

**CADDO PARISH COMMISSION  
505 TRAVIS STREET, GOVERNMENT PLAZA  
PUBLIC NOTICE  
NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE  
(Virtual)  
APRIL 28, 2020  
1:00 PM**

**This meeting will be available for viewing on the Parish of Caddo's Facebook page via Facebook Live.**

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1. ROLL CALL

**John-Paul Young, Chair**

Ken Epperson, Sr.

Ed Lazarus

Steven Jackson

Mario Chavez, President

2. INVOCATION:

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

4. AGENDA ADDITIONS:

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Citizens who wish to address the Committee, please fill out a comment card by clicking [HERE](#) and submit to the Commission Clerk's Office. Individual comments are limited to 3 minutes and will be read aloud during the Public Comments section of this agenda. Citizens may also address the Committee by calling the Commission Clerk's Office at (318) 226-6596 during the Public Comments section of this agenda.

6. NEW BUSINESS:

6.I. Certificate For Teleconference

Documents:

[CERT TELECONFERENCE NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE 4.28.2020.PDF](#)

6.II. Discussion Regarding Dredging The Red River

6.III. Discussion Regarding The Louisiana Watershed Initiative

6.IV. Discussion Regarding Developing And Expanding The Caddo Parish Food Security Project (Gardens)

7. ADJOURN:

**CERTIFICATE OF NEED TO TELECONFERENCE AND/OR VIDEO  
CONFERENCE THE CADDO PARISH COMMISSION  
NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE MEETING OF APRIL 28, 2020**

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**WHEREAS**, the Governor of the State of Louisiana has issued Proclamation Number 33 JBE 2020, stating that, due to the current Public Health emergency declared in the Governor's Proclamation Number 25 JBE 2020, and citing the provisions of La. R.S. 29:721, *et seq.*, granting him the authority to control the "ingress and egress to and from a disaster, the movement of persons within the area, and the occupancy of premises therein; and

**WHEREAS**, the Governor, in Proclamation Number 33 JBE 2020, has limited all gatherings of 10 or more people, for public safety purposes; and

**WHEREAS**, Governor has issued a general stay at home order "unless performing an essential activity," 33 JBE 2020, Section 3; and

**WHEREAS**, attendance at a Caddo Parish Commission Natural Resources Committee meeting is not stated in the list of essential activities, listed in 33 JBE 2020, Section 3; and

**WHEREAS**, the usual conduct of the meeting would require travel and the presence of a number of persons in excess of ten (10); and

**WHEREAS**, the Governor of the State, in Proclamation Number 30 JBE 2020, Section 4, issued on March 16, 2020, has invoked the aforementioned statutes authorizing him to allow attendance at essential governmental meetings via teleconference or video conference during the pendency of this emergency; and

**WHEREAS**, the Governor of the State, in Proclamation Number 41 JBE 2020, Section 13, issued on April 2, 2020, has extended the Stay-At-Home Order until Thursday, April 30, 2020; and

**THEREFORE**, the Caddo Parish Commission hereby certifies that it will not be able to obtain a quorum and convene a meeting in a public forum on April 20, 2020 due to the Governor's proclamations, and will be required to meet by video conference, and, if necessary teleconference, on that date as allowed by law and the Proclamations of the Governor listed above.

Date: April 24, 2020

  
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**Mario Chavez**  
**Caddo Parish Commission President**