

New law adds Bayou Manchac from the Amite River to the Mississippi River located on the boundaries of the parishes of Ascension, East Baton Rouge, and Iberville into the state historic and scenic rivers system.

New law requires the Dept. of Wildlife and Fisheries to permit flood control projects on Bayou Manchac that include replacing structures at Alligator Bayou and Frog Bayou, constricting backwater flow, work on the adjacent road south of Bayou Manchac, and realignment of Ward Creek. Also requires the department to permit snagging and dredging operations for flood control purposes.

New law provides that the Louisiana Scenic Rivers Act shall not prohibit the construction of a bridge across Bayou Manchac.

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(Amends R.S. 56:1856(B); Adds R.S. 56:1855(M))