

BTNEP Residents' Guide Series



Residents Guide to Attracting Wildlife

Project Year: 2009

Category: Education

Status: Complete

Project #: None

Location:

Statewide

Project Partners:

LUMCON, EPA

Problem Addressed:

Education may be our most important tool in the fight against coastal land loss. An educated public understands the reason our wetlands are disappearing, knows the impacts to the entire nation, and is aware of the best available tools to restore our coast.

Problem Description:

Since its inception in 1991, BTNEP has produced hundreds of reports, posters, pamphlets, and videos that help to educate the residents of coastal Louisiana and visitors around the world of the importance of our ecology and our culture. Printed materials are used in classrooms around the state, posters hang on the walls of offices across the coast, and videos have aired around the country.

The Barataria-Terrebonne National Estuary Program's Residents' Guide series is a collection of booklets intended to inform and assist citizens in improving their surroundings in a manner that is consistent with the mission of BTNEP. Booklets in the series explain the benefits of using native plant materials to contribute to wildlife habitat, provide best management practices for water quality, describe the most effective options for control and prevention of invasive species, explain the reasons behind coastal land loss and the tools used in restoration, and more. The guides provide information in easy to read booklets written in simple terms to be utilized by the general public.

The publications are for home owners and land owners, professional and do-it-yourself landscapers, sportsmen, boaters, and the general public to deliver factual information on coastal processes and restoration, the impacts from non-native species, methods to prevent the spread of invasives, the benefits of native plants, composting, resource conservation, and other eco-friendly practices.



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