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**Subject:** Technical Public Records Request for Bayou Vermilion Spoil Bank Removal Project - 2nd Request  
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