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RE: Final Request for Written Feedback and Input on Proposed Reorganization Phase 5 Final Draft – 2024 JML-13

As we wind down our efforts to strengthen Louisiana's approach to energy and natural resources management, I am reaching out to request your engagement in our final stages of shaping the Department's reorganization. Attached is a final draft of the proposed restructuring, along with a pdf of a PowerPoint, in response to Executive Order 13, issued by Governor Jeff Landry in 2024. This draft reflects input gathered over the past year from internal and external stakeholders, including nearly every employee in our Department through town halls and individual surveys. Your feedback has directly shaped the proposed structure and priorities within the Department of Energy and Natural Resources (DENR), and I am deeply appreciative of the insights you have provided.

This framework is designed to enhance our operational efficiency, improve interagency coordination, and strengthen our resilience in managing Louisiana's natural resources. It is also built to adapt transparently as we move forward, ensuring a streamlined and flexible process.

As we proceed, I encourage you to review the attached outline and share any additional insights, suggestions, or concerns. Your feedback will be crucial in refining our final report to meet the unique needs of our communities, resources, and stakeholders. Please submit your comments to me, Mr. Clay Parker, or via email to DRIVEInitiative@la.gov by January 31, 2025, so we can incorporate them into the final stages for legislation. We anticipate releasing the final document days after the deadline. If you would like to discuss your thoughts in more detail, I am more than willing to arrange a meeting to continue the conversation.

Thank you for your continued partnership and commitment to this important initiative. Together, we can build a robust and forward-looking foundation for managing Louisiana's energy and natural resources.

Sincerely,

Tyler Gray, Secretary
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Energy and Natural Resources