

The Local Coastal Program's Outlook



“Welcome to a brand new newsletter focusing on Louisiana parish coastal management issues. The newsletter will be published quarterly. We are proud to launch this new effort that we foresee as an enhancement of our ability to communicate among ourselves and to get the word out on coastal management to our partners and other agency folks. We intend to use this as our “in-house” newspaper. Please send in information you want to see published. As always my local coastal program staff remains ready to assist you in all your coastal management needs.”



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Office of Coastal Management to Host Special Information Meeting for Coastal Parishes

The Interagency Affairs and Support Services Division of the Louisiana Department of Natural Resources' Office of Coastal Management is holding a special information meeting for the coastal parishes regarding federal and state compensatory mitigation in the Louisiana coastal zone and the Federal Coastal Impact Assistance Program application and approval process. Representatives will be speaking from several State and Federal natural resource agencies, including: The Office of Coastal Management, The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, The Office of Coastal Protection and Restoration and The Mineral Management Service. The meeting will be held: Thursday, December 3, 2009, at 10:00 am, downtown Baton Rouge at the LaSalle Building in the first floor's Griffon Room, 617 North Third Street, LaSalle Building; Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70802

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Seven New Marinas Certified as New Louisiana Clean Marinas in Two Parishes

Four marinas in Terrebonne Parish and three marinas in St. Tammany Parish have joined the Louisiana Clean Marina Program. Help promote your parish's marinas and help keep Louisiana waters clean by participating in our Louisiana Clean Marina Program. For a list of Louisiana Clean Marinas see page 3.

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Louisiana's Clean Marinas



The Louisiana Clean Marina Program promotes and celebrates voluntary adoption of measures to assist marinas and recreational boaters in protecting Louisiana's waters. Designated "clean marinas" are recognized as environmentally responsible businesses and enjoy the positive goodwill and positive economic benefits of being able to promote their business as a Louisiana Clean Marina.

Clean Marina Certification is achieved after a marina has met a minimum score on the checklist criteria based on BMP practices or options. Operators conduct self-assessments which will be verified by representatives of the Certification Committee. Certification is maintained through a yearly re-evaluation of marina best management practices.

Louisiana's Clean Marinas will receive a certificate acknowledging their environmentally responsible actions, authorization to use the Louisiana Clean Marina logo on their letterhead and in their advertising, a flag to fly on their property, and promotion by the Clean Marina Initiative in publications, on the World Wide Web, and at public events.

More information on how to become Clean Marina can be found on our website at

<http://dnr.louisiana.gov/cleanmarina>.

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DNR Deputy Secretary Presents Louisiana Clean Marinas Certifications



L – R: DNR Coastal Scientist Manager Linda Pace, Houma Marina Operator David Rabalais, DNR Deputy Secretary Lori LeBlanc, Orleans Marina and South Shore Marina Operator Charles Dixon, DNR Coastal Scientist Jon Truxillo, T-Irv Marina Operator Irvin Carlos, President of Terrebonne Port Authority Dan Davis, DNR Coastal Scientist Supervisor Charles Reulet.

LDNR Deputy Secretary Lori LeBlanc presented program certificates to several marina operators who have been designated and recognized by the state for having a “clean marina”.

Becoming a clean marina means being part of a national program in which marina owners and operators take up best management practices that help protect the environment. Marinas are gateways to sensitive marine habitats that should be free of pollution and should be safe for boaters and citizens.

The program began under current LDNR Secretary Scott Angelle’s tenure. The department’s program goal is to reach every marina in the Louisiana coastal zone, some 50 or so, with the guidebook outlining practices and procedures for participating in the Clean Marina Program.

Pictured in Houma are marina operators from the Houma Downtown Marina David Rabalais, Orleans Marina and South Shore Harbor Charles Dixon, T-Irv’s Marina Irvin Carlos of Dulac. Two other marinas have also been certified but are not shown; Bob’s Bayou Black Marina, Bobby and Lorraine Breaux of Gibson and Four Point Landing’s Laurie Spell of Dulac.

Certified Louisiana Clean Marinas

☐ **Bob’s Bayou Black Marina, Inc.**

Contact: Bobby and Lorraine Breaux
251 Marina Dr.
Gibson, LA 70356
985-575-2315

☐ **The Dock at Slidell**

Contact: Michael Tate
118 Harbor View Court
Slidell, La 70458
504-288-2351

☐ **Four Point Landing**

Contact: Laurie Spell
1171 Four Point Rd.
Dulac, LA 70353
985-563-2878

☐ **Houma Downtown Marina**

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P.O. Box 6097
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985-873-6428

☐ **Marina Beau Chêne**

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☐ **Marina Del Ray**

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100 Marina Del Ray Dr.
Madisonville, La 70447
504-288-2351

☐ **Orleans Marina**

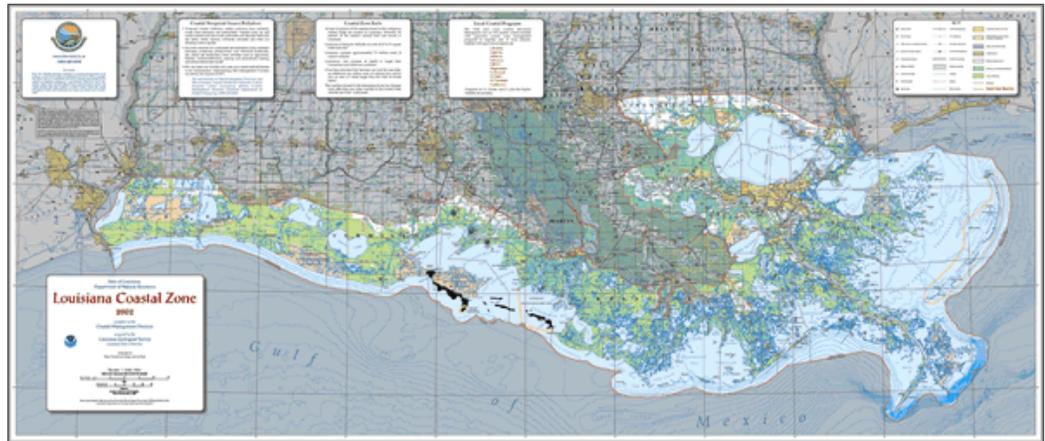
Contact: Charles Dixon
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New Orleans, LA 70124
504-288-2351

☐ **South Shore Harbor Marina**

Contact: Charles Dixon
6701 Stars and Stripes Blvd.
New Orleans, LA 70126
504-245-3152

☐ **T-Irv’s**

Contact: Irvin Carlos
9499 Grand Caillou Rd.
Dulac, LA 70353
985-563-4295



Coastal Zone Boundary Update

The Office of Coastal Management reevaluation of the coastal zone inland boundary continues to make progress, with most of the data sets now acquired and incorporated into a series of GIS layers for spatial analysis. Our workgroup of the Office of Coastal Management, private contractor, and academic staff meet regularly to review data and establish priorities for analysis. Data layers which tentatively appear promising for defining the limits of coastal processes in south Louisiana include LIDAR elevation data, wetlands distribution data, storm surge data and sea level rise estimates. We continue to review other physical and biological data too, and are continuing to seek economic and cultural data sets in a spatial data format, but these have been elusive to date. If any reader has knowledge of useful data sets, please contact the Office of Coastal Management as soon as possible so that they can be considered for inclusion in the study. Please contact Jon Truxillo at LDNR 225-342-3394 or by email jon.truxillo@la.gov if you have any useful data sets.

The coastal zone boundary reevaluation study is a result of a Senate Concurrent Resolution (SCR 60) passed during the regular session of the Louisiana legislature this year. The resolution asked the Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority to study the issue and the CPRA tasked OCM to undertake the project. The project results are scheduled to be presented to the CPRA at the February, 2010 meeting, and after incorporating their comments, a final report is due to the legislature March 10, 2010. Watch for future updates in your LCP newsletter.

Federal Coastal Zone Management Act Update

It's now been 12 years since the CZMA has been reauthorized, and it now looks like the 111th Congress will not reauthorize it either. Although ocean issues are currently prominent in legislation, a comprehensive bill that would reauthorize CZMA appears unlikely this session. Components of what many would like to see in a new CZMA may make their way into other bills, like "cap and trade" or ocean resources bills, but the only possible option for a CZMA reauthorization would be a "straight up" reauthorization of the current act. Please contact Dr. Terry Howey at 225.342.5007 or terry.howey@la.gov for additional information.



The Office of Coastal Management Hosted Special Coastal GIS Training for Coastal Parishes' Resource Professionals on September 15-18, 2009

A two-day intermediate-level course developed by the NOAA Coastal Services Center, called Coastal Applications Using ArcGIS, followed an Introductory ArcGIS course. Exercises in this course addressed a variety of coastal issues using ArcView 9.2 technology. Problem-solving exercises integrating basic GIS topics such as metadata, scale issues, and data formats with real-world scenarios on population growth, sensitive habitats, and marine protected areas were presented.

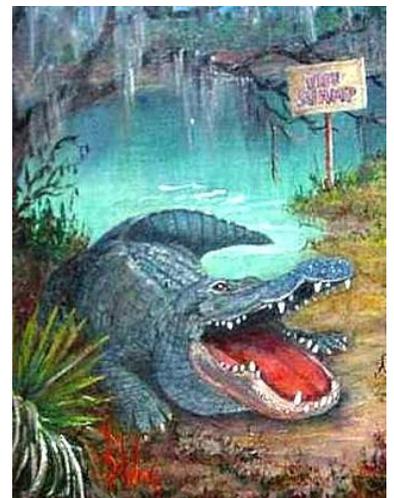
For more information on this and similar course offerings contact Jon Truxillo at LDNR 225-342-3394 or by email jon.truxillo@la.gov.



Coastal Resiliency

“Resilience is the capacity of human and natural/physical systems to adapt to and recover from change. To continue to enjoy living and receiving the benefits coastal areas have to offer, there is a need to make the natural, built, and social environments more resilient. The purpose of self-assessment is to provide community leaders with a simple and inexpensive method of predicting if their community will reach and maintain an acceptable level of functioning and structure after a disaster.”

Stay Tuned for More Information on Coastal Resiliency Efforts in Louisiana Soon to be Forthcoming in Future Newsletters



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