

CEER 2014 FIELD TRIP: Hurricane Buffers: Going...Going...Gone?

Hurricane Katrina flooded the New Orleans metropolitan area because of the failure of man-made levees and flood walls. But, it was the degradation of the natural ecosystem buffer that allowed so much storm surge to reach the city. The deadly waters came through Lake Borgne into the city directly, or by overwhelming the Orleans Landbridge separating Lake Borgne and Lake Pontchartrain and then into the city. We'll see some of the natural and unnatural means Louisiana is using to save itself from future storms.



LOCATION: Bayou Sauvage National Wildlife Refuge, the Orleans Landbridge & Lake Borgne

ROUTE: Travel by bus to Bayou Sauvage Refuge, board boats at Chef Menteur Pass, travel into Lake Borgne to survey the north shore, travel to Inner Harbor Navigation Surge Barrier, back to Chef Menteur Pass, bus back to hotel.

ROUTE LENGTH: 68 miles (48 miles round trip by bus, plus 20 miles boat tour)

DEPART/RETURN: Depart hotel at 8:00 a.m. – Arrive back at hotel at 12:30 p.m.

TRAVEL TIME TO SITE: 1 hour & 30 minutes (45 minutes each way)

TIME ON SITE: 3 hours

TOTAL TRIP TIME: 4 hours, 30 minutes

FIELD TRIP CAPTAIN: Chuck Perrodin, CPRA

SITE GUIDE: Chuck Perrodin, CPRA

OTHER: Field Trip Captain supplies water and ice, handouts

MAXIMUM ATTENDANCE: 50 PEOPLE

DEADLINE TO REGISTER: June 15 or until Trip is Full

COST TO PARTICIPATE: \$50.00

