

## POLICY OF THE LOUISIANA IRRIGATION ASSOCIATION ON LICENSURE

Licensing irrigation professionals promotes the protection of public health, safety, and general welfare; supports the environmental, economic and social benefits of cultivated landscapes; and helps to ensure the efficient use of water resources.

LIA understands the need for licensure in the profession of landscape irrigation contracting. It identifies one that has shown competency in the knowledge required in order to pass the exam. Licensing keeps the profession professional. The consumer can easily check to see if the company they select to do landscape irrigation is licensed by going to the LDAF website which provides for consumer protection. The LDAF Horticulture Commission can bring non-compliant individuals before the Commission and fine them for improper work.

Therefore, LIA supports licensure by LDAF for the landscape irrigation contractors license.