

# St. Charles Parish

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Parish President's Report

March 2, 2026

President Matthew Jewell



# LABRANCHE MARSH CREATION & SHORELINE PROTECTION

BARRIER ISLAND, SHORELINE PROTECTION, & MARSH CREATION

## LABRANCHE MARSH CREATION & SHORELINE PROTECTION

**FY 2027 STATUS:**

COMPLETE

**FUNDING SOURCE:**

CWPPRA, STATE

**ESTIMATED COST:**

\$81.4 MILLION

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Rock placements for LaBranche Shoreline Protection



"Great progress is being made in St. Charles Parish to protect our residents, our marsh, and our environment from future storms. I extend my sincere appreciation to CPRA and all of our partners whose hard work made this project possible."

Matthew Jewell, St. Charles Parish President and CPRA Board member



Located along the southwestern shoreline of Lake Pontchartrain in St. Charles Parish, the LaBranche wetlands form a vital component of Louisiana's multiple lines of defense, buffering storm surge, protecting critical transportation corridors, and supporting rich fish and wildlife habitat. Decades of hydrologic alteration, including historical dredging and construction of I-10, contributed to significant land loss throughout the area. In response, CPRA and St. Charles Parish have advanced a series of complementary restoration and protection projects aimed at stabilizing the shoreline, rebuilding lost wetlands, and strengthening long-term community resilience.

### LABRANCHE MARSH CREATION

The LaBranche Marsh Creation Project restored critical wetland habitat along this rapidly changing shoreline. Implemented in three phases, the project used dredged material from Lake Pontchartrain to construct approximately 1,470 acres of new emergent marsh, improving water quality and enhancing habitat for fish and wildlife.

Completed in late 2024, the restored marsh platform helps reinforce the region's multiple lines of defense by creating a natural buffer for nearby communities and protecting essential infrastructure, including the I-10 hurricane evacuation route.

### LABRANCHE SHORELINE PROTECTION

The LaBranche Shoreline Protection Project delivers long-term defense against erosion along roughly 13,000 feet of the Lake Pontchartrain shoreline. A rock breakwater system reduces wave energy, stabilizes the shoreline, and protects valuable intertidal habitat that has historically eroded by nearly 10 feet per year.

Completed in August 2025, this \$24 million investment continues to perform as intended, bolstering the resilience of the LaBranche shoreline and supporting the long-term health of adjacent wetlands. The project also aligns with priorities outlined in the St. Charles SHIELD Plan: Stabilizing Habitats through Infrastructure, Ecology, and Land Defense, reinforcing shared goals for ecosystem restoration and community protection.



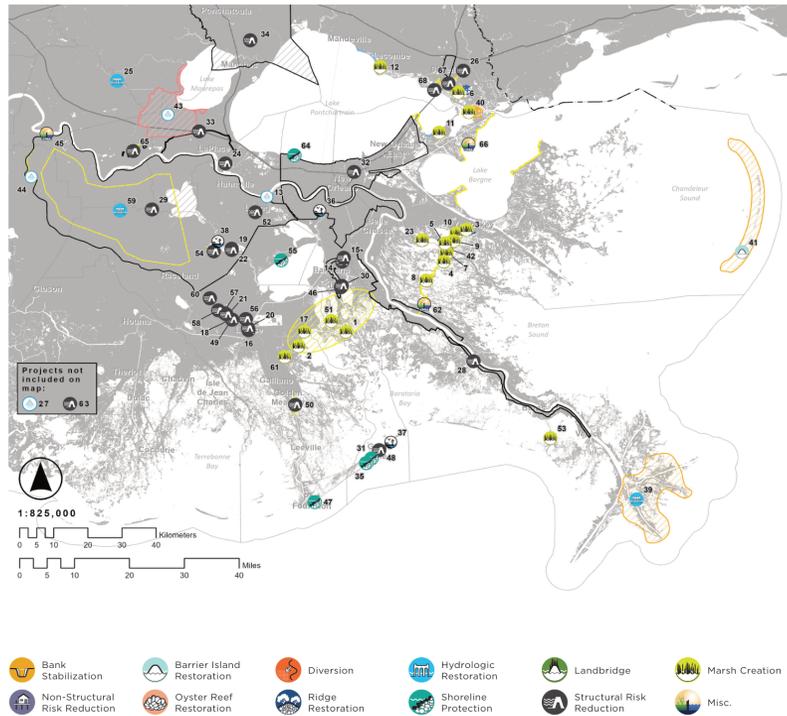
LaBranche Marsh Creation

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# ACTIVE PROJECTS IN FY 2027 - SOUTHEAST REGION

FISCAL YEAR 2027

MAP 3: ACTIVE PROJECTS IN FY 2027 - SOUTHEAST REGION



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TABLE 10: ACTIVE PROJECTS IN FY 2027 - SOUTHEAST REGION

Map ID	Project Name	Active Phase FY 2027	Total Project Value
<b>CWPPRA PHASE I PROJECTS</b>			
1	Northeast Turtle Bay Marsh Creation Extension	E&D	\$37,207,763
2	Northwest Little Lake Extension	E&D	\$32,119,728
3	Ysloskey Marsh Creation	E&D	\$44,076,793
4	South Delacroix Marsh Creation	E&D	\$46,666,731
5	Wood Lake - East Lake Lery Restoration	E&D	\$35,043,944
6	Fritchie Marsh Creation & Terracing	E&D	\$29,867,440
<b>CWPPRA PHASE II PROJECTS</b>			
7	East Delacroix Marsh Creation & Terracing	CON	\$37,816,153
8	Breton Landbridge Marsh Creation (West)	CON	\$36,413,043
9	North Delacroix Marsh Creation & Terracing	E&D	\$42,171,706
10	Reggio Marsh Creation & Hydrologic Restoration	CON	\$33,638,137
11	St. Catherine Island Marsh Creation & Shoreline Protection	CON	\$25,324,715
12	Bayou Cane Marsh Creation	CON	\$31,600,635
<b>WRDA PROJECTS</b>			
13	LCA Modification of Davis Pond Diversion	PLN	\$3,000,000
<b>STATE-ONLY PROJECTS</b>			
14	Rosethorne Tidal Protection	CON	\$24,930,787
15	Crown Point Tidal Protection	CON	\$59,478,146
16	Ted Gisclair Lock Structure	CON	\$5,000,000
17	Northwest Little Lake Marsh Creation Increment 2	CON	\$38,000,000
18	MTG Levee Improvements - NLLD	CON	\$5,000,000
19	St. Charles Parish Crawford Canal/Sunset Pump Station	CON	\$6,000,000
20	Industrial Park Avenue Improvements	CON	\$1,250,000
21	UBRR Reach G/Reach H, Haul Road	CON	\$1,035,486
22	Sunset Pump Station Upgrade - Frontal Protection	CON	\$5,500,000
23	Lake Lery Marsh & Rim Restoration	CON	\$3,500,000
24	Montz Pump Station	CON	\$11,624,938
25	Amite River Diversion Canal Swamp Restoration	E&D	\$3,000,000
26	Military Road Flood Risk Reduction & Coastal Resilience	E&D	\$1,500,000
27	Upper Mississippi River Diversion Program	PLN	\$2,000,000
<b>HSRRS &amp; OTHER FEDERAL PROTECTION PROJECTS</b>			
28	New Orleans to Venice	CON	\$1,301,523,760
29	Upper Barataria Flood Risk Management	E&D	\$3,000,000
30	Lafitte Area Flood Risk Feasibility Study	PLN	\$3,000,000
31	Grand Isle Shoreline	CON	\$42,000,000
32	SELA - Overall	CON	\$1,170,974,586
33	West Shore-Lake Pontchartrain, Louisiana Hurricane Protection	CON	\$760,000,000
34	Tangipahoa Feasibility Study	PLN	\$3,000,000
35	Grand Isle Breakwaters	CON	\$62,000,000

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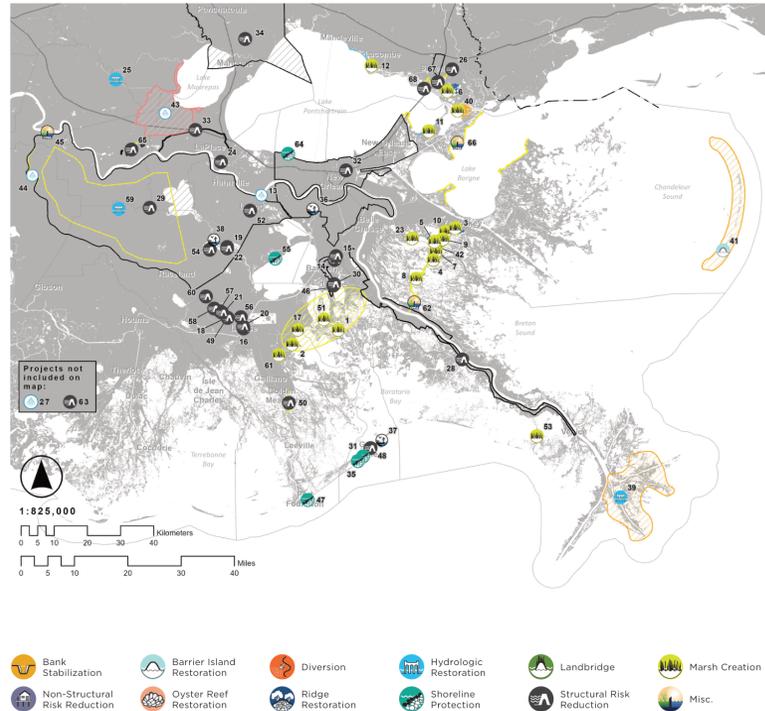


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Map ID	Project Name	Active Phase FY 2027	Total Project Value
<b>DEEPWATER HORIZON NRDA PROJECTS</b>			
36	Bayou Segnette State Park Improvements	CON	\$2,126,724
37	Grand Isle State Park Improvements	CON	\$6,126,967
38	Des Allemands Boat Launch	CON	\$1,841,111
39	Bird's Foot Delta Hydrologic Restoration	E&D	\$165,000,000
40	East Orleans Landbridge Restoration	E&D	\$112,000,000
41	Chandeleur Island Restoration Project	CON	\$382,950,000
<b>RESTORE PROJECTS</b>			
42	Lake Lery Marsh Creation (Phase 2)	CON	\$3,081,000
43	River Reintroduction into Maurepas Swamp	CON	\$199,854,326
<b>GOMESA PROJECTS</b>			
44	Mississippi River Reintroduction into Bayou Lafourche (BLFWD)	CON	\$16,000,000
45	Pumping Capacity Improvements Phase 1	CON	\$96,474,202
46	Goose Bayou Tidal Protection	CON	\$20,213,854
47	Port Fourchon Shoreline Protection	CON	\$2,000,000
48	Grand Isle Back Levee	E&D	\$2,000,000
49	MTG Eastern Tie-in Levee Improvements	CON	\$10,719,567
50	Section A East Increment Improvement	CON	\$7,059,679
51	Barataria Basin Landbridge Restoration Program	E&D	\$3,000,000
52	St. Charles Cousins Pump Station (UBRR)	CON	\$16,826,806
53	Barataria Basin Ridge & Marsh Creation - Spanish Pass Increment 2	E&D	\$2,000,000
54	Bayou Des Allemands Floodgate	CON	\$91,561,788
55	Lake Salvador Shoreline Protection	E&D	\$4,000,000
56	Reach 1 Lockport to Larose (NLLD)	CON	\$11,776,375
57	Valentine Pump Station (NLLD)	E&D	\$500,000
58	Reach 3A Lockport to Larose (NLLD)	E&D	\$500,000
59	Upper Barataria Basin Hydrologic Restoration	E&D	\$550,000
60	MTG UBRR Connector Levee (NLLD)	E&D	\$500,000
61	Lafourche Parish Resilience - Galliano Marsh Creation	E&D	\$3,500,000
62	East Bank Sediment Transport Corridor	E&D	\$33,464,469
63	St. Bernard Pump Stations Phase 2	CON	\$3,500,000
64	Jefferson Parish Lakeside Shoreline Protection	CON	\$4,000,000
65	St. James WSLP Coordination (West Shore Connector Levee)	E&D	\$6,000,000
66	MRGD Ecosystem Restoration Mitigation	E&D	\$1,500,000
67	St. Tammany Parish Coastal Storm Surge & Flood Risk Management	E&D	\$7,302,707
68	Eden Isle Flood Protection	E&D	\$6,900,000

# Total Funding for SCP in the 2027 CPRA Annual Plan

Project	Funding Committed
Des Allemands Boat Launch	\$1.8 Million
Cousins Pump Station	\$16.8 Million
Lake Salvador Shoreline	\$4 Million
Bayou Des Allemands Floodgate	\$91.5 Million
Crawford Canal/Sunset Pump Station	\$6 Million
Sunset Pump Station Frontal Protection	\$5.5 Million
Montz Pump Station	\$11.6 Million
<b>Total for St. Charles Parish in 2027 Annual Plan</b>	<b>\$137.2 Million</b>

Additional Projects Benefitting St. Charles Parish	Funding Committed
Upper Mississippi River Diversion Program	\$2 Million
Upper Barataria Basin Hydrologic Restoration	\$550,000
<b>Total Outside Projects Benefitting SCP in 2027 Annual Plan</b>	<b>\$2,550,000</b>

# Meeting with Regional Parish Presidents

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# Public Works Parade Setup & Cleanup



# Annual Mardi Gras Dances

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# Montz 1 & 2 Pump Station Update

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# Employee Bloodborne Pathogens Safety Training



# Sunset Pump Station Ribbon Cutting

## Sunset Pump Station Ribbon Cutting

MONDAY, MARCH 16, 2026 • 10:00 A.M.



198 Kerry's Pointe West, Bayou Gauche, LA



# Trash Bash 2026 is Saturday, April 18



# Swamp School Registration

A photograph of two young boys standing on a wooden dock next to a body of water. The boy on the left is wearing a bright yellow t-shirt with a logo and a name tag that says "Boris". The boy on the right is wearing a light blue t-shirt with a logo and a name tag that says "Derek". Both are wearing baseball caps. The background shows a calm body of water and some greenery.

**SWAMP SCHOOL REGISTRATION  
OPENING SOON!**

**SESSION 1 (JUNE 1-5) - MARCH 7**  
**SESSION 2 (JUNE 8-12) - MARCH 14**  
**SESSION 3 (JULY 20-24) - MARCH 21**  
**SESSION 4 (JULY 27-31) - MARCH 28**

The logo for the University of South Alabama (ASU), featuring the letters 'A', 'S', and 'U' in a stylized, overlapping arrangement.



# January 2026 Sales Tax Comparison

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Totals (1, 1/2, 3/8, and 1/8)	2025	2026		
January	3,980,585.63	4,559,137.20	578,551.57	14.53%
February	3,619,359.04	-		
March	4,577,356.85	-		
April	4,164,261.64	-		
May	3,680,977.34	-		
June	4,137,852.91	-		
July	4,131,102.29	-		
August	4,029,812.54	-		
September	5,510,538.48	-		
October	3,913,125.77	-		
November	4,336,759.74	-		
December	4,640,621.19	-		
Total To Date	3,980,585.63	4,559,137.20	578,551.57	14.53%

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