

## LOUISIANA WILDLIFE FEDERATION

"... conserving our natural resources and your right to enjoy them."



SUBJECT: DESIGNATION OF LOUISIANA SCENIC STREAMS IN THE NEW SCENIC STREAMS PROGRAM OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

<u>WHEREAS</u>, the "Louisiana Scenic Rivers Act" was first enacted in 1970 and revised and reenacted in 1988 to protect and conserve some of the State's most outstanding natural resource waters, and

<u>WHEREAS</u>, the Amite, Tangipahoa, and West Pearl Rivers are Louisiana designated scenic streams shared by the State of Mississippi, and are greatly dependent for their quality on the stewardship practiced by the streams' basin and riparian landowners in Mississippi, and

<u>WHEREAS</u>, in 1999 the Mississippi State Legislature authorized a voluntary Scenic Streams Stewardship Program to designate outstanding Mississippi streams for special conservation treatment, similar to the protection afforded to Louisiana streams designated by the Louisiana Scenic Rivers Act, and

<u>WHEREAS</u>, the Mississippi Department of Wildlife, Fisheries and Parks, administrator of the Mississippi Scenic Streams Stewardship Program, is soliciting nominations of streams for designation in that program.

<u>THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED</u> that the Louisiana Wildlife Federation urges the designation of all or appropriate segments of the Amite, Tangipahoa and Pearl Rivers in the State of Mississippi for inclusion in the Mississippi Scenic Streams Stewardship Program.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the LWF requests the administrator of the Louisiana Natural and Scenic Rivers System to assist in providing the documentation to nominate the Amite, Tangipahoa and Pearl Rivers for designation in the Mississippi Scenic Streams Stewardship Program.

Adopted by the Louisiana Wildlife Federation in convention assembled, March 12, 2000 in Alexandria, Louisiana.

337 S. Acadian Thruway, Baton Rouge, LA 70806
P.O. Box 65239 Audubon Station, Baton Rouge, LA 70896-5239
Email: lawildfed@aol.com