

Barataria-Terrebonne National Estuary Program
Management Conference Agenda - Meeting #61
9:30 a.m. – Tuesday, September 11, 2012
Nicholls State University
Multi-Purpose Room – Ellender Memorial Library

1. **CALL TO ORDER** - 9:30 A.M. – 9:40 A.M.
 - A. Roll Call
 - B. Reading and Approval of Minutes – May 31, 2012 Meeting

2. **PROGRAM ACTIVITIES** - 9:40 A.M. – 9:50 A.M.
 - A. Presentations/Exhibits/Field Trips/ Volunteer Events
 - Bayou St. John Electro Fishing Video – UNO
 - Elmer’s Island Beach Sweep
 - Coastal Development Workshop
 - Bitter Panicum Harvest Volunteer Event – Grand Isle State Park
 - Volunteer planting with America’s Wetland Class Winners – Grand Isle State Park
 - Plover Survey – Grand Isle
 - Trinity Lutheran Bitter Panicum Planting – Grand Isle State Park
 - From H₂O Project – LUMCON
 - Bayou Lafourche Cleanup Presentation
 - Over flight of Barrier Islands
 - Brechtel Park site visit invasive removal
 - NRCS Video shoot on Lake Verret
 - Education Day with Seattle Academy – LUMCON
 - Bird Banding – Grand Isle
 - Seattle Academy/Bayou Grace spartina alterniflora planting – Fifi Island
 - LEAD Camp – LUMCON
 - ESCLA/Bayou Grace Climbing Yams Invasive Removal – The Nature Conservancy Property, Grand Isle
 - Tarpon Rodeo – Grand Isle
 - L.E. Fletcher Community College
 - Wine Island Review
 - Scouting for filming of invasive species television show
 - Parkway Partners Community Group – New Orleans
 - St. Joseph Elementary School Presentation – Thibodaux
 - DukeEngage/Bayou Grace NSU Farm Shadehouse Work Day
 - Trinity Lutheran/Bayou Grace NSU Farm Shadehouse Work Day
 - Seattle Academy/Bayou Grace Golden Meadow PMC Spartina Harvest
 - SLWDC Camp/DukeEngage/Bayou Grace Panicum Planting –Grand Isle State Park
 - Bayou Grace NSU Farm Shadehouse Work Day
 - WETSHOP
 - Mentoring of Significant Opportunities in Atmospheric Research and Science (SOARS) internship students in June and July
 - Presentation of BTNEP issues to SOARS internship students

B. Media Coverage of BTNEP (As of August 14, 2012)

Daily Comet (Thibodaux, LA)

- *"Pipeline won't help restore Lafourche,"* - June 13, 2012
- *"Alien species found in Bayou Lafourche,"* – June 16, 2012
- *"Local kids mix fun and culture at Wetlands Camp,"* - June 19, 2012
- *"5 Volunteer efforts that need your time – 'Help save the Coast'"* – June 24, 2012
- *"Rat Bastards': New show highlights serious problem,"* –July 30, 2012
- *"State aims to curb spread of invasive species,"* – August 7, 2012

The Advocate (Baton Rouge, LA)

- *"Paddlers paddle Bayou Lafourche,"* - April 26, 2012
- *"Coastal pest becomes pet treat"*
- *"Take time to notice summer days,"* - June 1, 2012
- *"Care urged for nesting shorebirds" – July 4, 2012*
- *"Islands' fate focus of exhibit" – July 23, 2012*
- *"Coastal pest becomes pet treat" - July 15, 2012*

The Courier (Houma, LA)

- *"Nutria control goes to the dogs,"* - May 16, 2012
- *"Alien species found in Bayou Lafourche,"* – June 16, 2012
- *"Local kids mix fun and culture at Wetlands Camp,"* - June 19, 2012
- *"5 Volunteer efforts that need your time – 'Help save the Coast'"* – June 24, 2012
- *"Toothy Amazonian fish caught in Bayou Lafourche,"* - June 25, 2012

The Daily Review (Morgan City, LA)

- *"Morgan City approves upgrade of computer systems,"* –mention of La Fete d'Ecologie as part of article – July 28, 2012

The Lafourche Gazette (Larose, LA)

- *"18 tons of trash removed from Bayou Lafourche in three hours,"* - May 20, 2012
- *"CZM does about-face on pipeline project,"* – July 22, 2012

The Times-Picayune (New Orleans, LA)

- Inside Info – *"Parkway partners second Saturday,"* presentation on Invasive Species

The News-Star (Monroe, LA)

- *"Toothy Amazonian fish caught in Bayou Lafourche,"* June 25, 2012

The Daily Iberian (New Iberia, LA)

- *"Toothy Amazonian fish caught in Bayou Lafourche,"* June 25, 2012

Tri-Parish Times (Houma, LA)

- *"Volunteers work to clean the sands of Elmer's Island,"* - June 13, 2012
- *"Bill aims to change mitigation standards,"* – June 12, 2012

The American Press (Lake Charles, LA)

- *"Toothy Amazonian fish caught in Bayou Lafourche,"* - June 25, 2012

The Assumption Pioneer (Napoleonville, LA)

- *"Police Jury Receives Update on Bayou Lafourche Cleaning Project,"* - June 21, 2012

Bayou Journal (Pierre Part, LA)

- *"Bayou Lafourche event draws 150 paddlers,"* - May 1, 2012

NOLA.com (New Orleans)

- *"Elmer's Island Beach, Sweep needs help,"* - May 20, 2012

Fox 8 News website (New Orleans, LA)

- *"Warm winter contributing to growing problem in water,"* - May 25, 2012

WWLTV.com (New Orleans, LA)

- *“Invasive plants clogging up vital bayou waterway, drinking water source,”* – May 18, 2012

NOLA Defender (New Orleans, LA)

- *“Nutria dog biscuits chew into New Orleans,”* - June 14, 2012

Thibodaux Chamber Insight Newsletter

- *“Wetlands Camp,”* - May 24, 2012

LSTA Newsletter LASER

- *“18 tons of trash removed from Bayou Lafourche in three hours,”* - June 2012

DIG (Baton Rouge, LA)

- *“Local business solves Nutria problem with all-natural dog treats,”* – July 5, 2012

The Outdoor Wire

- *“Public asked to give birds a break during national fishing and boating week,”* - June 6, 2012

The IND.com (Lafayette, LA)

- *“Louisiana dog treat recipe: Don’t forget to add nutria,”* – July 16, 2012

GoErie.com (Erie, PA)

- *“Toothy Amazonian fish caught in Bayou Lafourche,”* – June 26, 2012

Other Interviews:

- KTIB 640AM Radio, general interview involving BTNEP projects – Joe Dantin
- Reuter’s News, “Lasting impact of the Deepwater Horizon Spill” – Kerry St. Pe’
- The Houma Courier, “New changes to DWF regulation on apple snails and Rio Grande cichlids

C. Meetings

- Terrebonne Parish Sediment Transport Project – Kerry St. Pe’
- Bayou Terrebonne RC&D – Alma Robichaux, Andrew Barron
- Lafourche Parish Game and Fish Commission – Joe Dantin
- Assumption Parish – Presentation on Bayou Lafourche Cleanup – Alma Robichaux
- Department of Natural Resources – Kerry St. Pe’
- Coastal Restoration Residence Guide – Michael Massimi
- Gulf of Mexico Alliance – Kerry St. Pe’, Alma Robichaux
- Half Yard Productions – Michael Massimi
- National Geographic – Michael Massimi
- Environmental Indicator Report – Richard DeMay, Dean Blanchard, Jaken Frasier
- Bayou Terrebonne Resource Conservation and Development – Alma Robichaux
- CWPPRA Outreach Team Meeting - Alma Robichaux
- Master Naturalist Program Curricular Development – Michael Massimi
- EPA Marine Debris Study – Alma Robichaux
- Master Plan Framework Development Team – Kerry St. Pe’, Michael Massimi
- Terrebonne Coastal Zone Management & Restoration Advisory Committee – Matt Benoit
- South Louisiana Wetlands Discovery Center Board Meeting – Alma Robichaux
- Ocean Research Advisory Panel (ORAP) – Kerry St. Pe’
- LCA-Medium Diversion w/Dedicated Dredging at Myrtle Grove (MDMG) – Andrew Barron
- Spahr’s Seafood 2nd Annual “Gulf” Tournament Meeting – Kerry St. Pe’, Dean Blanchard

- Follow-up meeting with Dr. Kris Peterson, UNO, to discuss SOARS internship program – Andrew Barron
- D. Projects Initiated
- Content development for 2014 Bird Calendar
 - “Design and Layout of the 2013 Tidal Graph Calendar” Contractor: deGravelles and Associates, Public Relations and Advertising
 - “Illustration of the 2013 Tidal Graph Calendar” Contractor: DIANE BAKER DESIGN
3. **SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING DATE** – 9:50 A.M. – 9:55 A.M.
- Suggested Date - Wednesday, December 5, 2012
4. **DISCUSSION ITEMS** – 10:00 A.M. – 11:55 A.M.
- A. Davis Pond Freshwater Diversion – Status of MR&T Project and LCA Study – Danny Wiegand (20 minutes)
 - B. Louisiana’s Coastal Management Boundary Change – Dave Fruge (20 minutes)
 - C. LCA Medium Diversion at Myrtle Grove with Dedicated Dredging Project Update, Andrew MacInnes (20 minutes)
 - D. Righteous Fur Update – Cree McCree (15 minutes)
 - E. Status of Terrebonne Bay Shoreline Protection Demonstration Project TE-45 - Earl Melancon (30 minutes)
5. **New Business**
6. **Adjourn**