

2025 GULF COAST – HOUMA SESSION

Location: Courtyard by Marriott – 142 Library Rd.

Date: March 27-March 29, 2025



Agenda Items

Thursday, March 27	5:30 PM	Meet in Lobby to get nametags – carpool to reception
	6:00-7:30 PM	Opening Reception: Bayou Terrebonne Distillers 843 W. Main St. (Dress: business casual)
Friday, March 28	7:45-8:45 AM	Buffet Breakfast – Courtyard by Marriott – Couture Room – Parlor C
	8:45- AM	Announcements and Packet Overview
	9:00 AM	Welcome and Regional Overview <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Jason Bergeron, Parish President, Terrebonne ('17 Alum)</i>
	9:30 AM	Coastal Wetlands Loss, Restoration and Protection Efforts <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Simone Maloz, Campaign Director, Restore the Mississippi River Delta ('08 Alum)</i>• <i>Greg Grandy, Coastal Resources Administrator, Louisiana Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority</i>
	10:30 AM	Break

- 10:45 AM 20 Years Since Katrina: Lessons Learned and Hopefully not Lost
- *Windell Curole, Retired Director, South Lafourche Levee District ('02 Alum)*
- 11:10 AM Load Bus to travel to Port Fourchon/Gulf Guides to coastal region economy, geography & culture,
- *Stevie Smith, Sr. Vice President, All South Consulting and Engineering; Past Chairman and Member, LCTCS Board of Trustees ('02 Alum)*
 - *Windell Curole, Retired Director, South Lafourche Levee District ('02 Alum)*
- 12:15 PM Lunch Stop: LaRose Regional Park
- 1:00/15 PM Continue LA 1 bus trip to Gulf of Mexico
- 2:15 PM Greater Lafourche Port Commission/Port Fourchon
- *Chet Chiasson, Port Director ('09 Alum) (3:00/30 load bus for Port Tour)*
- 4:00/15 Head to Grand Isle – Tour and Beach Photo
- 4:30/45 PM Arrive at Camp of Stevie Smith (The Big Banana):
- Crawfish/shrimp boil @5:30pm
- 6:30/45 PM Load bus, return to hotel...down the bayou storytelling
- Saturday, March 29
- 7:45-8:45 AM Buffet Breakfast – Bar area in lobby of hotel
- 9:00 AM Depart Hotel and head to **LUMCON** (go in your own car. 335 Dickson Road, Houma, LA 70363. Also, see link in email.)
- 9:30-10:00 AM Welcome to LUMCON and Tour
- *Dr. Brian Roberts, Director and Chief Scientist, LUMCON ('24 Alum)*
- 10:00 AM Louisiana's Role in Climate Science

- Beaux Jones, CEO, Water Institute of the Gulf ('24 Alum)

11:00 AM Class Discussion and Photo Tour Around Louisiana

12:00 PM Adjourn – *Have a safe trip home!*

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