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Outdoors notebook: False River brochure available

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An informational brochure will be available to homeowners and camp owners on False River during the Friday-through-Sunday run of the Harvest Festival in New Roads.

The brochure, as stated by the state Department of Natural Resources release, can help property owners “with ways to help control shoreline erosion as part of the False River Ecosystem Restoration Project. The information provides suggested modifications to ensure a more natural shoreline and to foster aquatic habitat restoration.”

The oxbow lake is in a drawdown phase to help re-establish a more solid bottom structure after years of sediment deposition caused by expansion of the oxbow's watershed in Pointe Coupee Parish.

The information came in a joint effort by Louisiana DNR, the Pointe Coupee Parish Police Jury and the False River Watershed Council, and the brochure entitled “How to Protect and Restore a Natural Shoreline” is available online:

dnr.louisiana.gov/assets/OCM/False_River_Project/2016/Sept_2016/FalseRiverShoreline.pdf

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Hotly debated

The LWFC decided one of the more hotly debated issues by opening a Nov. 1 oyster season in Calcasieu Lake despite LDWF staff recommendation to close the area for a year.

Cameron Parish oyster fishermen gave to the commission evidence showing there were enough oysters on the grounds in the southern portion of the lake to support a season.