergency debris can be found on the DEQ website at: www.deq.louisiana.gov/portal/DIVISIONS/WastePermits/DisasterDebrisManagement.aspx. You can also contact the Waste Permits Division at 225-219-3181.

For a list of debris sites throughout Louisiana by parish, please go to: www.deq.louisiana.gov/portal/DIVISIONS/WastePermits/DisasterDebrisManagement/DebrisSitesfor20132014.aspx