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DEQ to conduct Dye Survey on Bayou Lafourche from Napoleonville to Thibodaux

BATON ROUGE – The Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality will perform the second phase of a series of dye studies on Bayou Lafourche in Assumption and Lafourche Parishes. The study will start the week of April 15 and end the week of April 22.

During each survey, bright red, non-toxic dye will be injected into the water. Citizens who notice the red coloration of the water should not be alarmed. The water body will return to its normal state and color by the end of the day. The survey is being conducted to gather information on flow patterns in the bayou with the influence of the varying pump stations. The data collected will help establish better procedures to maintain the water quality during natural disasters, such as flooding during hurricanes.

For further information about the survey, please contact DEQ Communications at 225-219-3966.