

# Louisiana's Coastal Program



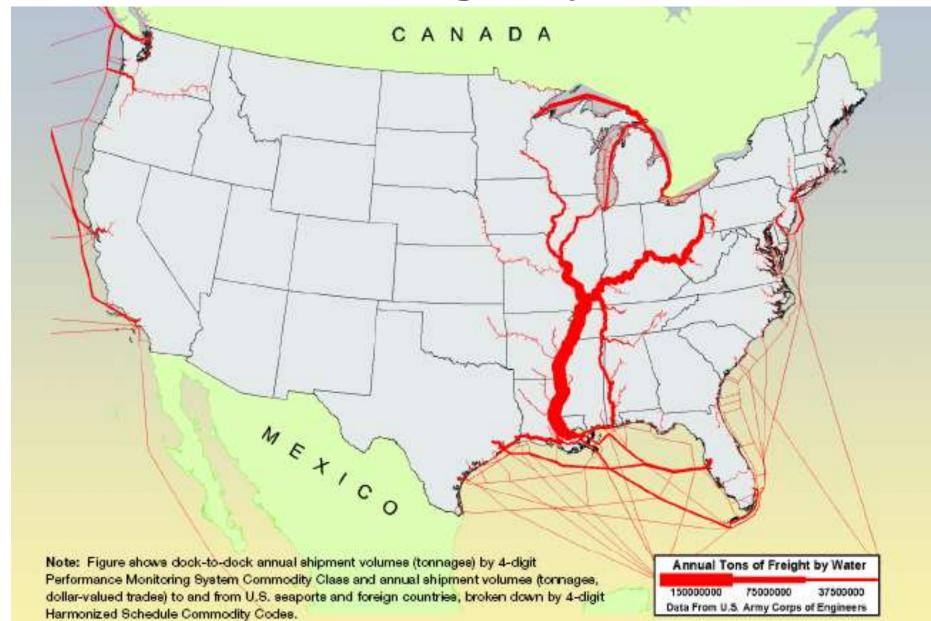


# Louisiana's National Role

# **Ports - Cargo**

- Top tonnage port in the nation
- Five of the top 15 tonnage ports in the US
- One of the largest cargo port complexes in the world
- 19 percent of all domestic waterborne commerce
- Over 30 states depend upon Louisiana's ports for imports and exports.....

# **Annual Tons of Freight by Water**

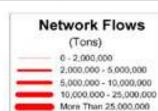




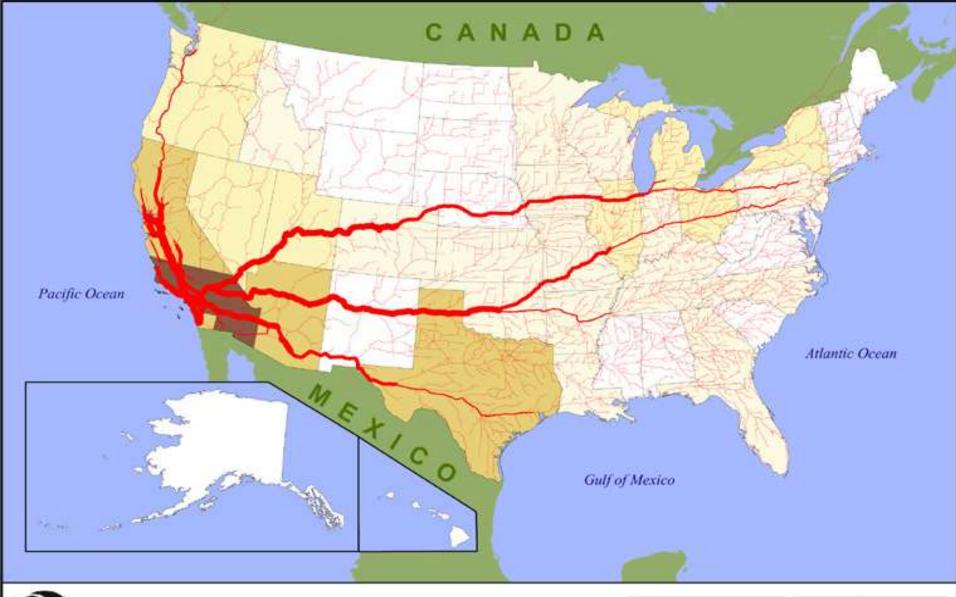


Total Combined Truck Flows (1998)

**NEW YORK** 



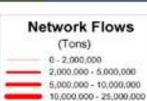






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More Than 25,000,000

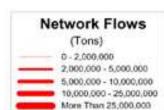


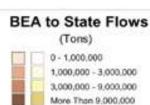




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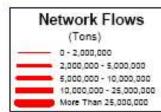


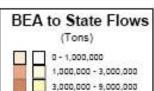


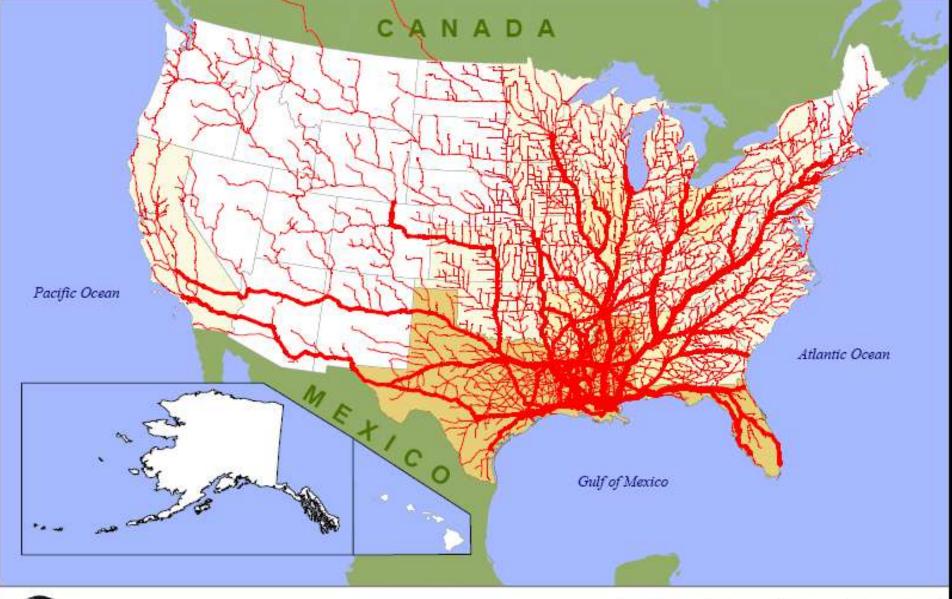


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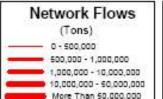


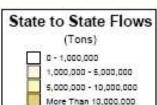




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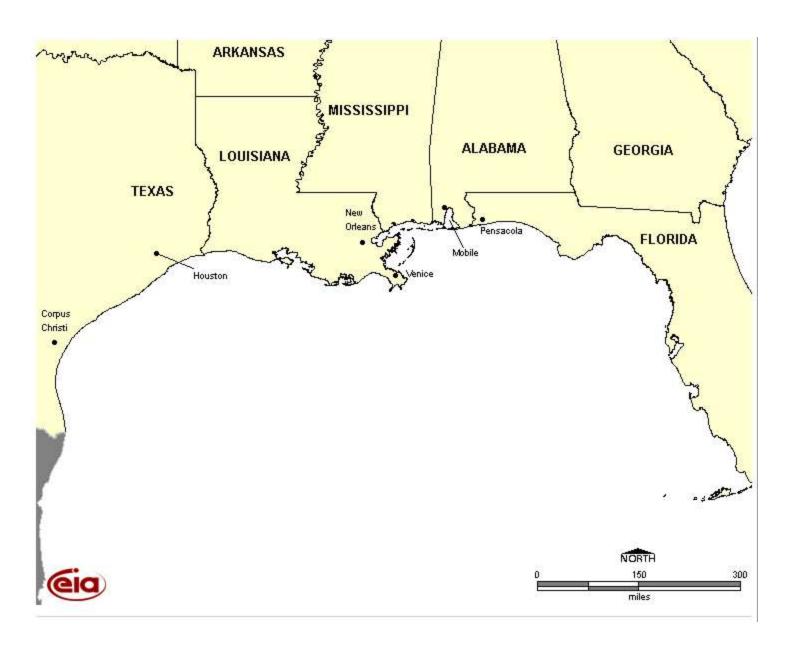
#### **Seafood and Wildlife**

- #1 producer in fisheries in the Lower 48 States
- #2 producer of oysters
- #1 producer of blue crabs
- #1 producer of crawfish
- #1 producer of shrimp
- #1 habitat for migratory waterfowl and songbirds

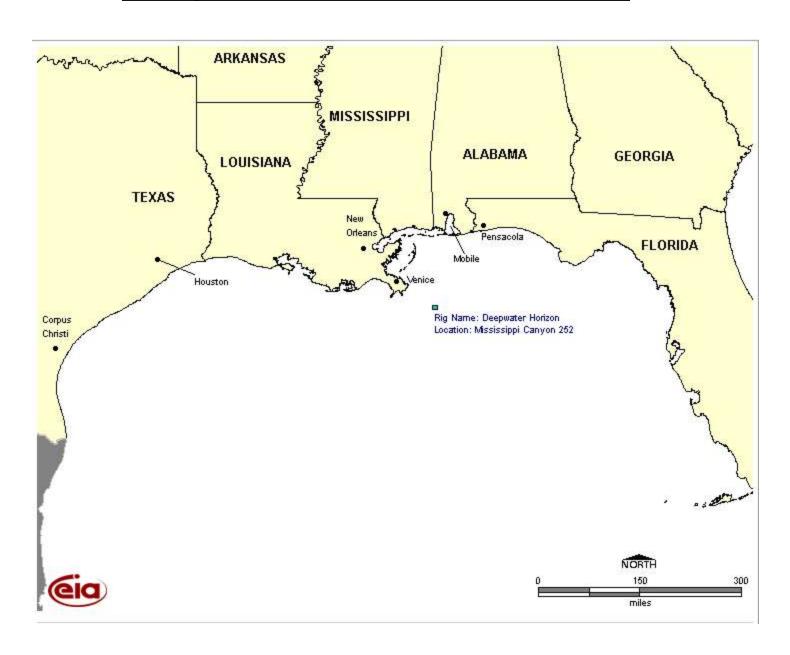
## **Ecosystem Services**

- Five million waterfowl
- 25 million songbirds
- America's largest wintering habitat for migratory waterfowl and songbirds
- 70 rare, threatened, or endangered species
- Top source of wild seafood in the continental United States
- Wetlands serve as part of the hurricane protection system

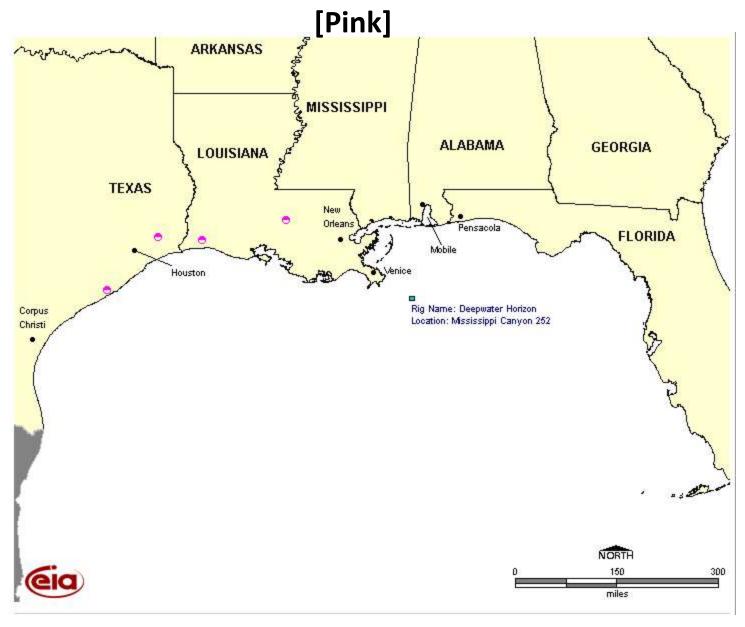
### **Gulf of Mexico-Energy**



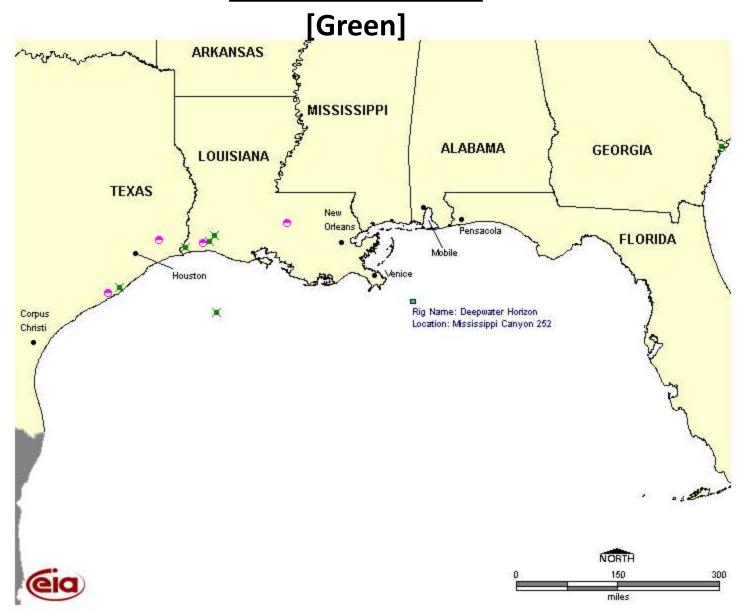
#### **Deepwater Horizon Well Site**



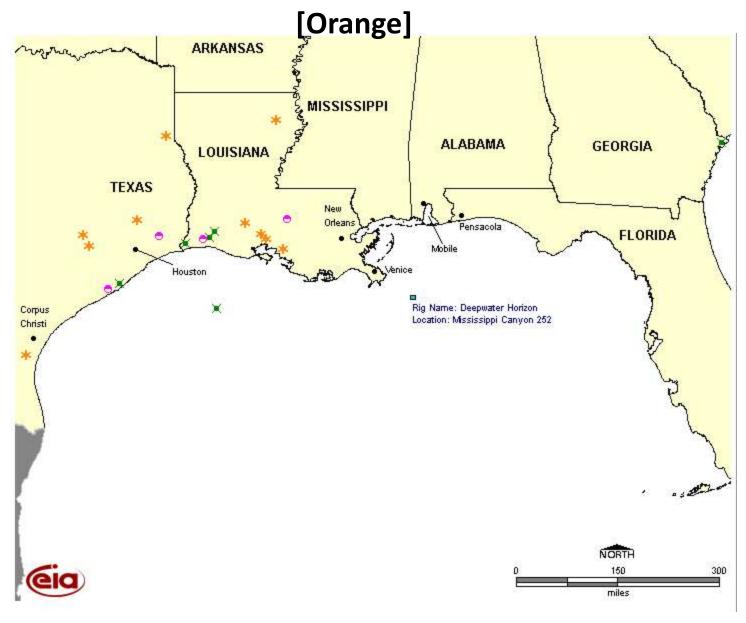
#### **Strategic Petroleum Reserves**



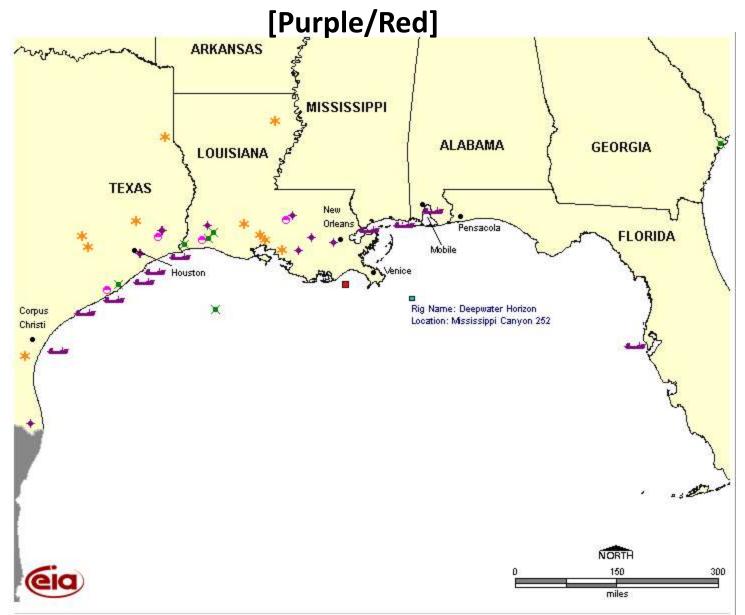
### **LNG Terminals**



#### **Natural Gas Market Center (Hubs)**

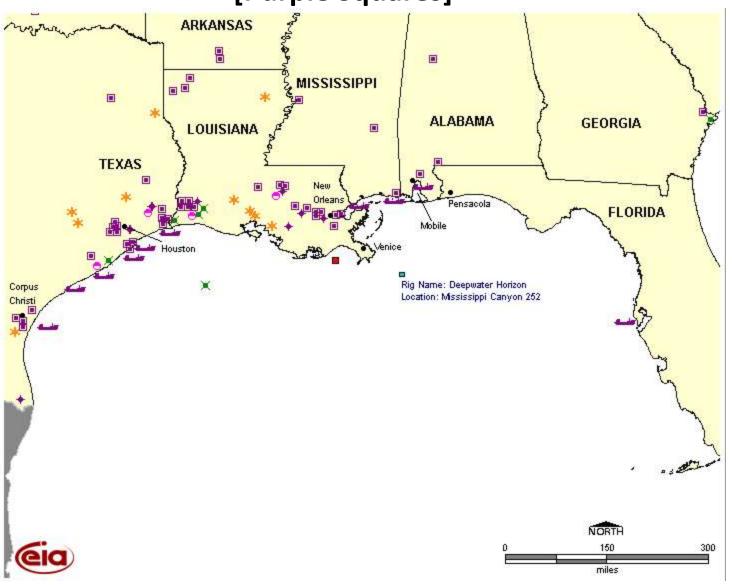


Oil Import Sites/Seaports

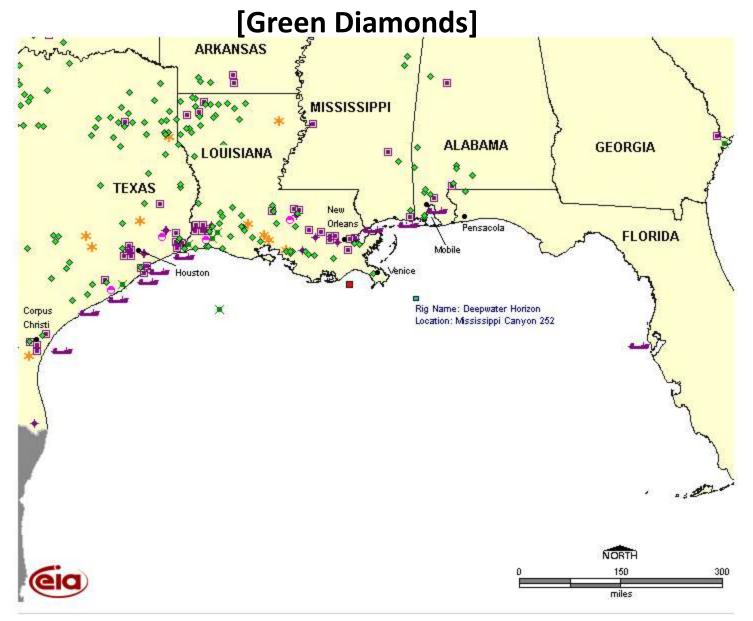


#### **Petroleum Refineries**

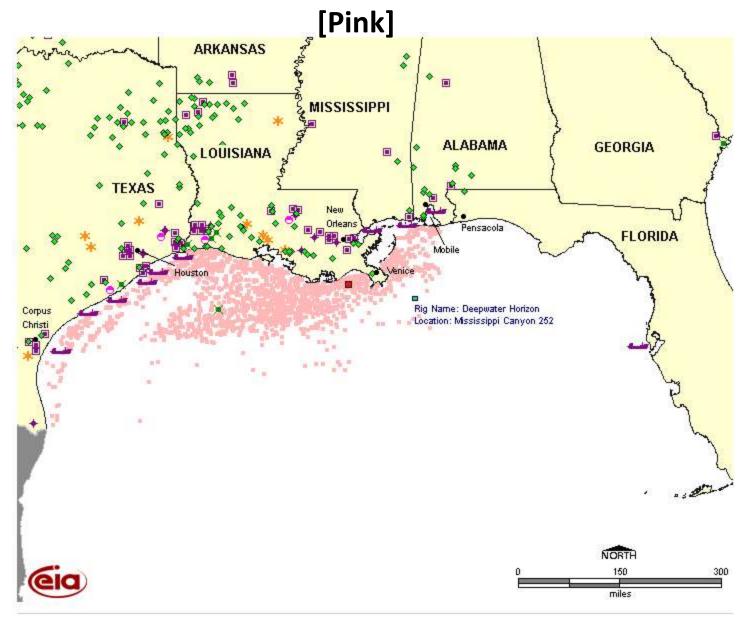
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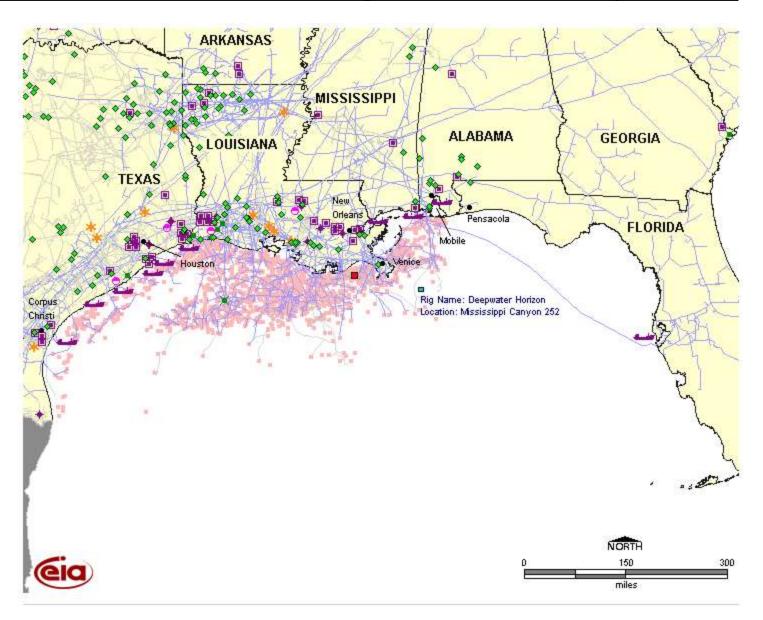
#### **Natural Gas Processing Facilities**



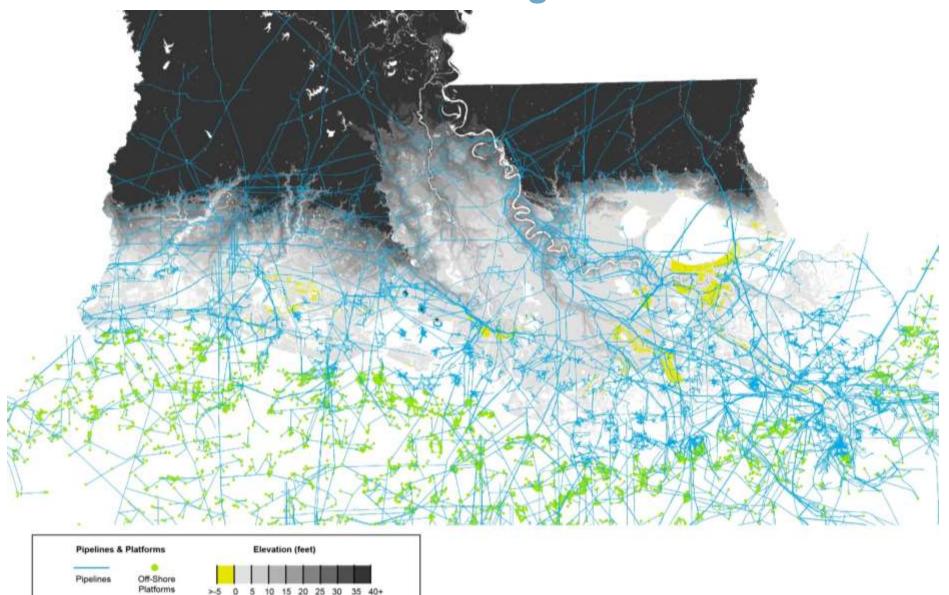
### **Active Offshore Oil/Gas Platforms**



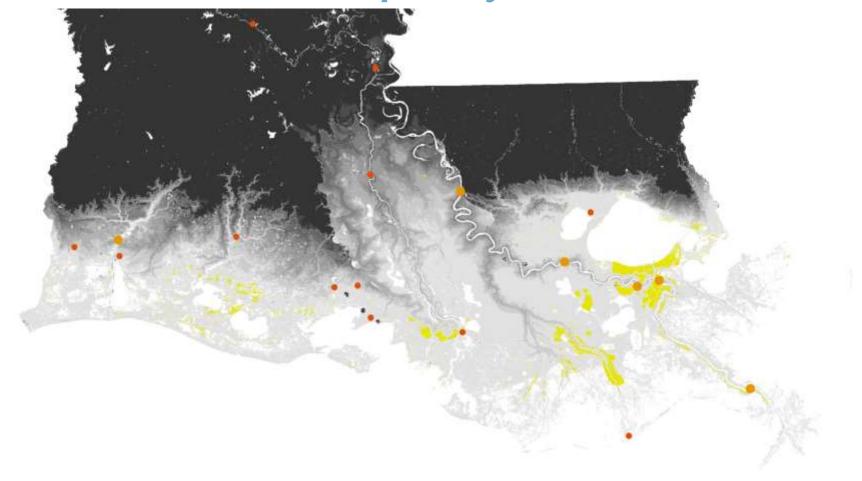
#### **Natural Gas Gathering/Interstate Pipelines**

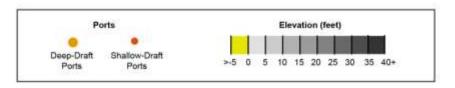


## Coastal Louisiana: oil & gas infrastructure

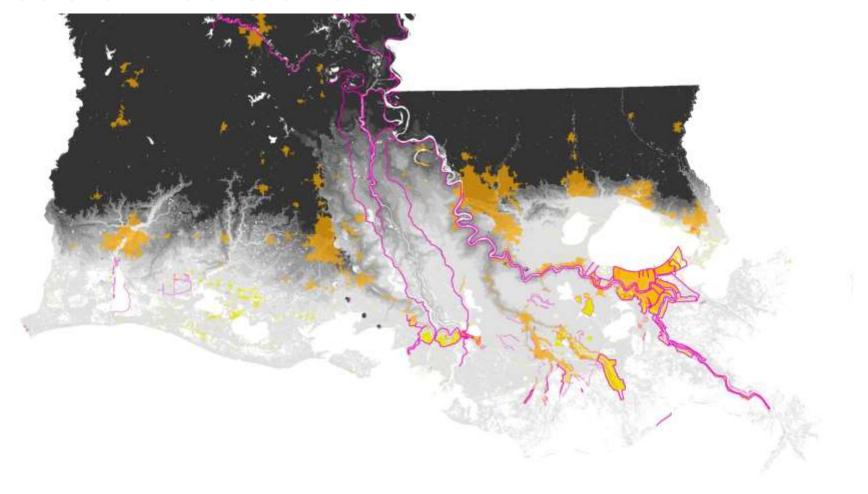


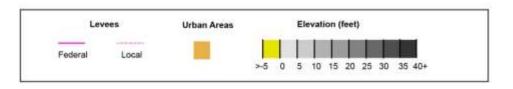
# Coastal Louisiana: port system





## Coastal Louisiana: urban areas







# Sustainable? Our Coastal Crisis

## Louisiana is Experiencing a Coastal Crisis



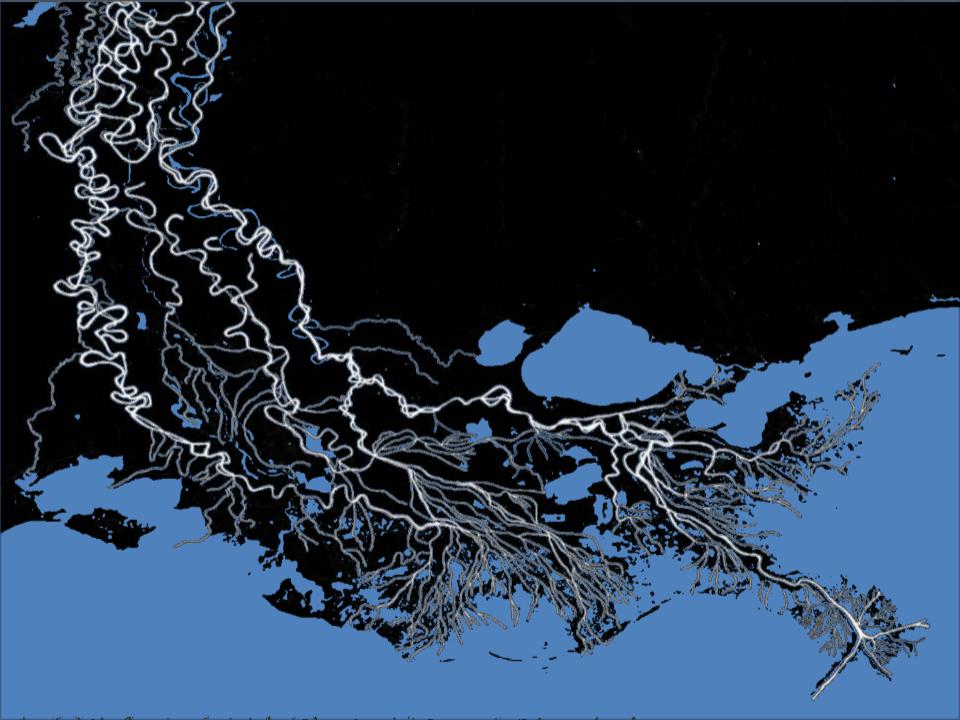
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square miles
lost since
the 1930s





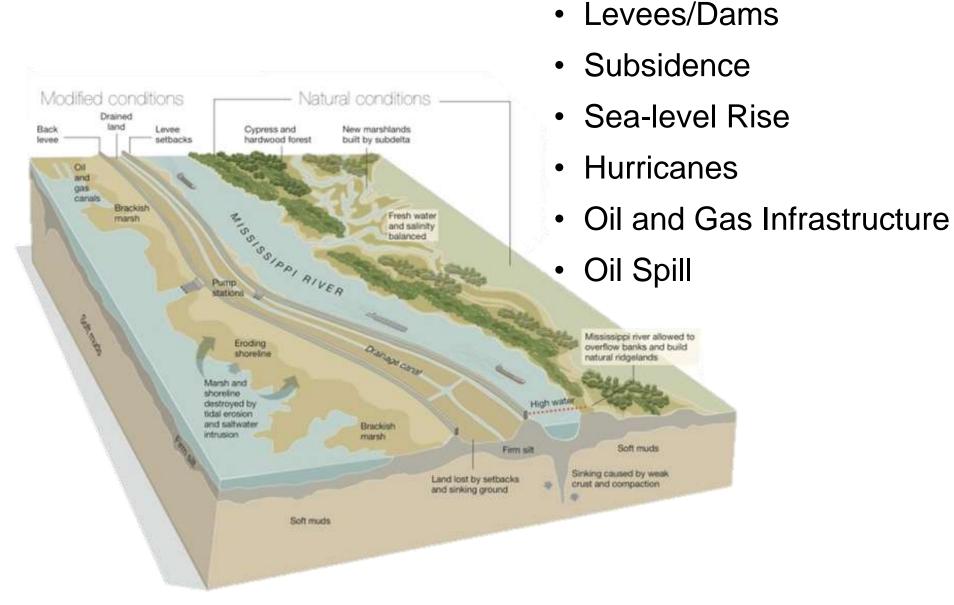
Currently losing over **16** square miles per year



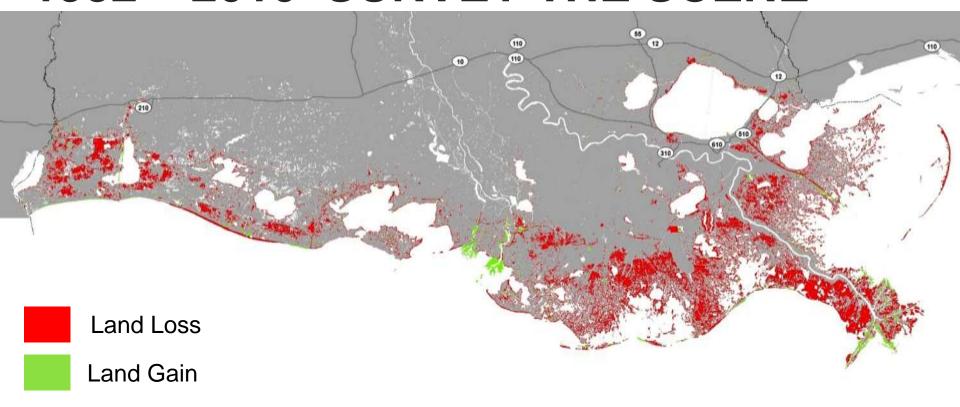




#### **Main Causes of Land Loss**

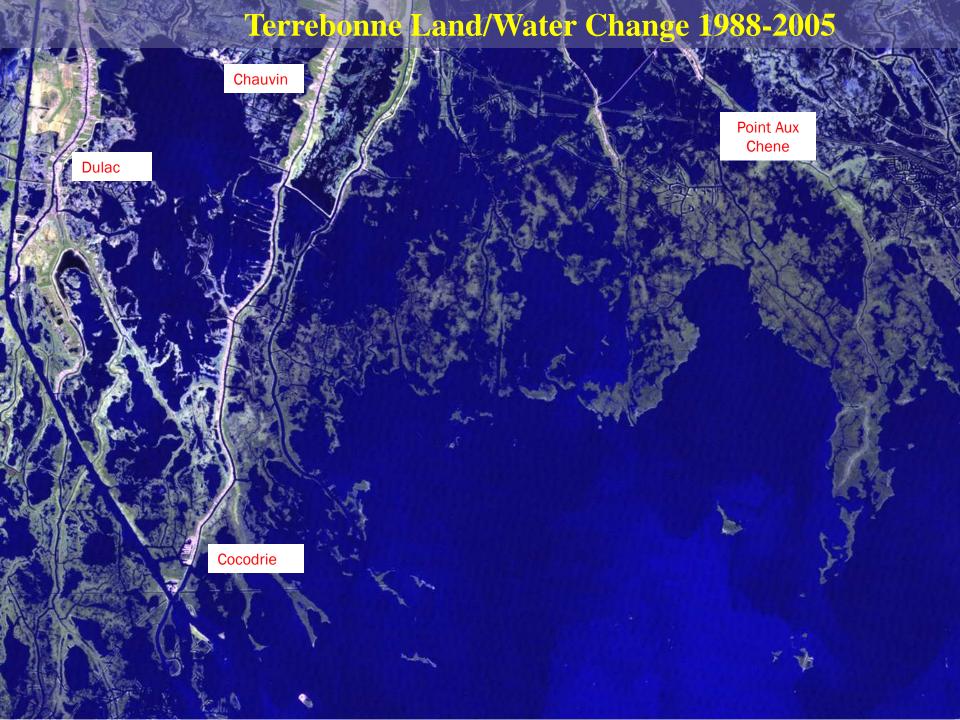


## Land Area Change in Coastal LA 1932 – 2010 SURVEY THE SCENE

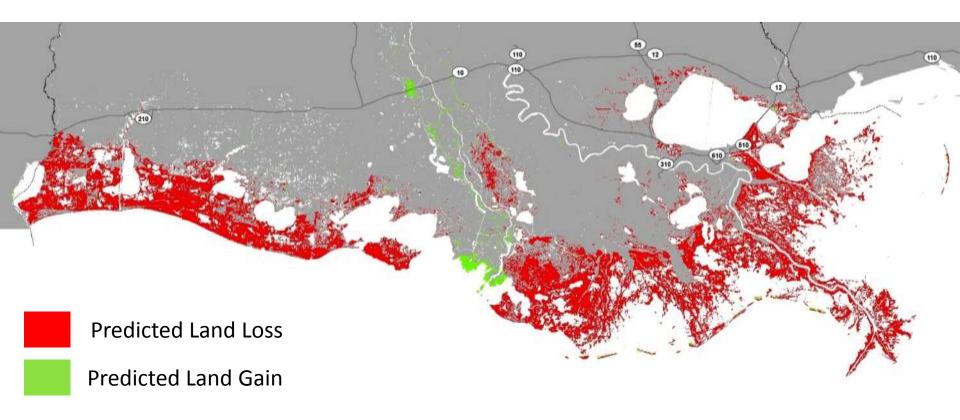


Historic Land-Water Change from 1932-2010

Approx. 1,900 sq. mi. (492,100 ha.) Couvillion et al (USGS), 2011



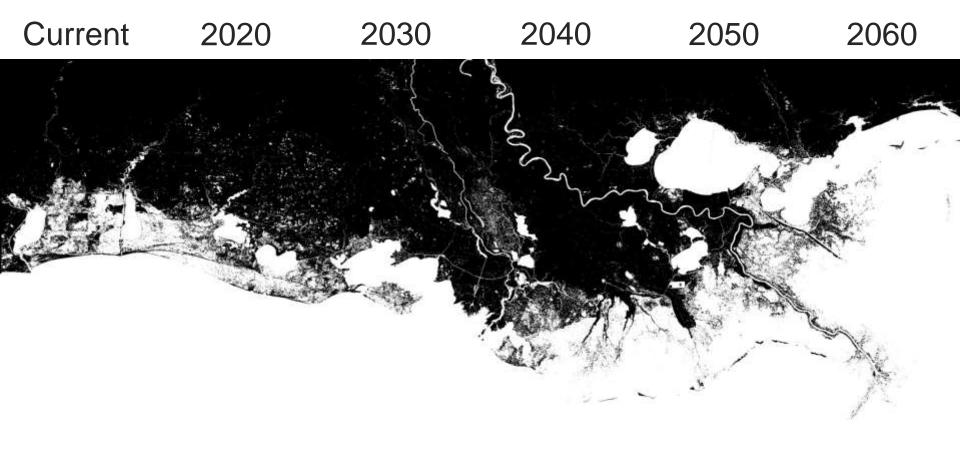
#### **HOW BAD IS IT- Future Without Action**



More Extreme- Potential to lose an additional 1,765 square miles (455,000 ha.) of land over the next 50 years.

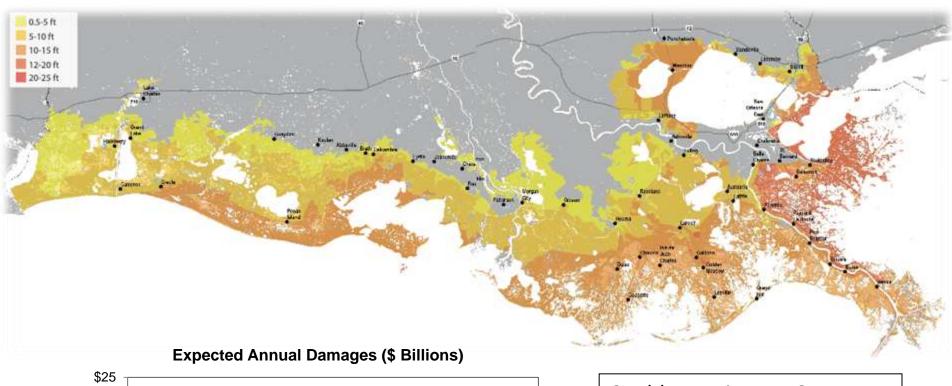
Utilized 0.45 m of sea level rise over 50 years, Subsidence rates 0 to 25 mm per year

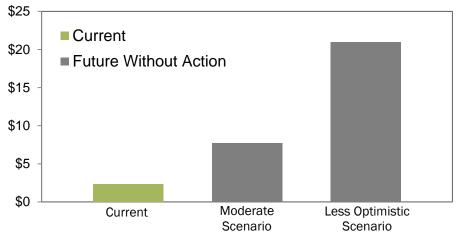
#### **Our Coastal Crisis Will Continue**



With No Action Over the Next 50 Years

## **Increasing Vulnerability to Livelihoods**



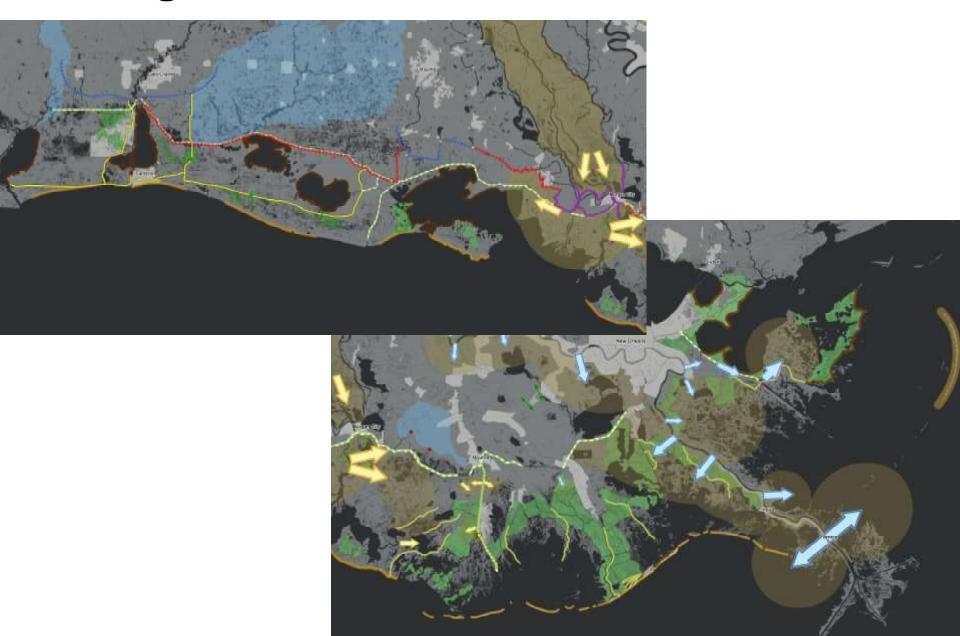


Could experience **10x** more damages than today



# Louisiana's Coastal Master Plan

## **Building on the 2007 Master Plan**

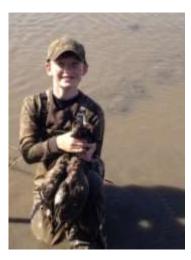


# **Master Plan Objectives**











Flood Protection

Reduce economic losses from storm-based flooding

Natural Processes

Promote a sustainable ecosystem by harnessing the processes of the natural system

Coastal Habitats

Provide habitats
suitable to support
an array of
commercial and
recreational activities
coast wide

Cultural Heritage

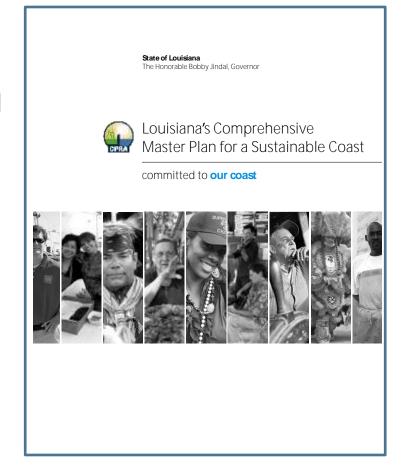
Sustain Louisiana's unique heritage and culture

**Working Coast** 

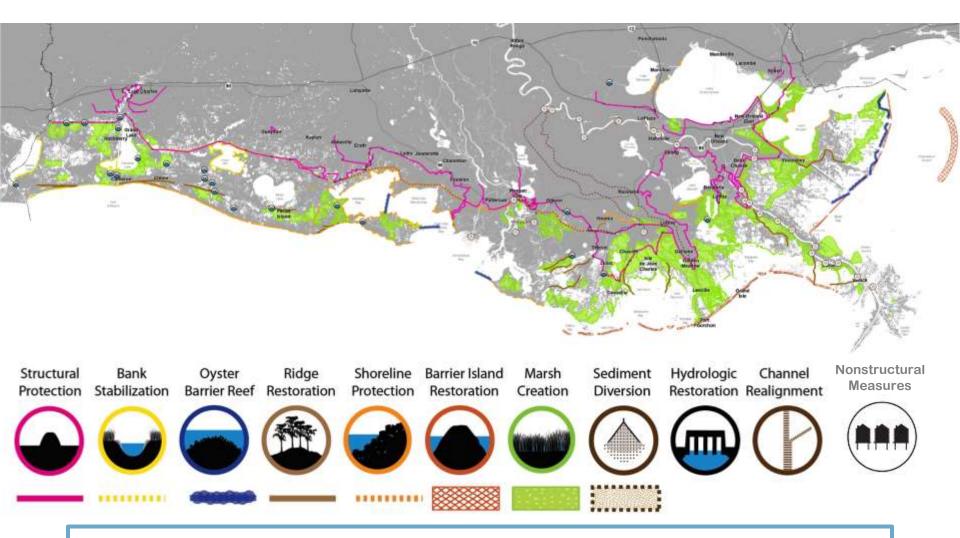
Support regionally and nationally important businesses and industries

#### 2012 Coastal Master Plan

- Built on world class science and engineering
- Evaluated hundreds of existing project concepts
- Incorporated extensive public input and review
- Resource constrained
  - Funding, water, sediment
- Identified investments that will pay off, not just for us, but for our children and grandchildren



# **Evaluation of Hundreds of Existing Projects**



Nearly 400 Projects Evaluated Across the Coast

# **Restoration Projects:**



Barrier Island Restoration



Hydrologic Restoration



Marsh Creation



Oyster Barrier Reefs



Ridge Restoration



Shoreline Protection



Bank Stabilization



Channel Realignment



Sediment Diversion

# Protection Projects: Structural Protection Projects









Concrete Wall



Floodgate



Pumps

# Protection Projects: Nonstructural Protection Projects





Elevated Housing

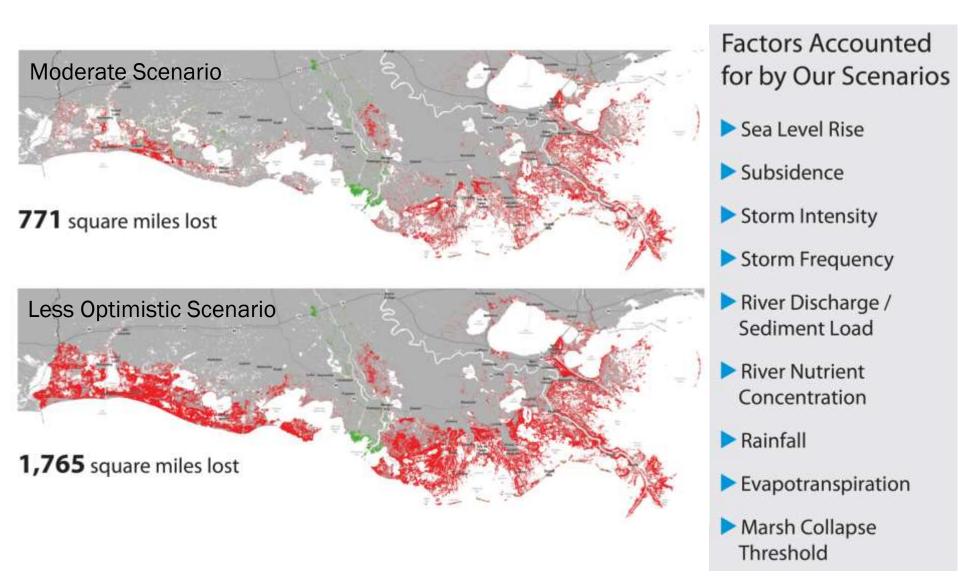


Floodproofing



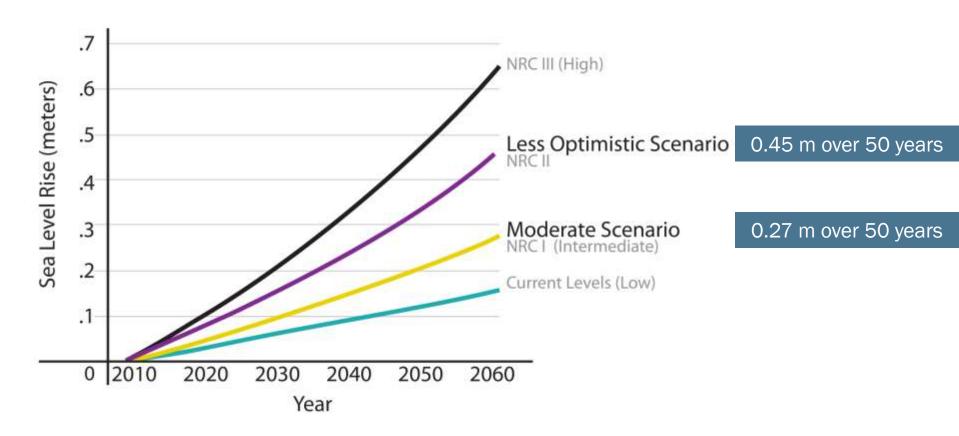
Voluntary Acquisition

#### **Future Scenarios**



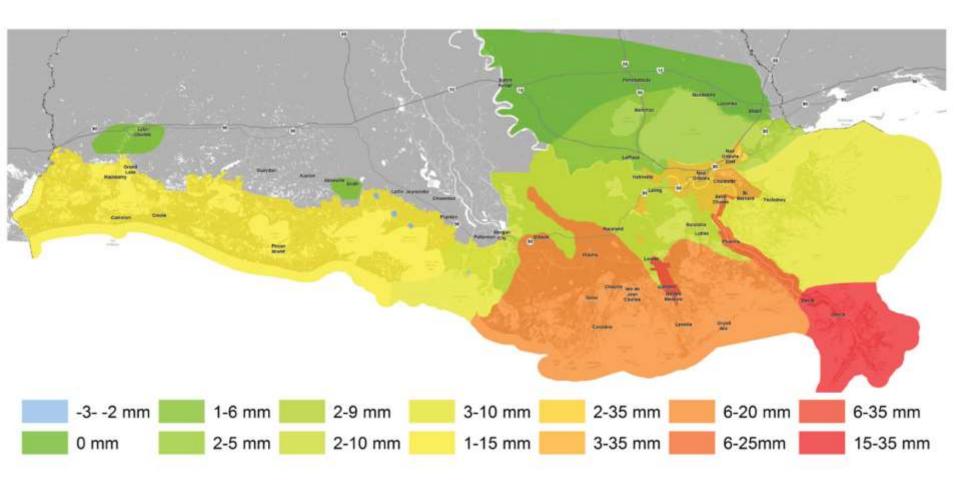
# Variation in Sea Level Rise (Eustatic)

#### Estimates of Sea Level Rise over Next 50 Years



On-going analysis is incorporating new research and evaluating a scenario of 0.78 m over 50 years

#### **Variation in Subsidence Rates**



Subsidence Advisory Panel Members: Louis Britsch, PhD, PG, USACE-MVN; Roy Dokka, PhD, LSU; Joseph Dunbar, PG, USACE-ERDC; Mark Kulp, PhD, UNO; Michael Stephen, PhD, PG, CEC; Kyle Straub, PhD, Tulane; Torbjorn Tornqvist, PhD, Tulane

# Science and Engineering Board

#### **Ecosystem Science / Coastal Ecology**

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- Edward Houde, PhD, University of Maryland
- Katherine Ewel, PhD, University of Florida

#### **Engineering**

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- Jos Dijkman, MsC, PE, Dijkman Delft

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#### **Social Science and Risk**

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- Philip Berke, PhD, University of North Carolina Chapel Hill

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#### **Environmental/Natural Resource Economics**

Edward Barbier, PhD, University of Wyoming

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- Steve Ashby, PhD, USACE Eng. Res. Dev. Center
- John Callaway, PhD, University of San Francisco
- Fred Sklar, PhD, South Florida Water Mgmt. District
- Si Simenstad, MS, University of Washington

#### **Planning Tool**

- John Boland, PhD, PE, John Hopkins
- Ben Hobbs, PhD, John Hopkins
- Len Shabman, PhD, Virginia Tech

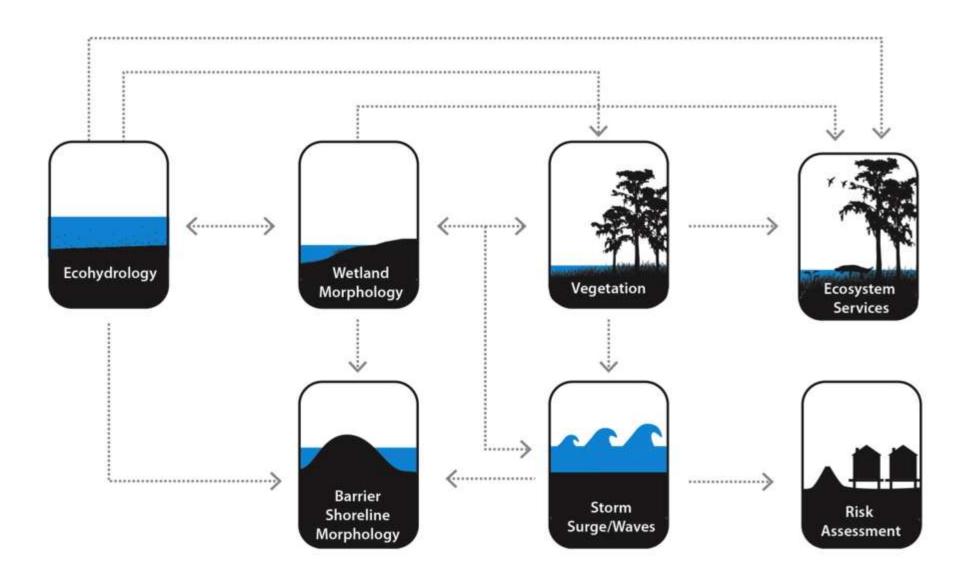
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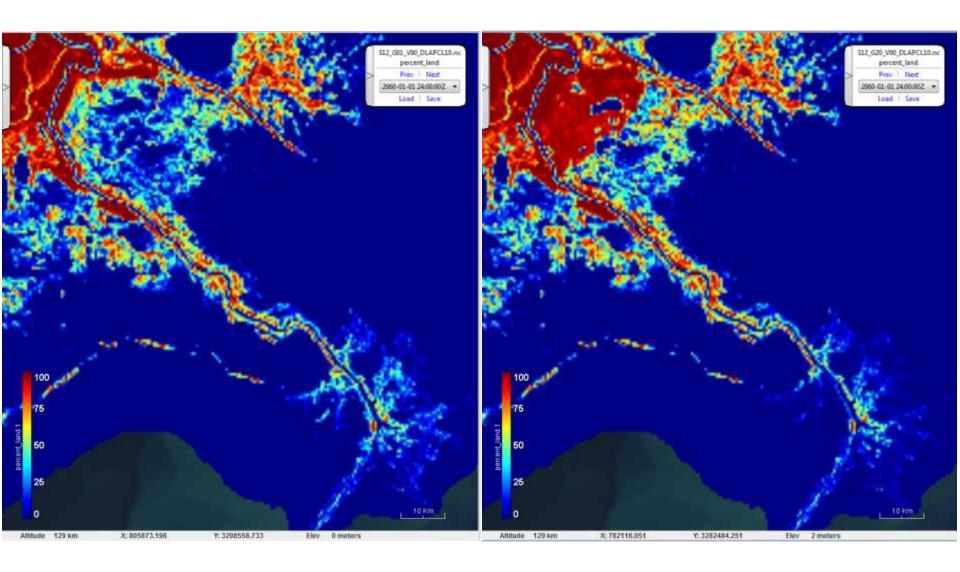
- Don Davis, PhD, Louisiana State University
- Maida Owens, LA Dept. of Culture, Recreation, and Tourism
- Carl Brasseaux, PhD, University of Louisiana Lafayette

## **Predictive Models Team**

Predictive Model	Lead
Ecohydrology	Ehab Meselhe, PhD, PE, ULL + 9 members
Vegetation	Jenneke Visser, PhD, ULL + 8 members
Wetland Morphology	Greg Steyer, PhD, USGS + 6 members
Barrier Island Morphology	Mark Kulp, PhD, UNO + 6 members
Ecosystem Services	Andy Nyman, PhD, LSU + 8 members
Storm Surge	Joe Suhayda, PhD, Arcadis + 3 members
Storm Damage/Risk	Jordan Fischbach, PhD, RAND + 7 members
Data Integration	Craig Conzelmann and USGS team
Uncertainty Analysis	Emad Habib, PhD, ULL
Technical Advisor	Denise Reed, PhD, UNO

# **Using New Tools, Breaking New Ground**







Year 50
Change in Percent
Land Compared to
FWOA

Scenario B



#### **Grounded in Science**

# Risk Reduction Expected Annual Damages



#### **Decision Criteria and Ecosystem Services**



Distribution of flood risk across socioeconomic groups



Flood protection of historic properties



Flood protection of strategic assets



Operation and maintenance costs



Sustainability



Support for navigation



Use of natural processes



Support for cultural heritage



Support for oil & gas



Oyster



Shrimp



Freshwater Availability



Alligator



Waterfowl



Saltwater Fisheries



Freshwater Fisheries



Carbon Sequestration



Nitrogen Removal



Agriculture/Aquaculture



Other Coastal Wildlife



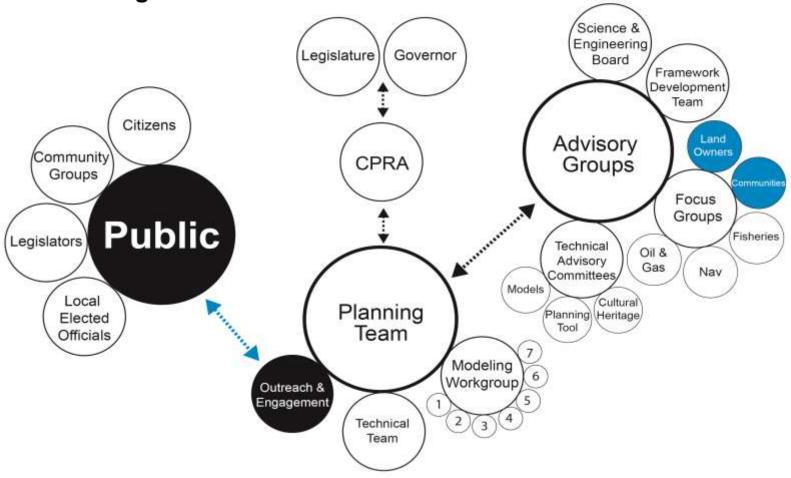
Nature-Based Tourism

Responsive to the Needs of Our Coastal Communities



# **Outreach and Engagement Groups**

Incorporating Citizen & Stakeholder Knowledge into the Planning Process



## Framework Development Team





































































Over 30 Federal, State, NGO, Academic, Community, and Industry Organizations

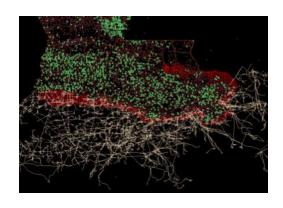
## **Focus Groups**

 Key industries are impacted by land loss and large scale protection and restoration efforts



- Created three focus groups:
  - Navigation
  - Fisheries
  - Oil and Gas
- Expanding membership to:
  - Landowners
  - Community groups





#### **Extensive Public Outreach and Review**



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# Louisiana's 2012 Comprehensive Master Plan for a Sustainable Coast



Structural Protection

Bank Stabilization Oyster Barrier Reef Ridge Restoration Shoreline Protection

e Barrier Island n Restoration

Marsh Creation Sediment Diversion Hydrologic Restoration















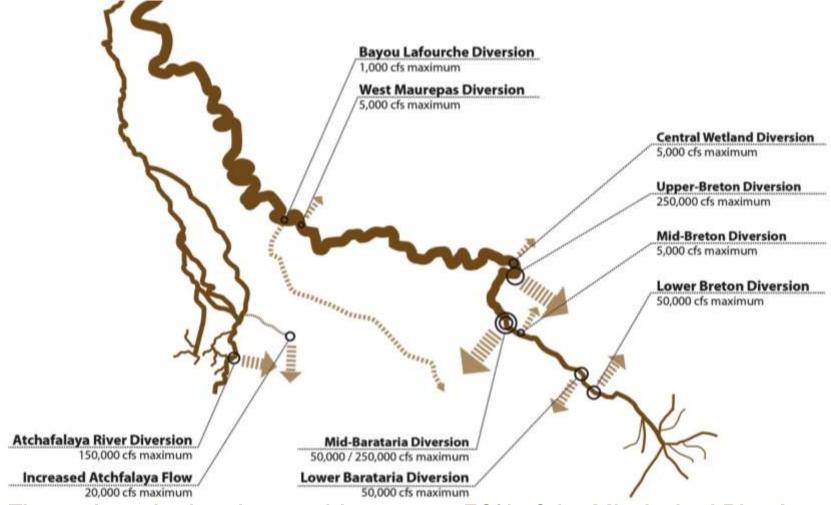




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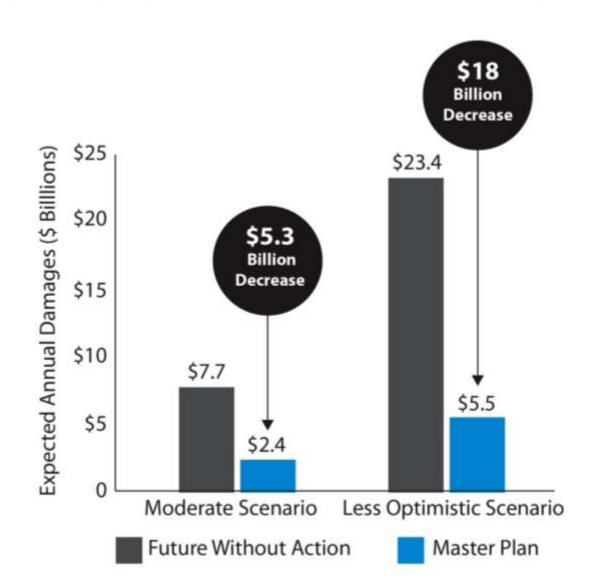
# **Keystone of the 2012 Master Plan:** Reconnecting the River



The projects in the plan would use up to 50% of the Mississippi River's peak flow for sediment diversions, in addition to using water and sediment from the Atchafalaya River.

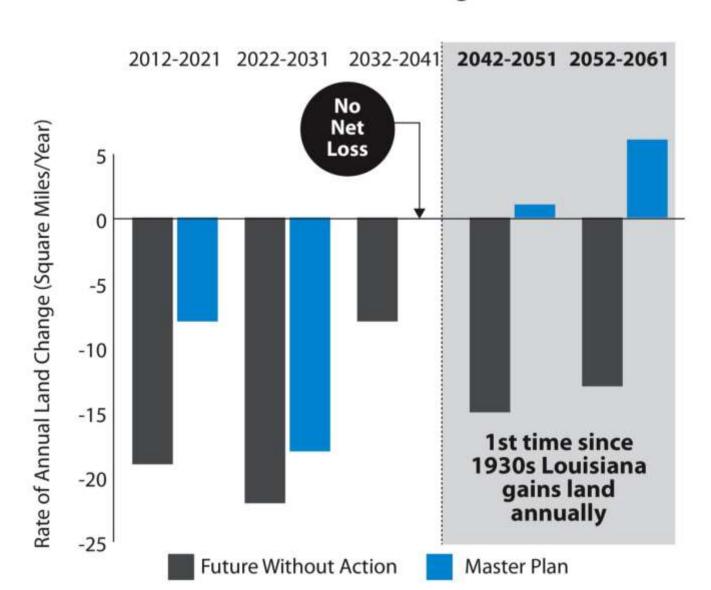
#### What the Master Plan Delivers

Potential Expected Annual Damages from Flooding at Year 50

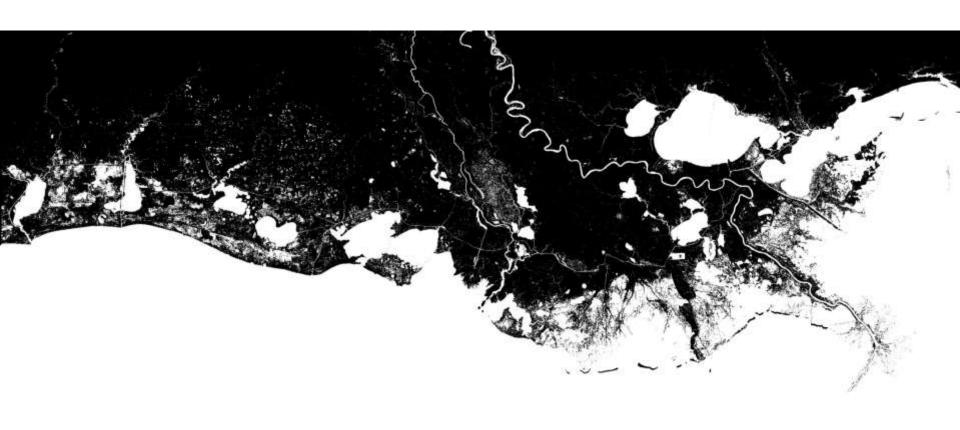


#### What the Master Plan Delivers

Potential Annual Rates of Land Change Over the Next 50 Years



### What the Master Plan Delivers



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# **Expanded Small Scale Physical Model**

# Small Scale Physical Model (SSPM)

#### Why Physical Modelling?

- Tool capable of producing qualitative results; used to complement various computer modelling efforts.
- Model scenarios can be run very quickly
  - 100 years in 100 hours
- Visualization
- Low cost



# **Small Scale Physical Model (SSPM)**



# **SSPM Background and History**

**2002-2003**: Construction and Initial Calibration (France)

**2003-2004**: Model Reassembly and Operations (LSU)

**2004-2009**: Model operated and maintained by CPRA and LSU

**2010-2011**: CPRA assessed the future of the SSPM

**2011-2014**: Design of the Expanded Small Scale Physical Model





## **Expanded Small Scale Physical Model**

#### **Geometric Scaling**

Horizontal - 1:12,000 versus 1:6000

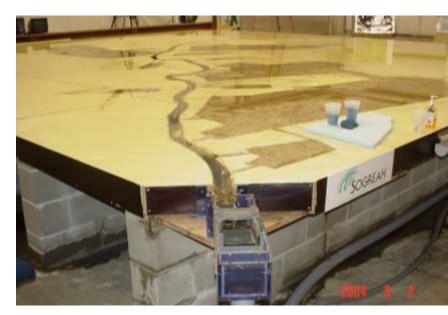
Vertical - 1:500 versus 1:400

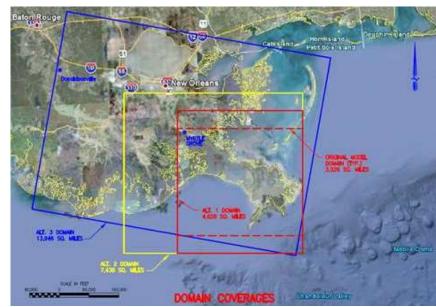
Distortion - 24 versus 15

#### **Domain**

Myrtle Grove to GOM versus Donaldsonville to GOM

4600 Sq. mi versus 14,000 Sq. mi





# **Expanded Small Scale Physical Model Design Overview**

- Model domain covers over 14,000 Sq. miles of Coastal Louisiana:
  - RM 179 to the GOM
  - Includes Lake Pontchartrain; Barataria Basin; most of Terrebonne Basin
- 3D model surface created using multiple datasets:
  - USACE Hydrographic Surveys
  - CPRA MR Multi-Beam Data
  - LIDAR
  - NOAA Nautical Charts
- 216 5 ft. X 10 ft. X 1 ft. High Density Foam Panels
  - Dimensionally stable closed cell material
  - Easy to machine; durable
  - Density = 20 lb/cu. ft.; Weight = 1000 lbs per panel

# **Expanded Small Scale Physical Model Construction Overview**

#### Model bed to be constructed using CNC Router

#### Additional equipment:

- Vacuum/air handling system
- Jack supports frame bed
- Laser Scanner/Optical Level
- GeoMagic Software

#### 'Guinea Pig' Model

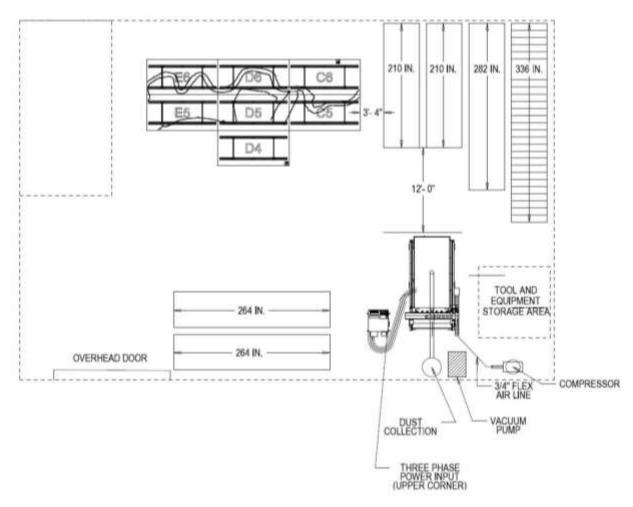
- Seven panel test model
- Domain from Bonne Carre Spillway to New Orlean East
- Results will be compared to actual 2011 Bonne Carre data

#### Full Model Panel Routing

- Routing of 216 panels will take place at Forte Lab
- Panels will be routed and stored until Facility is complete

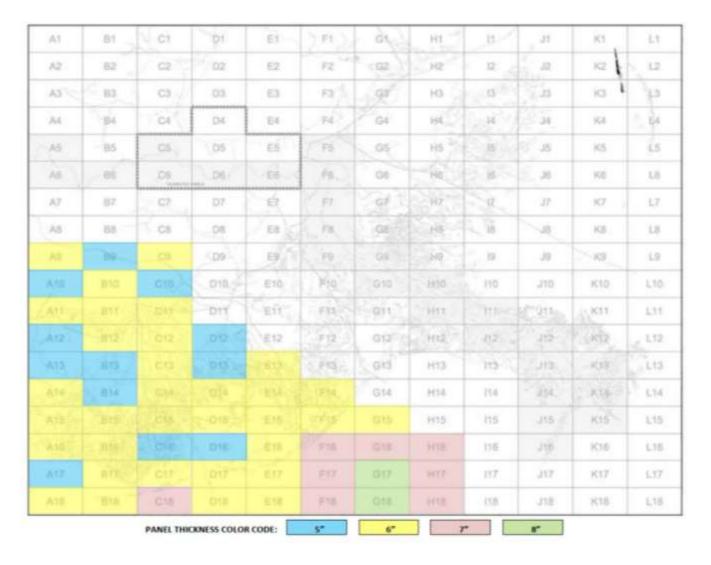
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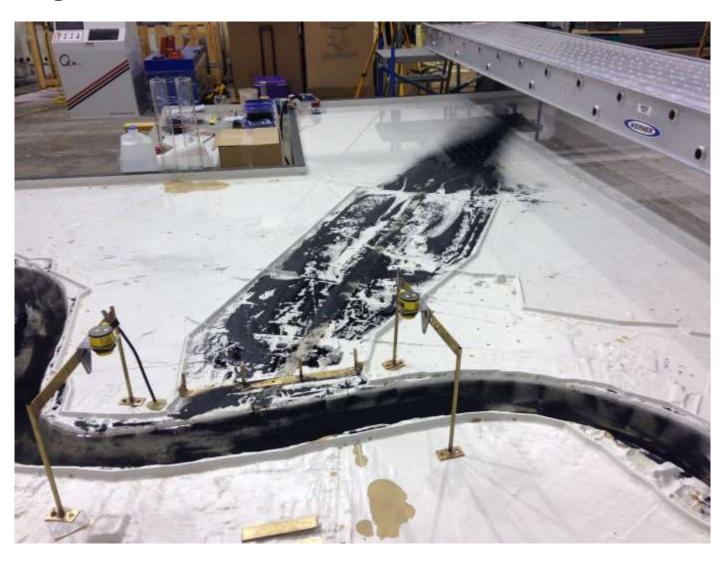
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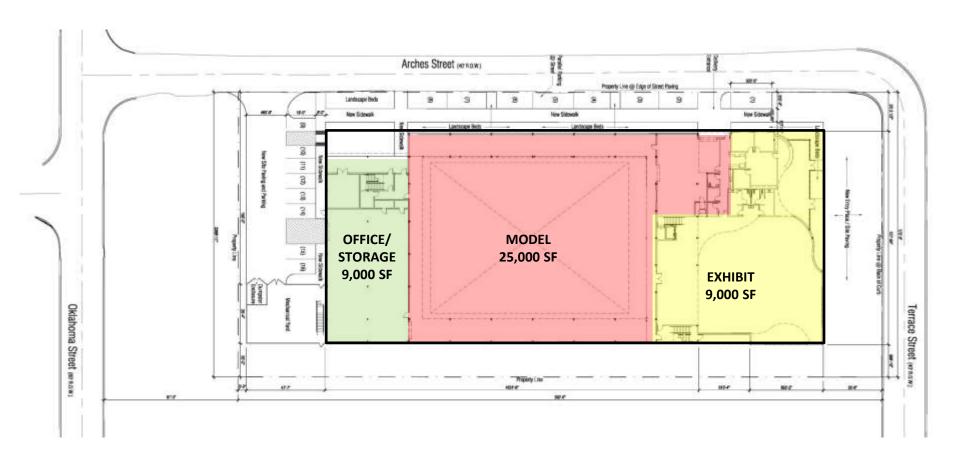


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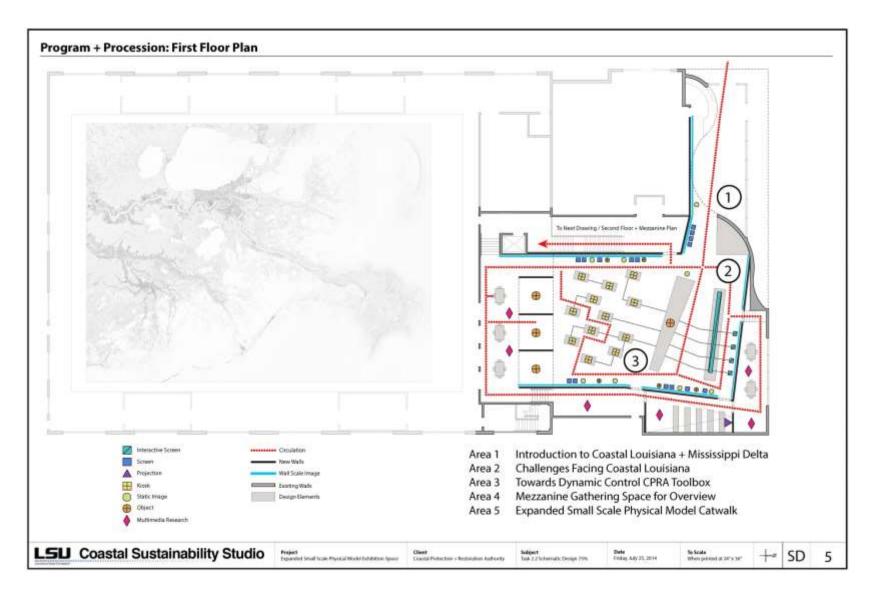


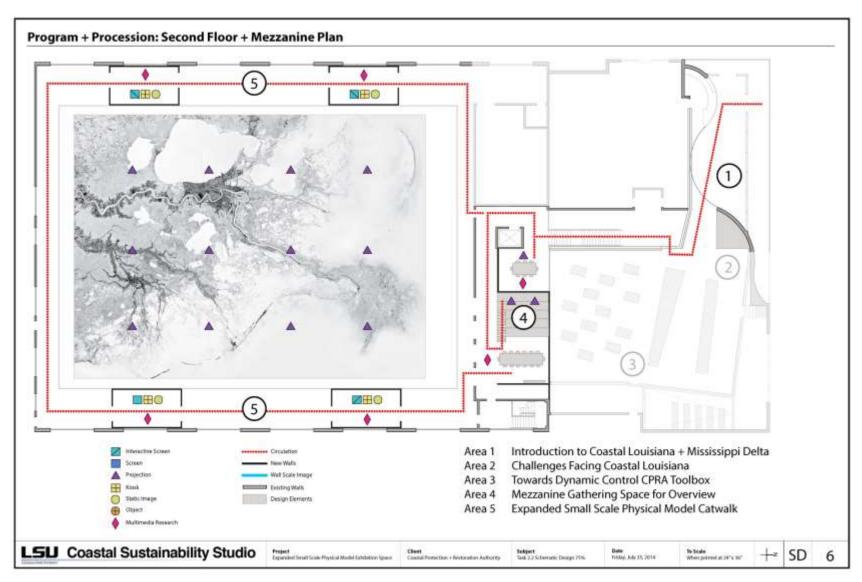














# **Progress to Date**







# Projects Constructed Since Establishment of the Master Plan

Coastal Restoration- January 2008 through FY 15 - 7.5 Years

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	Constructed		Under Construction		Headed to Construction		Anticipated to be bid for construction in FY15		TOTALS	
	#	Total Cost	#	Total Cost	#	Total Cost	#	Total Cost	#	Total Cost
Barrier Island/Headland										
Restoration	9	\$584,426,225	1	\$70,679,580	0	\$0	3	\$368,896,867	13	\$1,024,002,672
Marsh Creation	9	\$156,461,322	5	\$107,271,080	4	\$149,135,706	5	\$93,048,958	23	\$505,917,066
Shoreline Protection	15	\$282,644,251	3	\$42,788,462	0	\$0	3	\$41,411,420	21	\$366,844,133
Hydrologic Restoration	6	\$66,824,678	3	\$6,280,000	0	\$0	4	\$19,444,843	13	\$92,549,521
Diversions	1	\$20,000,000	0	\$0	0	\$0	1	\$20,000,000	2	\$40,000,000
Oyster Barrier Reefs	1	\$1,510,433	0	\$0	0	\$0	1	\$26,500,000	2	\$28,010,433
Other Restoration Projects	4	\$5,057,974	1	\$3,194,355	1	\$13,520,000	2	\$6,968,162	8	\$28,740,491
	45	\$1,116,924,884	13	\$230,213,477	5	\$162,655,706	19	\$576,270,250	82	\$2,086,064,317

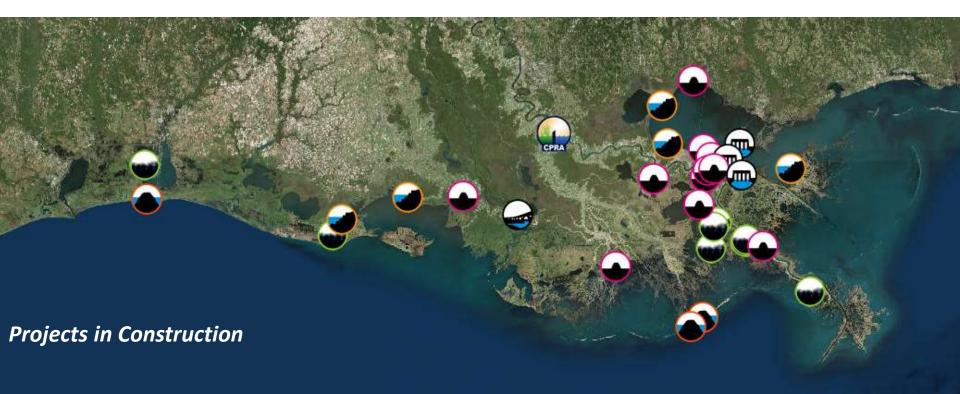
Structural Protection and Infrastructure - January 2008 through FY 15

	Constructed		Under Construction		Headed to Construction		Anticipated to be bid for construction in FY15		TOTALS	
		Total Cost		Total Cost		Total Cost		Total Cost		Total Cost
Greater New Orleans										
Hurrricane Protection System		\$4,984,256,580		\$3,748,755,700		TBD		TBD		\$8,733,012,280
Other Protection Projects	6	\$1,111,764,536	4	\$793,584,101	1	\$438,148,866	7	\$52,682,719	18	\$2,396,180,222
Infrastructure Projects	5	\$53,083,805	0	\$0	2	\$2,361,942	0	\$0	7	\$55,445,747
		\$6,149,104,921		\$4,542,339,801		\$440,510,808		\$52,682,719		\$11,184,638,249

# **Project Hotlist**

Status	Number of Projects	<b>Estimated Total Cost</b>
In Construction	17	\$378M
Headed to Construction	5	\$154M
To be bid in next 6 months	17	\$517M

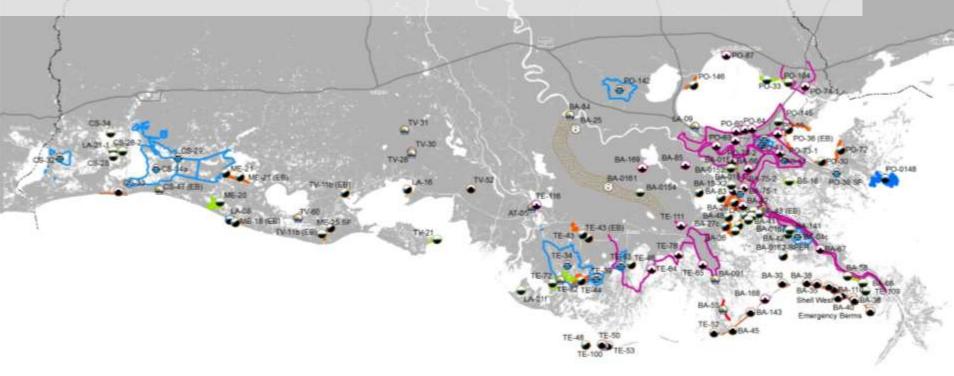
<sup>\*</sup>Table does not include Greater New Orleans Hurricane Protection System





### **Projects Constructed / In Construction**

Coastwide 2008 - FY 2015

















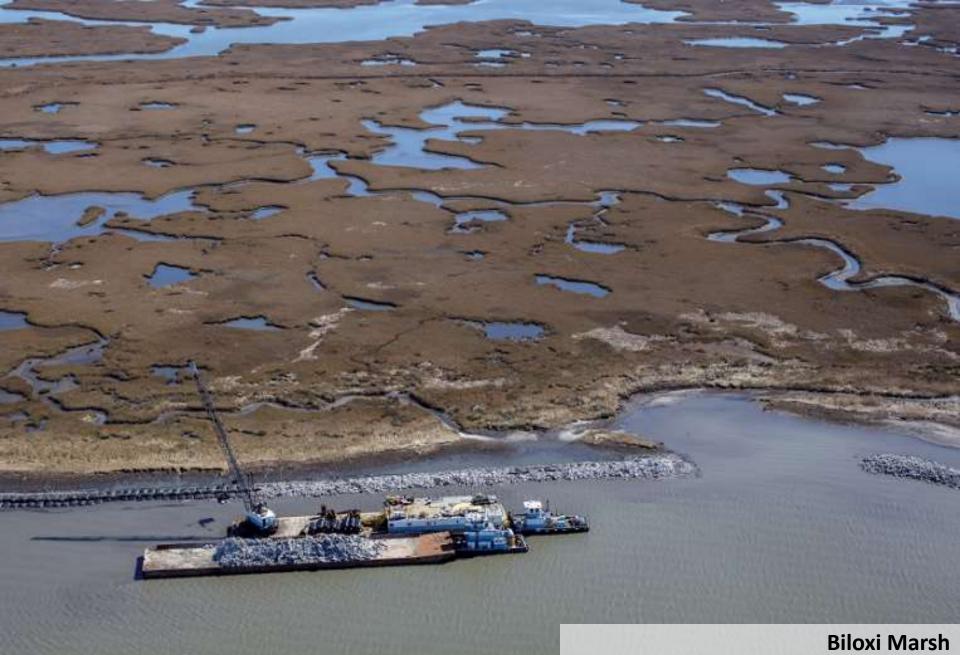










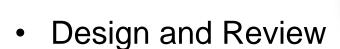


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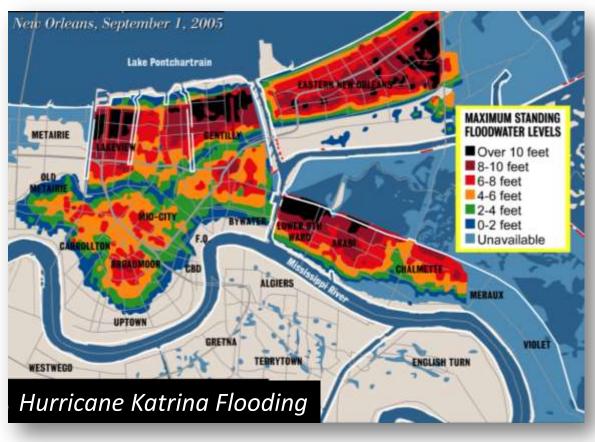
#### **Major Components**

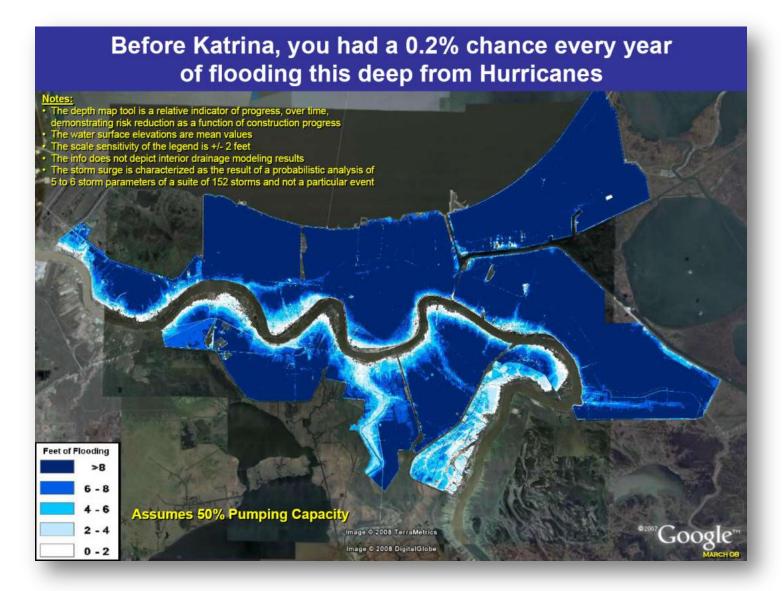
- Levees
- Floodwalls
- Pump Stations
- Sector Gates & Barge Gates
- Locks

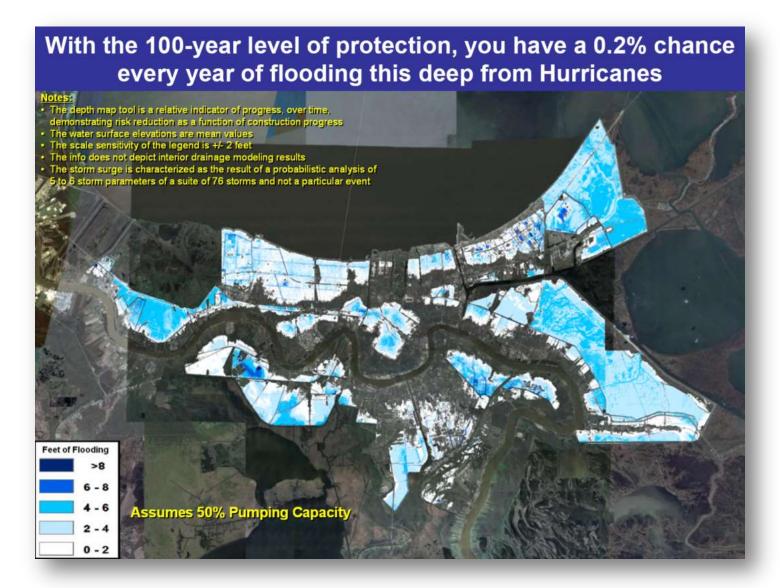
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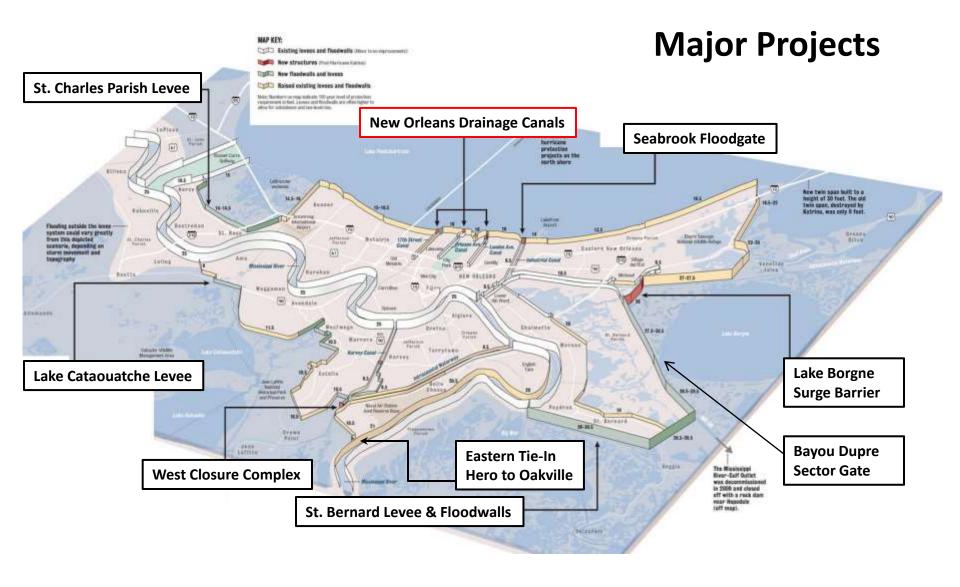


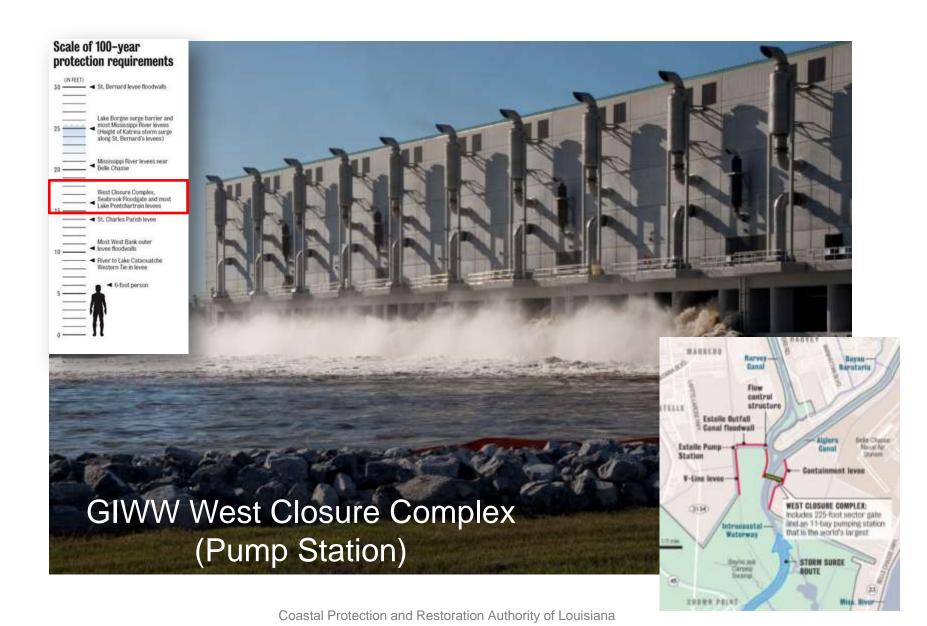
- Construction Oversight & Review
- Levee Inspections
- Emergency Response Teams







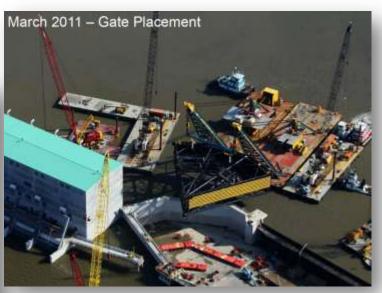




#### **GIWW West Closure Complex**









Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority of Louisiana

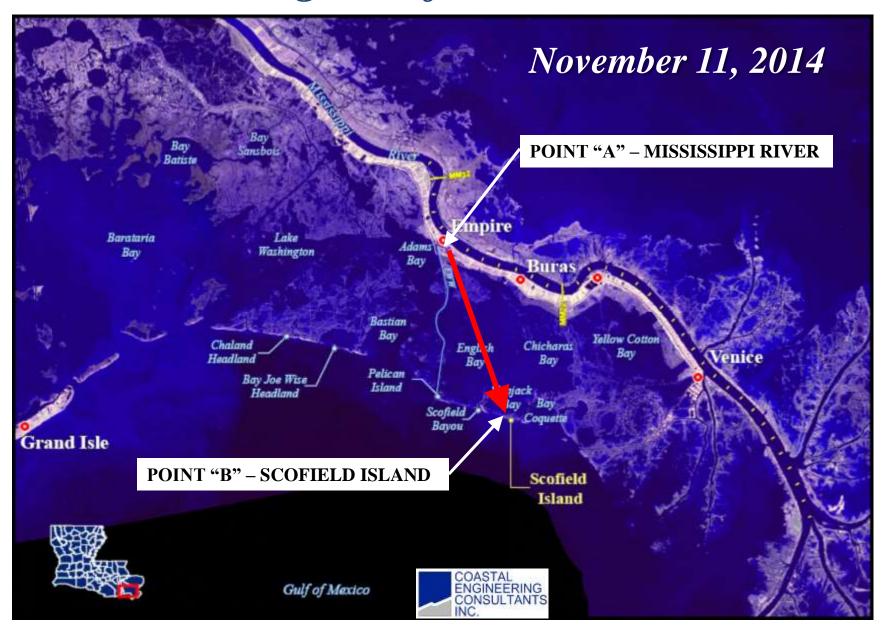




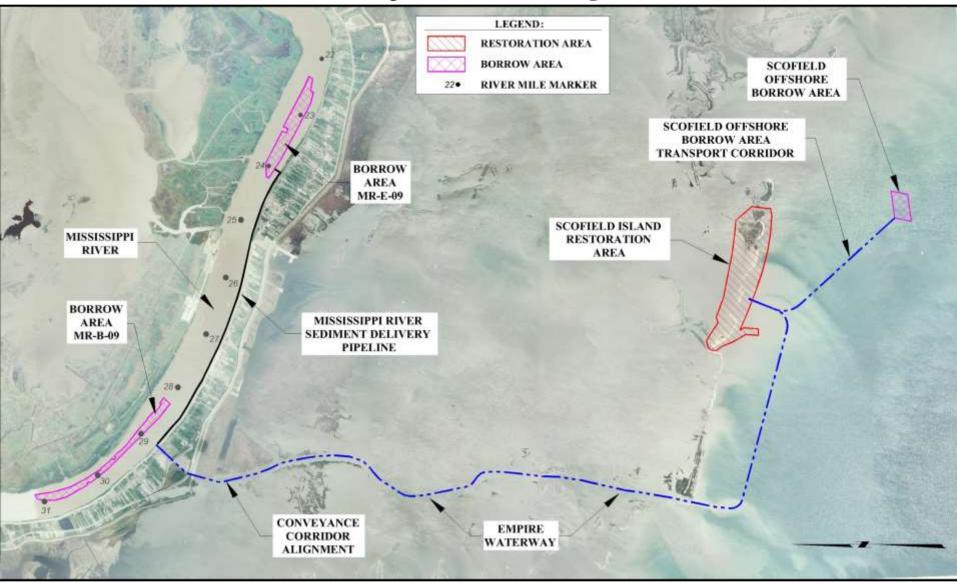




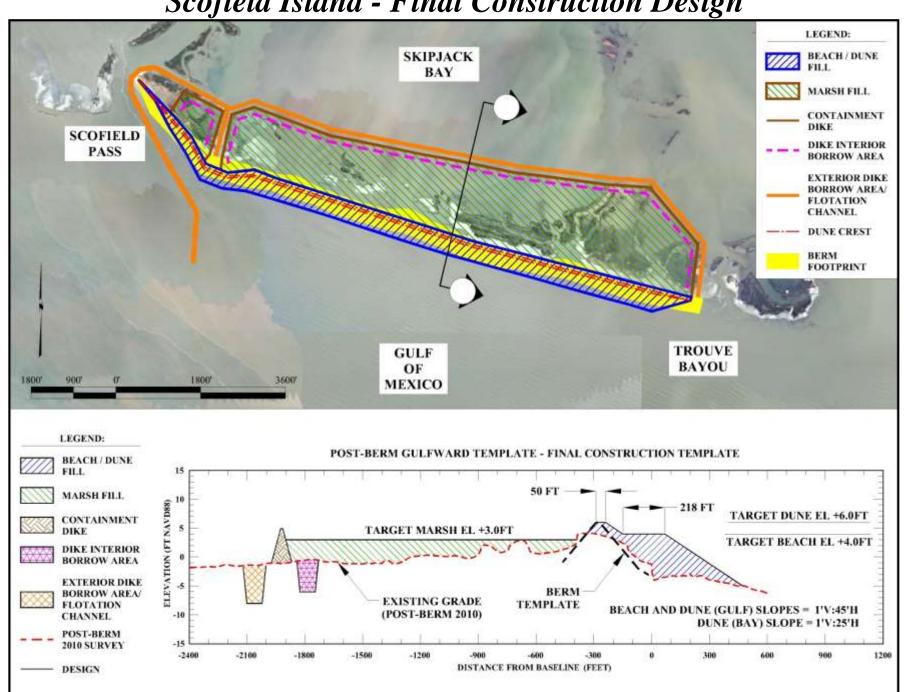
## Riverine Mining / Scofield Island Restoration



# Project Design



Scofield Island - Final Construction Design

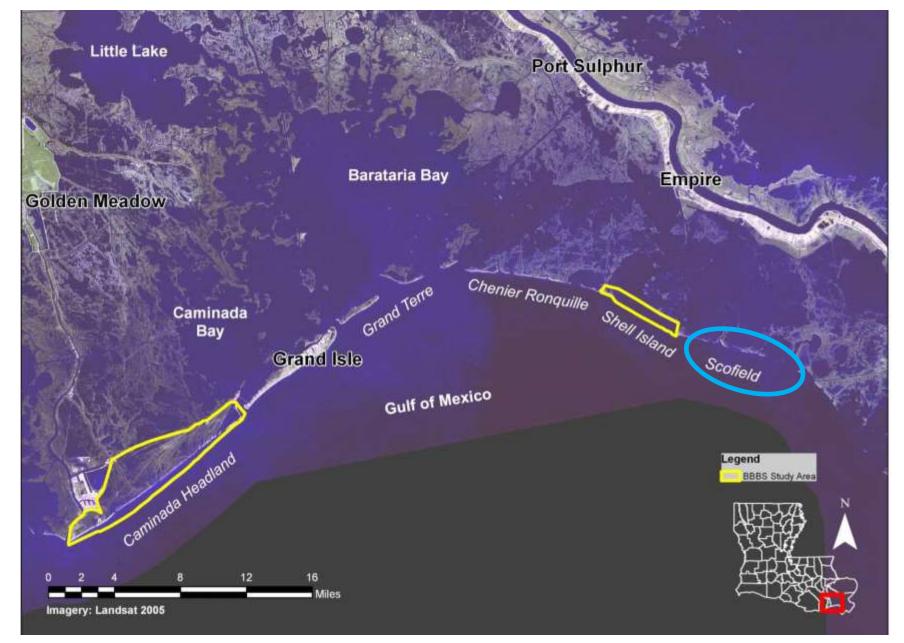


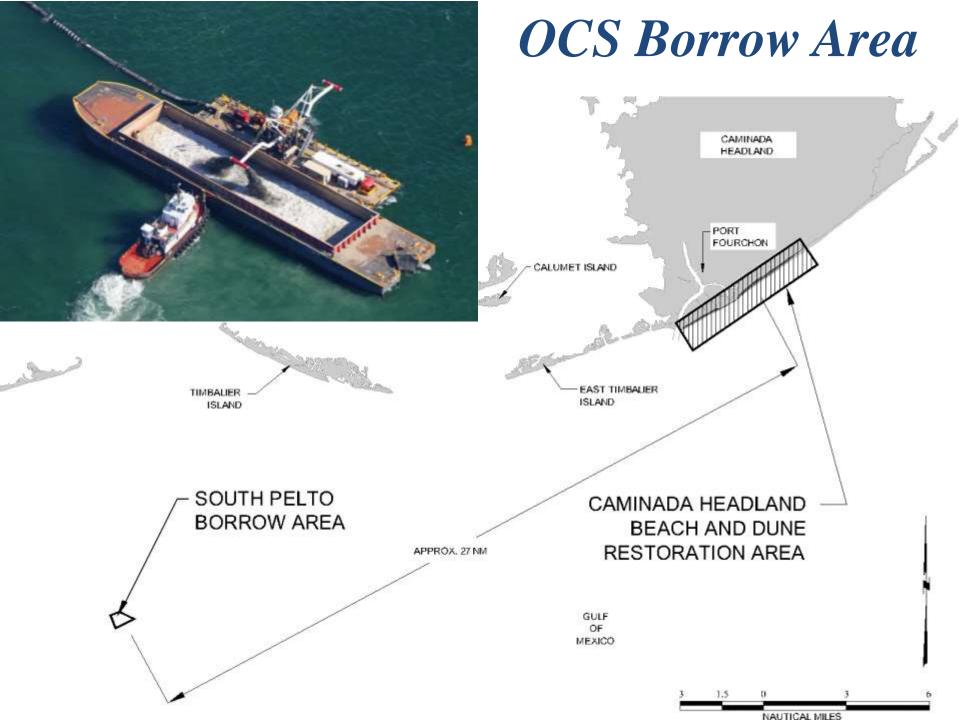
## Lessons Learned

- Stakeholder coordination early and continuously from Plan Formulation through Construction completion
- Sand quality of the Mississippi River performance versus offshore sand source performance
- Flexibility during construction to benefit Project, Owner, and Contractor

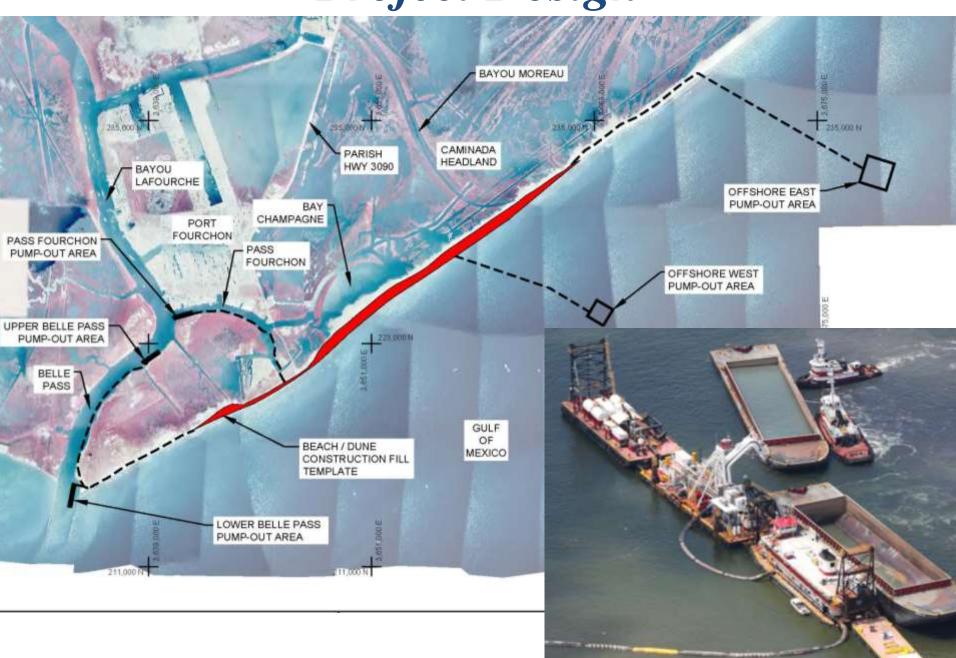


### Caminada Headland Restoration





# Project Design



### Lessons Learned

- Reduce Contractors risk by providing most updated site information possible
- Permit multiple points of access ~
   contractor's can bid projects utilizing
   available dredging equipment
- Reach out to project stakeholders / have open dialogue with regulatory officials
- Expect the unexpected

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