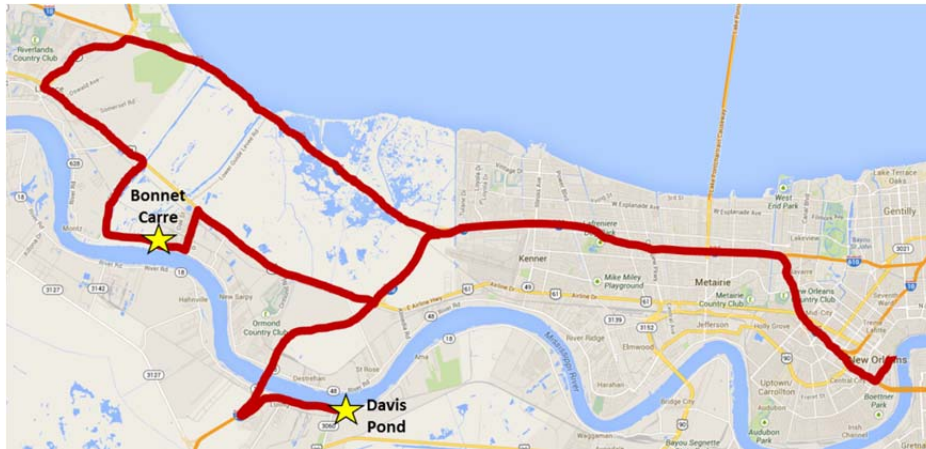


CEER 2014 FIELD TRIP: Diversionary Tactics–Reconnecting the river to the land

Louisiana used to grow at a steady rate. Today it should be 60 square miles bigger than it was in 1930, but instead is 1,900 square miles smaller. Why? Because federal levees have completely walled off the Mississippi River and for the past 80 years Louisiana land has compacted and subsided—sunk—while waiting for new replenishing sediment that never comes. But Louisiana has a plan to mimic Mother Nature by reconnecting the Mississippi to the marsh. You can see for yourself what we're talking about during this field trip to the Bonnet Carre and Davis Pond river diversion structures.



LOCATION: Bonnet Carre spillway and Davis Pond, both upriver from New Orleans

ROUTE: Travel by bus over the spillway, to the Bonnet Carre diversion structure, across the river to the Davis Pond diversion structure and then bus back to hotel.

ROUTE LENGTH: 80 miles, all by bus

DEPART/RETURN: Depart hotel at 8:30 a.m. – Arrive back at hotel at 11:30 a.m.

TRAVEL TIMES TO SITES: 2 hours (:50 to Bonnet Carre, :20 to Davis Pond, :50 back to hotel)

TIME ON SITE: 50 minutes (25 minutes at each location)

TOTAL TRIP TIME: 2 hours & 50 minutes

FIELD TRIP CAPTAIN: Chuck Villarrubia, CPRA

SITE GUIDE: Chuck Villarrubia, 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

