Hurricane Rita

Storm Surge Recovery and Challenges

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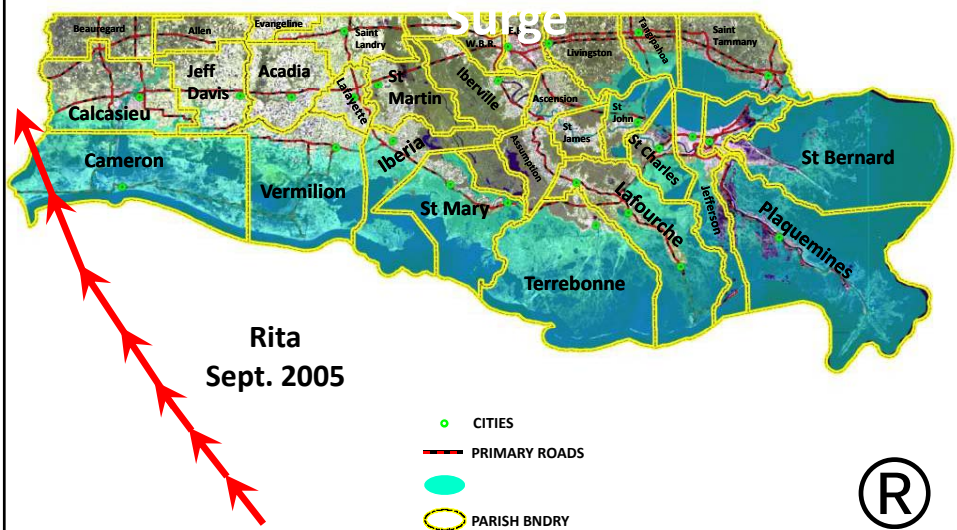
Hurricane Rita Storm Surge



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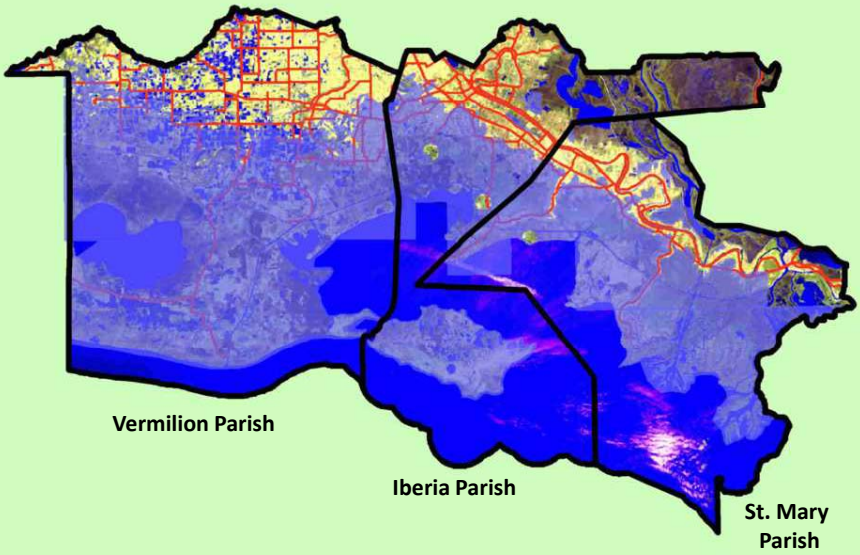

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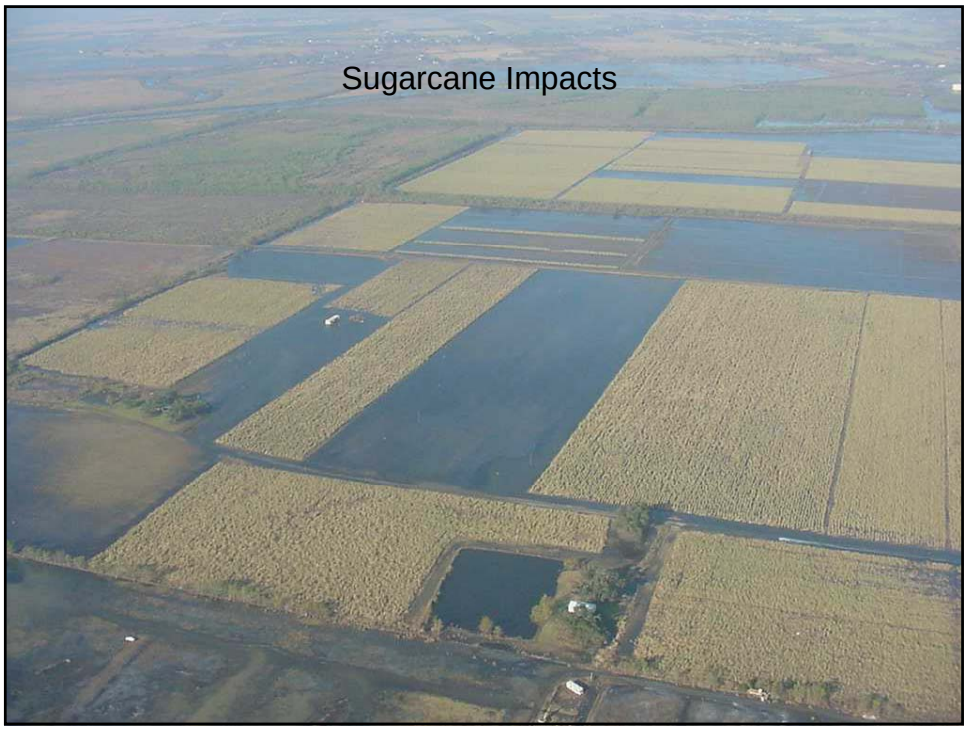

Salinity Issues

Henry

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Marsh Camp destruction

Delcambre area pastures

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Delcambre Main Street

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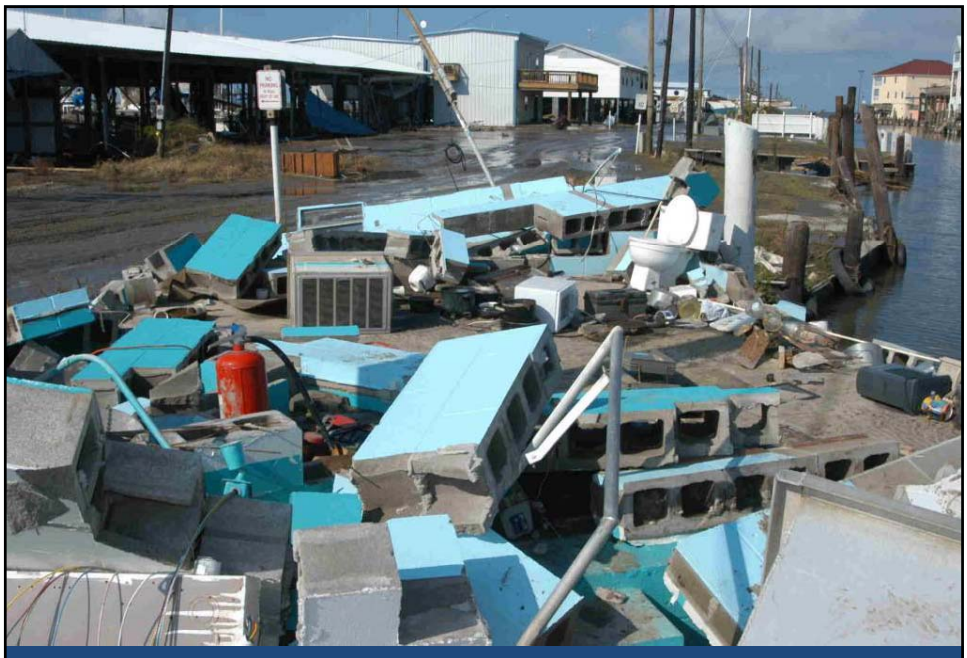
Delcambre Waterfront flooded

Delcambre Fuel Dock

Intracoastal City



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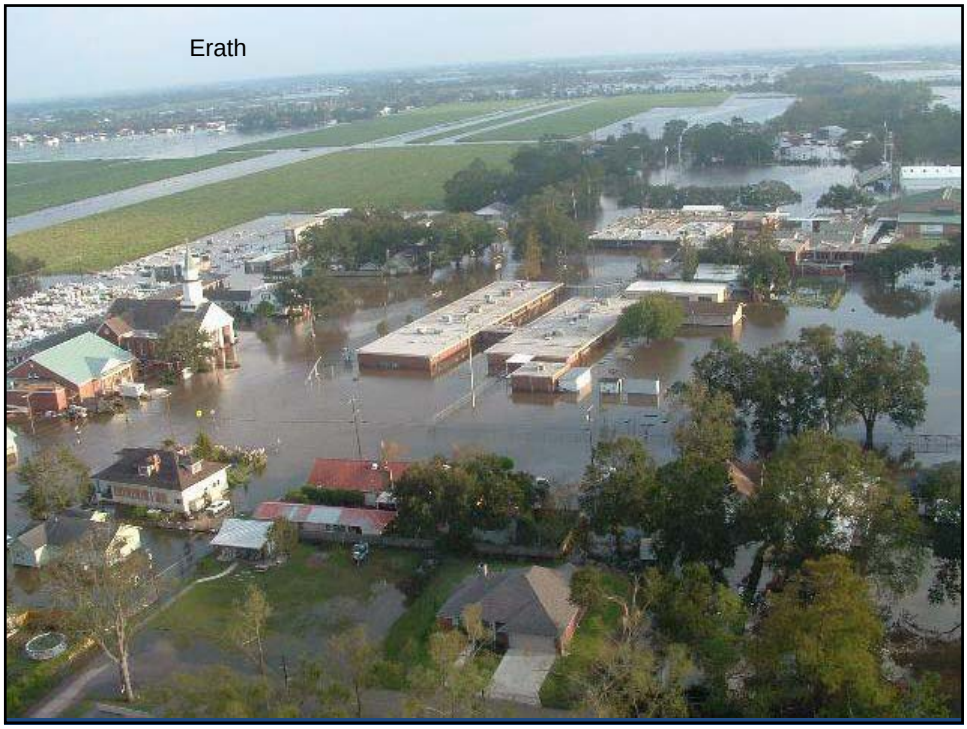
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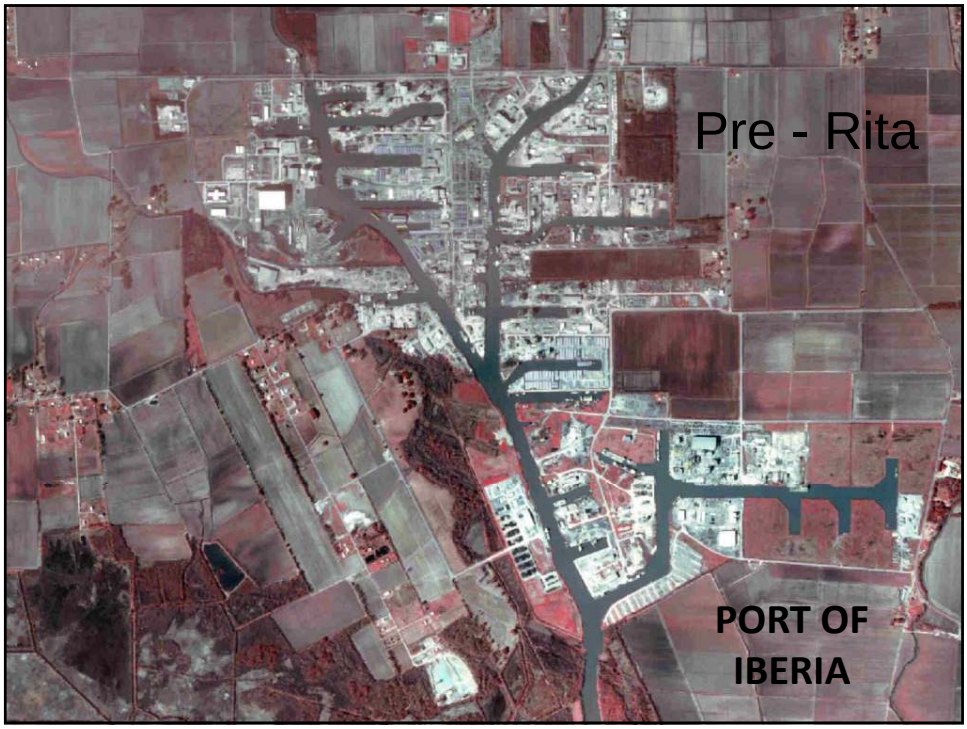
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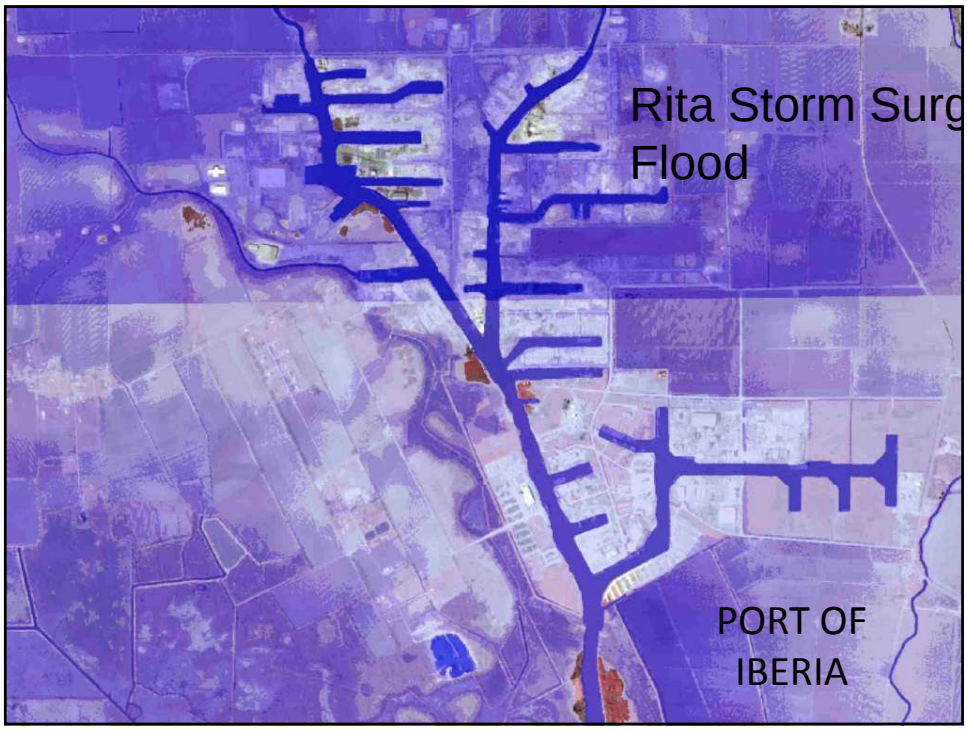
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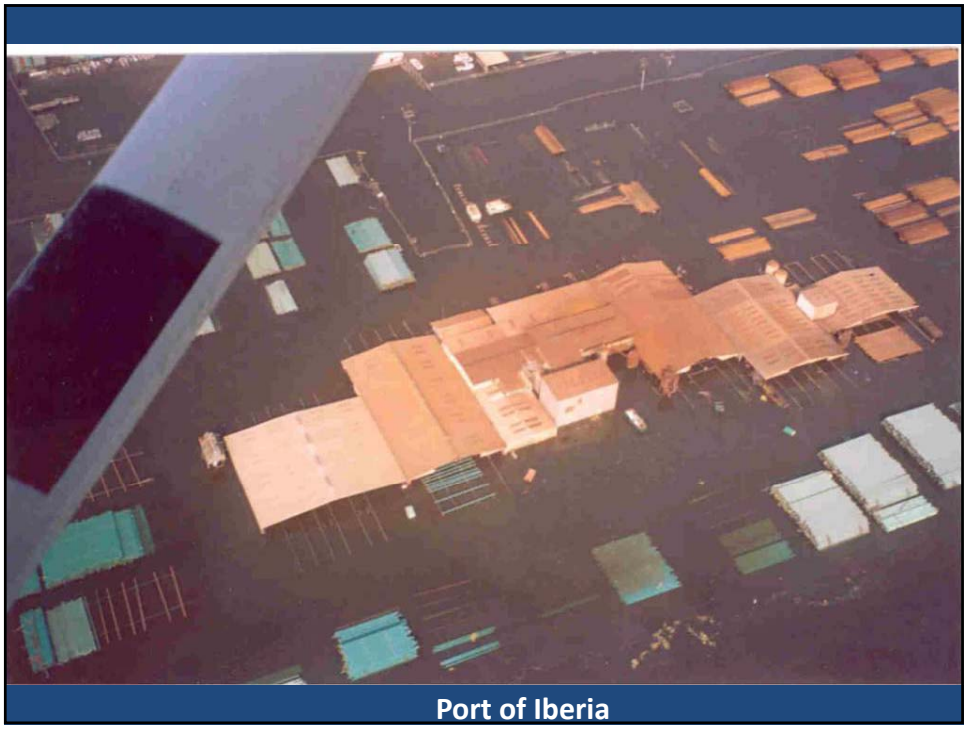

Port of Iberia

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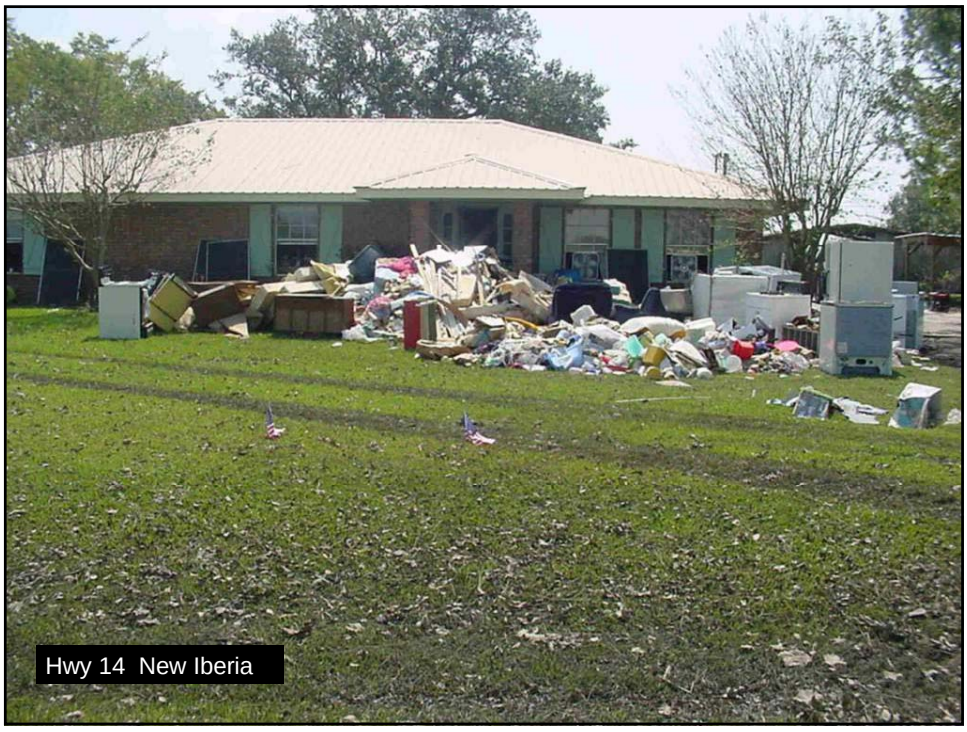
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Hurricane Ike Storm Surge

Lifted after Rita

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Recovery efforts

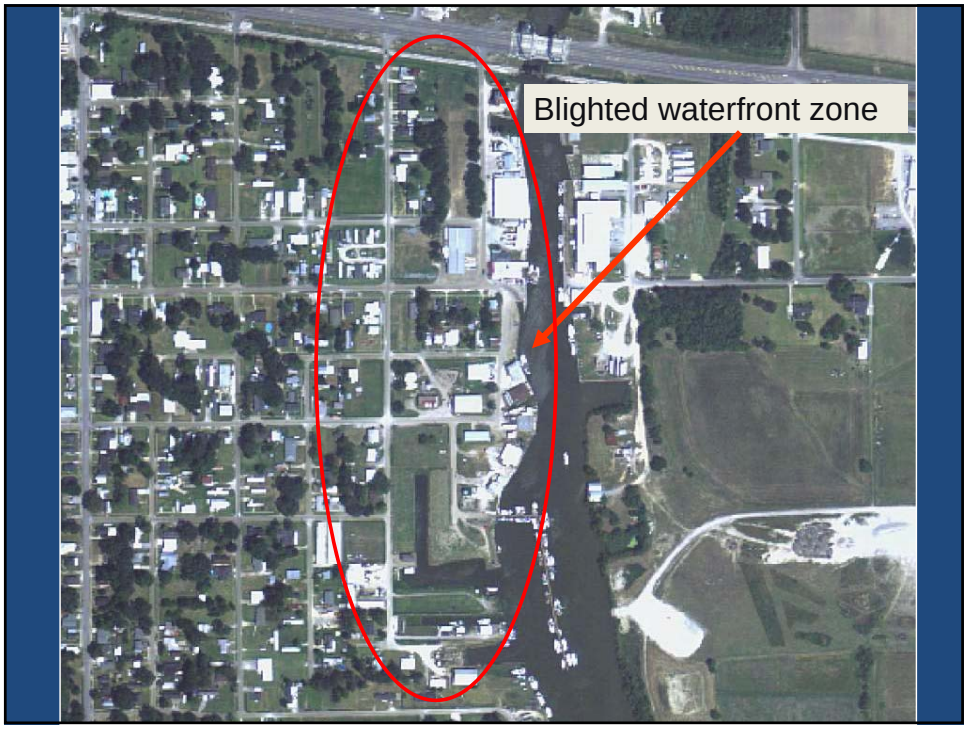

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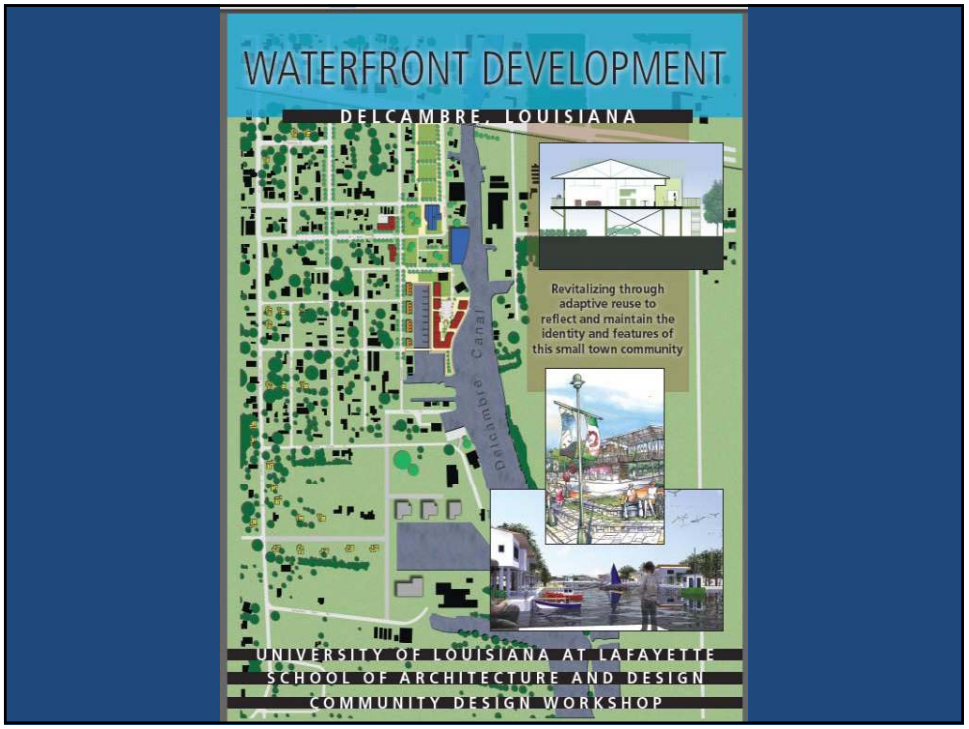
Figure 69: Conceptual Masterplan Option 1.

Figure 70: Conceptual Masterplan Option 2.



View of New Residential Waterfront Properties

New water inlets allows boat parking directly under homes.

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Unfunded long term recovery

• Vermilion parish	$ 42 M
• St Mary parish	$ 35 M
• Iberia parish	$ 16 M
• Iberia Vermilion elevation	$ 20 M
• Vermilion Southwest coastal plan	$ 200 M
• Delcambre Recovery Project	$ 20 M
• Total	$ 333 M