

Vision 2030



Building Sustainable Communities

Steering Committee Meeting – Feb. 14, 2012



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1. CALL TO ORDER

INVOCATION

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

**Steering Committee
Chairman**

2. WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS

Patrick Gordon
TPCG Planning Director

3. PROJECT PROGRESS OVERVIEW February 14, 2012

**Providence Planning Team
Mart Black, AICP**

3a. COMMUNICATIONS and COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Various Communication Methods and Techniques...

- Parish website
- Radio/TV
- Social Media
- Email
- Postings/Announcements

Community Outreach...

- Community Meetings at 8 sites around Terrebonne (Feb. 28 through March 22)
- **VISIONING: Challenges and Opportunities**

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Terrebonne Parish Vision 2030 Round Two Community Meetings Slated

HOUMA – As the Planning Team for the Terrebonne Parish Vision 2030 Comprehensive Plan continues its work, input from community residents is needed to make sure the plan is headed in the right direction.

Terrebonne Parish residents and business owners are encouraged to help the Planning Team finalize the plan's recommendations, goals, policies and strategies in a series of eight meetings set for Spring 2012. At these meetings, participants will be able to identify their top priorities for improvements throughout the parish. These priorities will help form the Planning Team's approach to housing policy, transportation improvements, parks and recreation, environment, and land use over the twenty-year planning period. Residents should try to attend a meeting most convenient to them to share their thoughts about the future of the parish and their priorities—especially as they relate to sustainability and resiliency for the parish.

These meetings are the second of two major rounds of community outreach meetings throughout the parish. Information received from last summer's meetings was used in the development of goals, policies, strategies, and recommendations that citizens will review during the second round of meetings. Based on information received in the spring meetings, the Planning Team will bring a draft of the plan first to the Steering Committee for review, and then to the Houma-Terrebonne Planning Commission for an extended review and public comment period. If revisions to the plan are necessary, they will be made before the plan is adopted by the Planning Commission and sent to the Parish Council for review and acceptance.

All workshops will begin at 6:00 p.m. and include:

Tuesday, February 28:	Bayou Black Gym , 3688 Southdown Mandalay Road, Houma
Thursday, March 1:	Montegut Gym , 107 Recreation Drive, Montegut
Tuesday, March 6:	Dularge Gym , 1330 Dr. Beatrous Road, Theriot
Thursday, March 8:	Schriever Gym , 102 Kelsi Drive, Schriever
Tuesday, March 13:	Municipal Auditorium , 880 Verret Street, Houma
Thursday, March 15:	East Houma Gym , 126 Boundary Road, Houma
Tuesday, March 20:	Chauvin Gym , 215 Angel Street, Chauvin
Thursday, March 22:	Grand Caillou Gym , 106 Badou Drive, Dulac

Community residents can learn of upcoming events related to the master plan in a number of ways:

- 1) Email masterplan@tpcg.org to get email updates or call 873-6568 to be added to the mailing list;
- 2) Visit the project website at www.tpcg.org/vision2030; or
- 3) Stay updated through Facebook at "Vision 2030: Terrebonne Parish" or "Terrebonne Plan."



Terrebonne Parish Comprehensive Plan **Vision 2030**

Round II Community Input Sessions

The Vision 2030 planning team wants to hear from you! Your voice is needed to help make Terrebonne Parish a more sustainable and resilient community.

Attend the meeting below that's most convenient to you
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Staying Informed

- **Steering Committee Meetings**
- **Planning Commission Meetings**
- **Parish Council Meetings**
- **Parish Website** www.tpcg.org/vision2030
- **Email Updates**
- **Facebook**
- **Media:**
 - HTV's *Bayou Time* Program (viewer call-in)
 - Letters to Editor in response to newspaper coverage
- **Phone Reminders**

Getting Involved

❖ Community Meetings:

- Round 2 Community Input Sessions:

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4. LAND USE CHANGES 2002 to 2011

2004 Terrebonne Parish Land Use Bayou Black Dr.



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Legend

- Single Family Res.
- Multi-Family Res.(LD)
- Multi-Family Res.(HD)
- Mobile Homes
- Mobile Home Parks
- Commercial
- Offices
- Medical Offices
- Home Occupations
- Public Services
- Industrial
- Agricultural
- Vacant/Open Land
- Environmentally Sensitive
- Wellheads
- Camps
- District



2010 Terrebonne Parish Land Use Bayou Black Dr.



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2004 Terrebonne Parish Land Use 311 Corridor & Martin Luther King Blvd.



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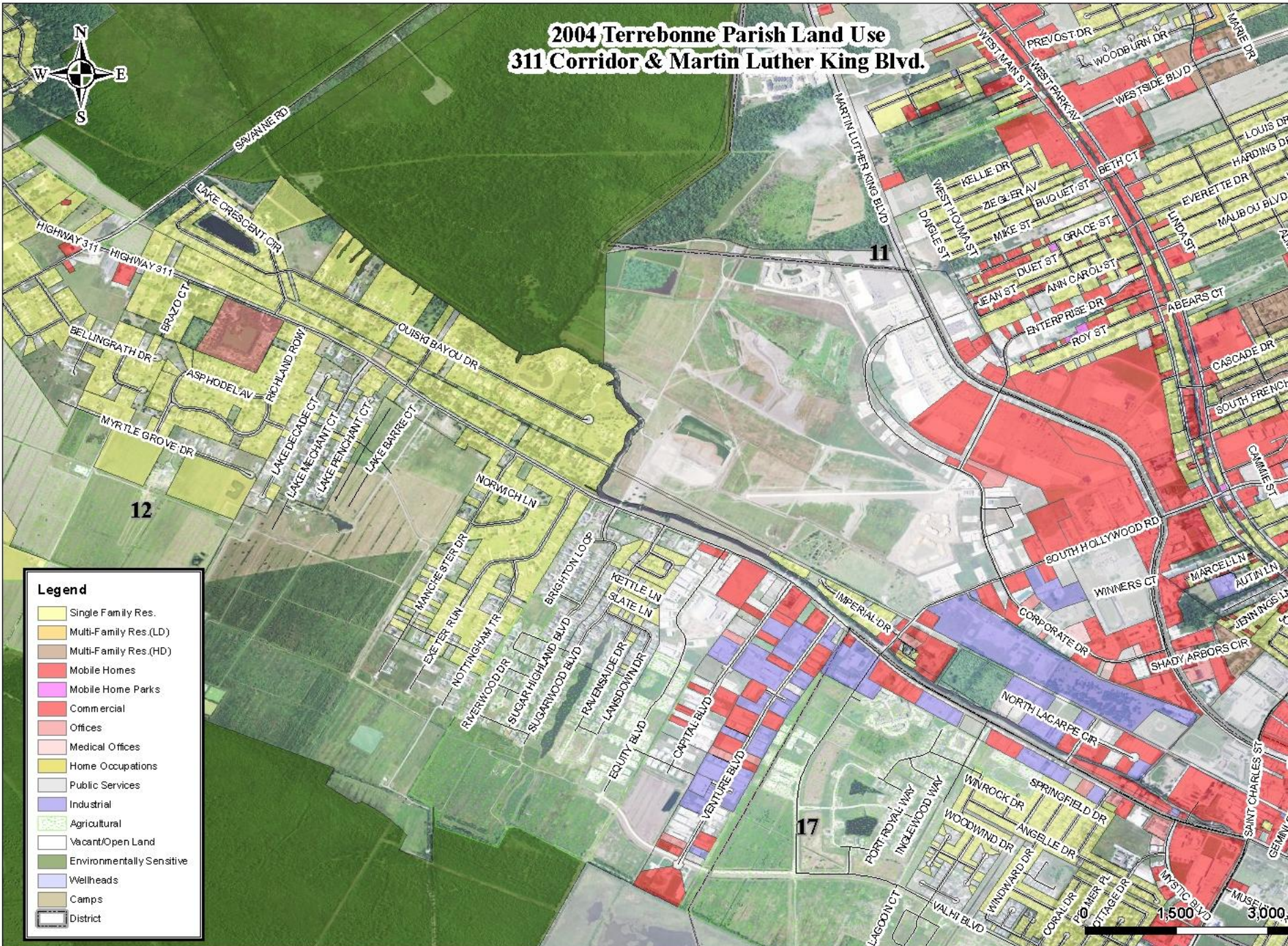
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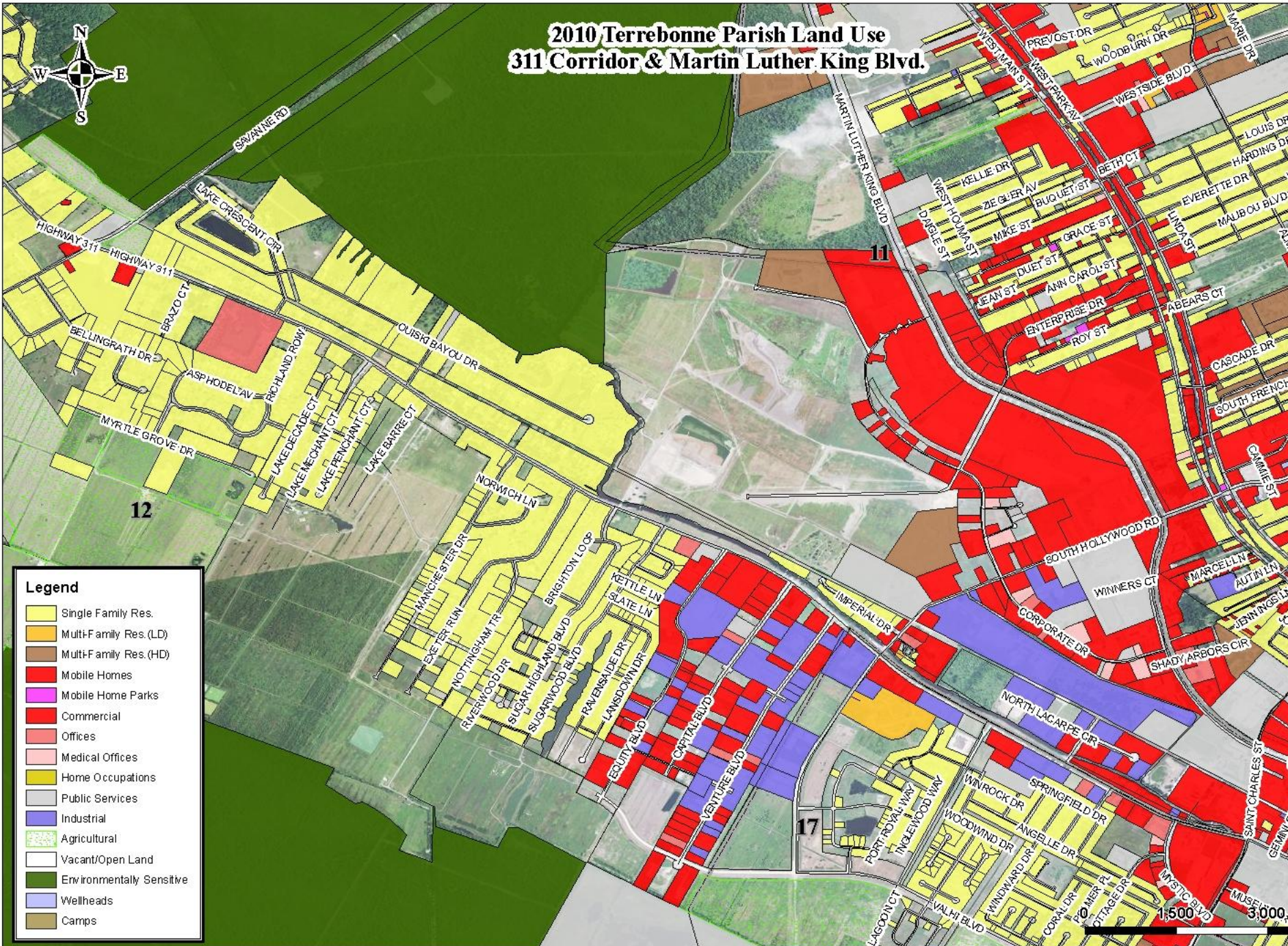
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LAND USE MODEL & COMPONENTS



- 1) Baseline: population and households to 2030; employment to 2030
- 2) Residential land use baseline conditions
- 3) Employment land use needs
- 4) Functional population adjustments for public facilities
- 5) Public facility space and land use needs
- 6) Educational facility space and land use needs
- 7) Water and wastewater utility demand and land use needs
- 8) *Summary land use needs and market factor adjustment***
- 9) Capital facility cost estimates (excl. transportation and public utilities other than central water and wastewater treatment systems)
- 10) Land use and facility needs associated with unanticipated development

Land Use “Drivers”

- Intra-parish population shifts
- Changes in parish population composition next 20 yrs:
 - 0-19 cohort: increasing by 4%; but steadily decreasing % of total pop.(29% to 27%)
 - Females 20-44 cohort: decreasing by 4%; decreasing as % of total pop. and as % of all females
 - 20-64 cohort: increasing by 2%; but steadily decreasing % of total pop. (60% to 56%)
 - 65+ cohort: increasing by 51%; and increasing % of total pop. (11% to 16%)
 - Total parish population expected to grow about 8% next 20 years (previous 20 yrs. @ 15+%). Fastest growing segment next 20 years: SENIORS

Additional Land Use Needs as per Model NEXT 20 YEARS...

- ***Residential: 698 acres.***
 - S/F: 640 ac.
 - M/F: 58 ac.
- Commercial/Retail: 435 ac.
- **Industrial: 678 ac.**
- Office/Government: 563 ac.
- ***Parks/Open Space/Trails/Pub. Facilities: 5,056 ac.***
- Public/Private E&S Schools: 166 ac.
- Water/Wastewater Capacity: 38 ac.
- **TOTAL 2030 NEW L/U needs: 7,634 ac. (+/-14% of land avail. for develop.)**

Important Additional Considerations Built into L/U Model:

- Numbers “inflated” by Market Factors built into the model
- In general, plan w/ 20 yr. horizon should have 10% more land area than needed by end of planning horizon. WHY?
 1. Land market balanced/provided w/enough supply to dampen/prevent monopolistic pricing behavior among landowners AND to prevent sprawl.
 2. Prospective developers have reasonable choice of sites/locations
 3. Flexibility to adjust L/U designations in later years as/if needs change
- **PLAN SHOULD BE REVISITED/REVISED EVERY 5 YEARS**
- Based on studies, buildable land supply figure for Terrebonne (based on size) is approx. 10%.

CAVEAT

***“...Estimating future land-use needs
makes projecting the gross domestic
product look like child’s play”***

-Richard B. Peiser

Harvard Graduate School of Design



 Prepared by:



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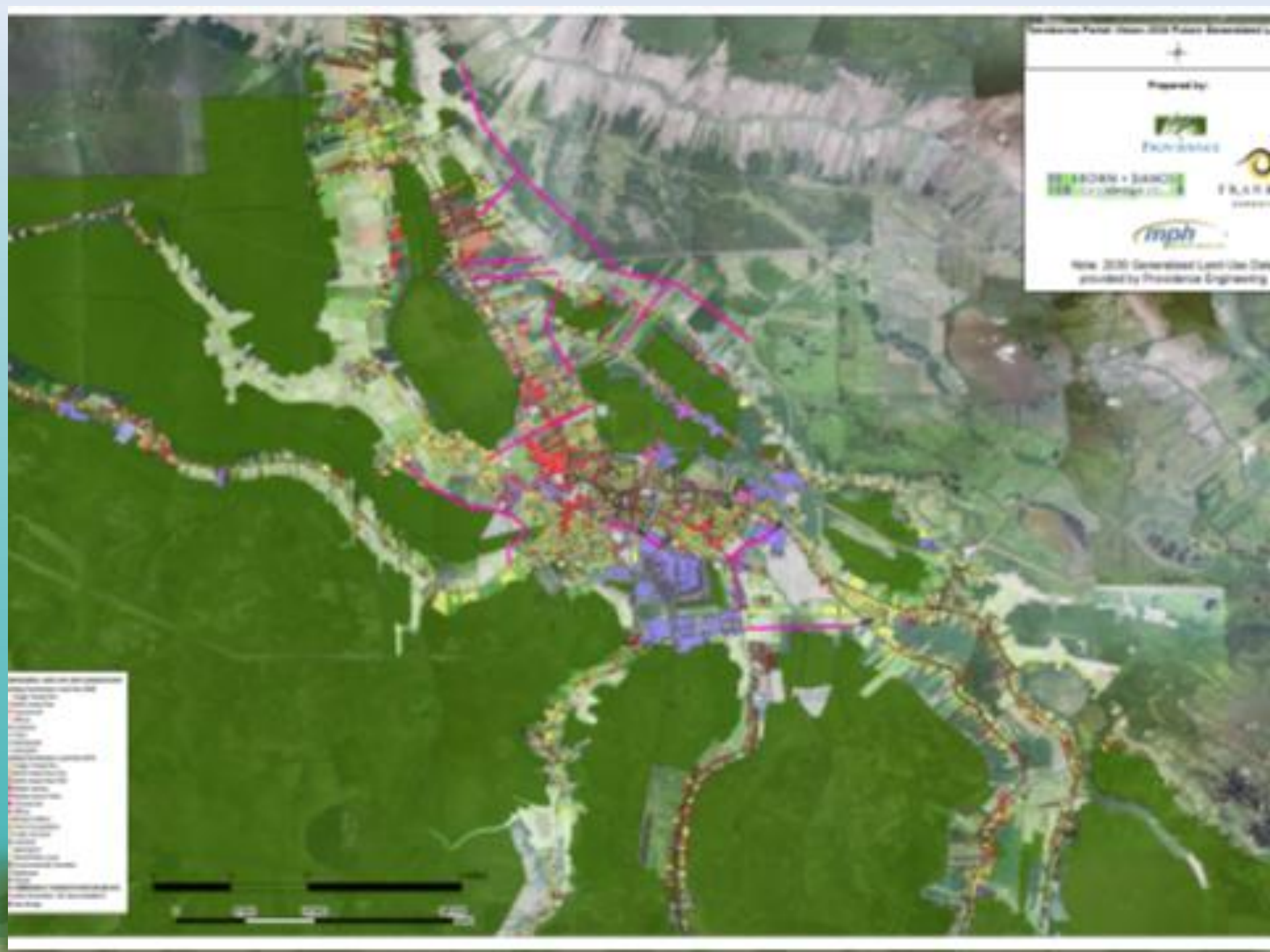
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 New 2020 General Land Use Design

 provided by Providence Engineering



- 1. General Land Use Design
- 2. Major Roadway
- 3. Transit Corridor
- 4. High-Density Urban
- 5. Commercial
- 6. Medium-Density Residential
- 7. Single-Family Residential
- 8. Open Space
- 9. Agricultural
- 10. Water
- 11. Existing Urban
- 12. Major Waterway
- 13. Local Roadway
- 14. Utility Corridor
- 15. Other



LAND USE RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Generally, extend land use regulations in the direction of growth when Development Zone achieves 25% development
2. Extend land use regulations now from existing up to one mile beyond U.S. 90 ROW at LA 311 and LA 24 Couplet.
3. Extend land use regulations from US 90 north to parish boundary as additional development reaches 25% mark.
4. Amend zoning ordinance to permit one additional lot per net acre in s/f residential classifications
5. Amend zoning ordinance to allow accessory dwellings in residential classifications
6. Amend s/d regs. to require sidewalks and pedestrian/bicycle connectivity in new development

TRANSPORTATION RECOMMENDATIONS

1. In general and in conjunction with SCPDC, work to implement the recommendations in MTP 2035:

- Roadway Preservation and Rehabilitation:**
 - funding priority to preserve existing system
- Transportation Demand Management:**
 - Cost –effective ways to reduce number of vehicles on road; reducing traffic congestion; improving air quality
- Traffic Operations Improvements:**
 - Increasing efficiency of system: signalization; access management; turn lanes/prohibitions; truck routes
- Public Transportation and other Non-Traditional Modes:**
 - Transit; pedestrian and bicycle improvements; “Complete Streets”, connectivity
- Intelligent Transportation System: incident management; emergency response; work zone management; travel and weather information**
- Roadway Capacity Improvements: addressing forecasted deficiencies; staged improvements and funding**

TRANSPORTATION CONSTRAINTS



- **Air quality:** marginal ozone non-attainment (potential)
- **Funding:** not all improvements can be funded; “fiscally constrained; unfunded, but needed improvements remain (actual)

Plan Update Emphasizes...

1. **Transit system improvements:** movement toward capturing the “choice” rider to get more vehicles off street: high reliability; shorter wait times
2. **“Complete Streets” implementation:** streets designed to safely accommodate ALL users (drivers, bicyclists, pedestrians, transit vehicles/users)
3. **Connectivity improvements:** facilitating pedestrian/bicycle travel safely and seamlessly (can reduce need for some roadway capacity projects; money can be spent on other related needs.)
4. **Land use policy adjustments:** less sprawl; in-fill development; connectivity between developments; development regulations to de-emphasize reliance on auto for trip-making needs.

HOUSING RECOMMENDATIONS

- **Housing policies (and market response) should begin to reflect demographic shifts over next 10 to 15 years:**
 - Aging population – changing lifestyles (more convenience; ease and walkability; ok with higher densities; suburban subdivisions not first choice for seniors)
 - Gen Y – less auto dependent by choice; ok with higher density; more urban; less interested in “traditional” homeowner chores)
 - Aggressive CRS program to reduce flood insurance premiums
 - Elevate, Elevate, Elevate!
- **Get creative in meeting affordable housing needs:**
 - Public/private/non-profit partnerships for afford. housing developmts.
 - Remove policy barriers to HUD-Code manufactured housing
 - Promote infill development at higher densities in urbanized area
 - Reduce minimum lot size to yield one additional lot per net acre
 - Allow accessory dwelling units in residential areas

ESSENTIAL COMMUNITY DESIGN RECOMMENDATIONS



**Goals, Objectives,
Strategies, Policies**

**Protect the Natural
Environment**

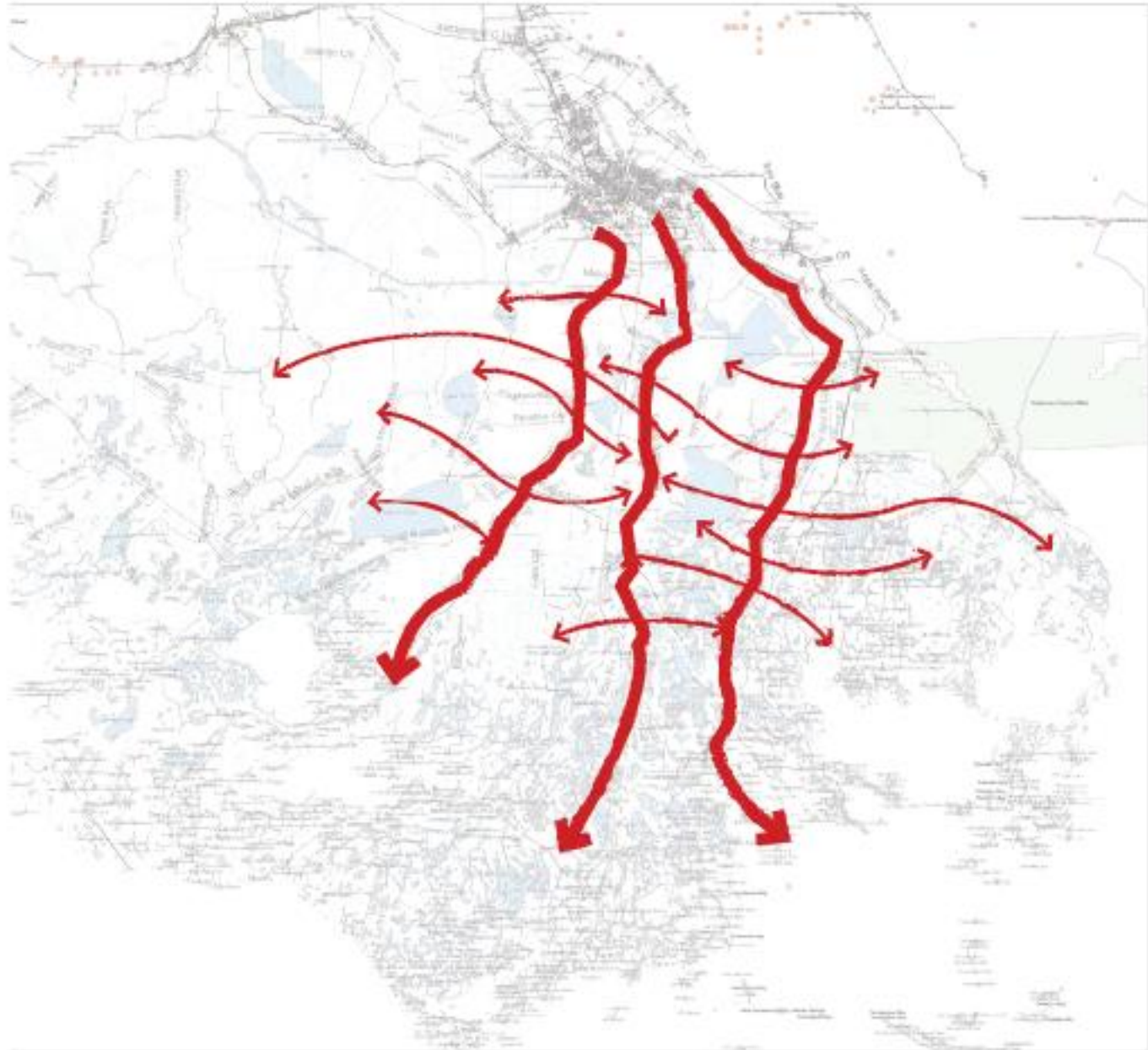
**Strengthen Parish
Identity**

**Enhance Recreational
Opportunities**





- Enhance major roadway connections
- Create secondary crossing connections





• Pocket parks



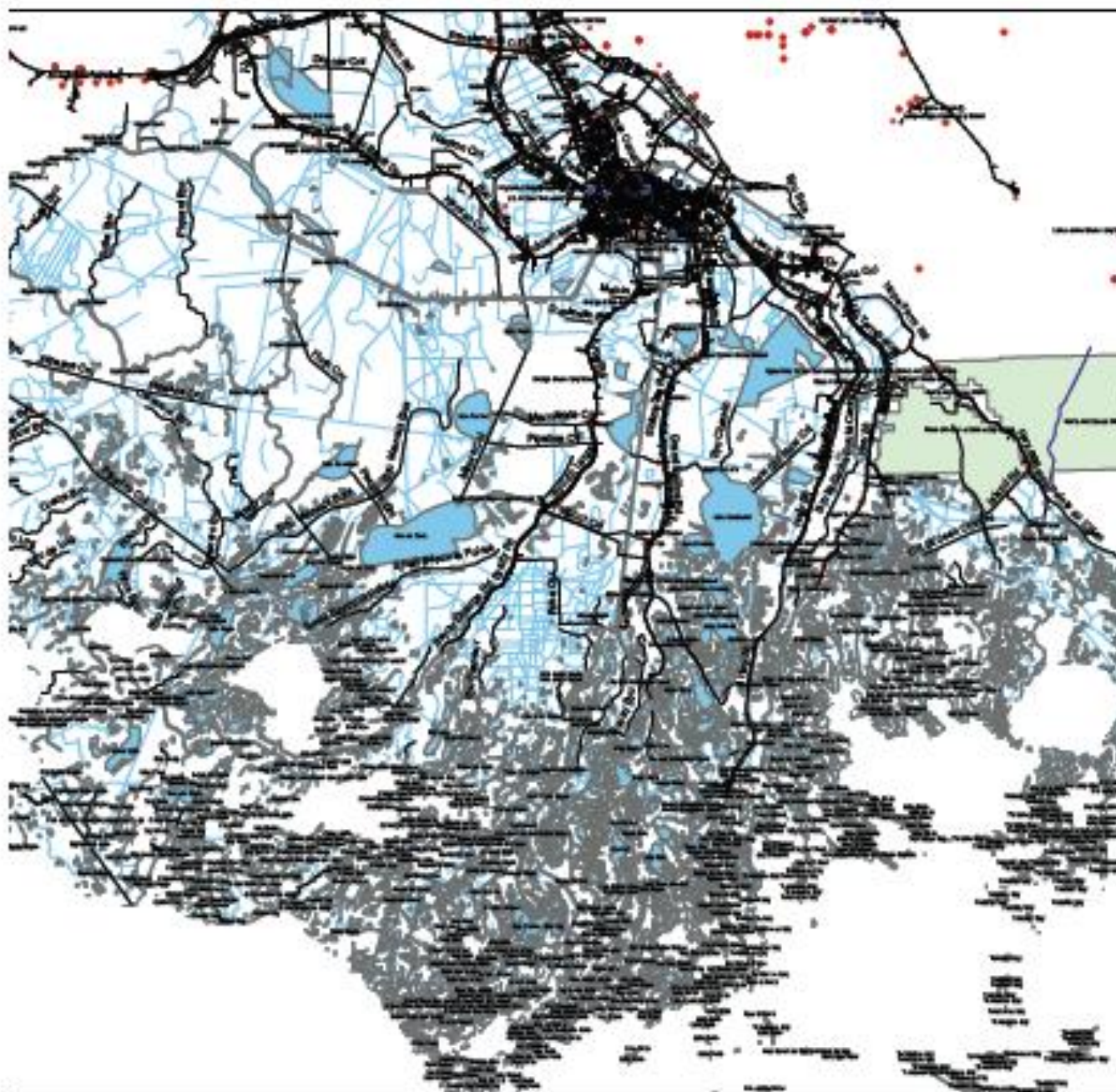
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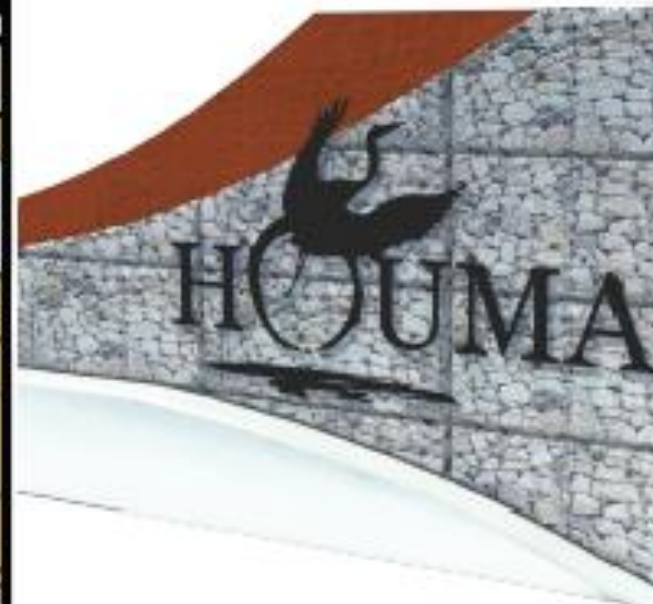
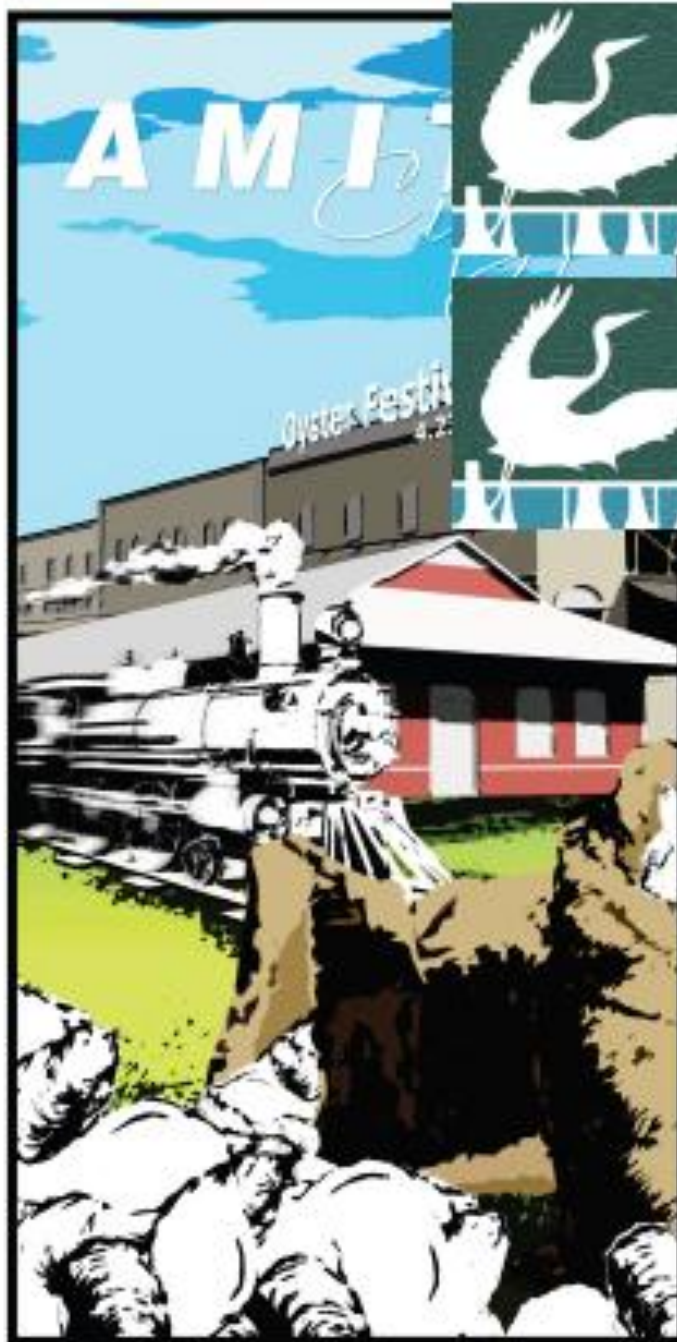
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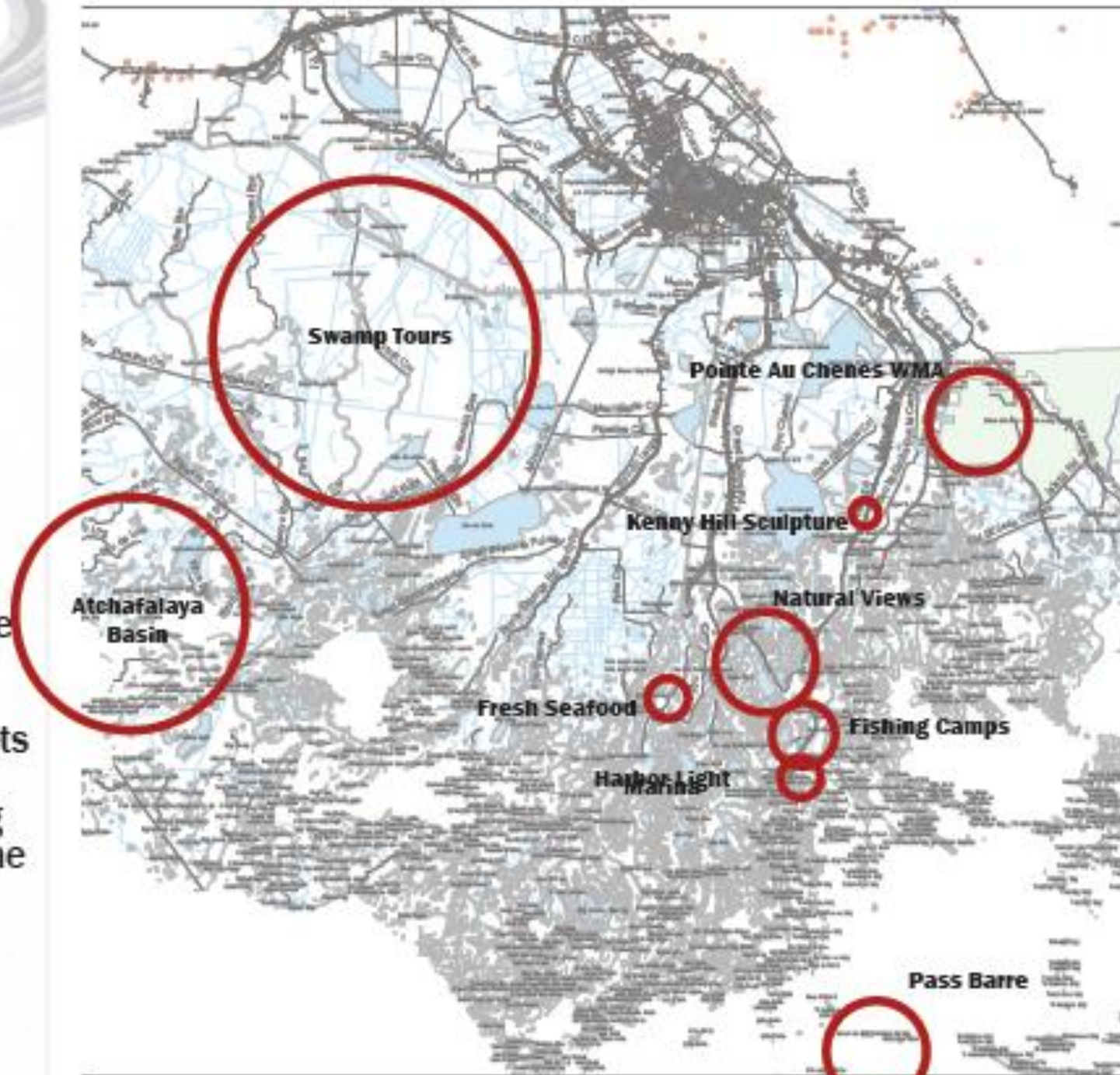
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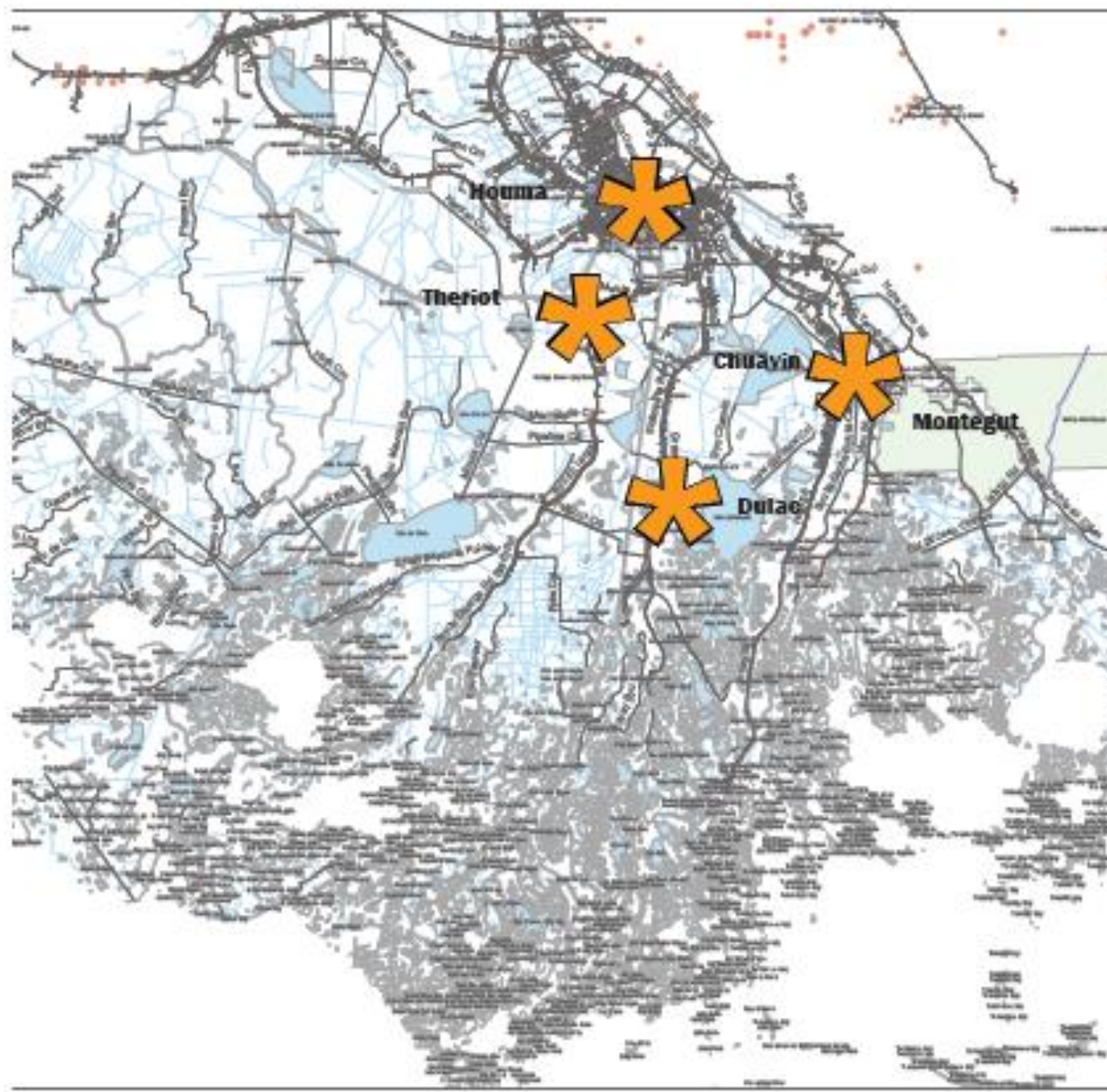
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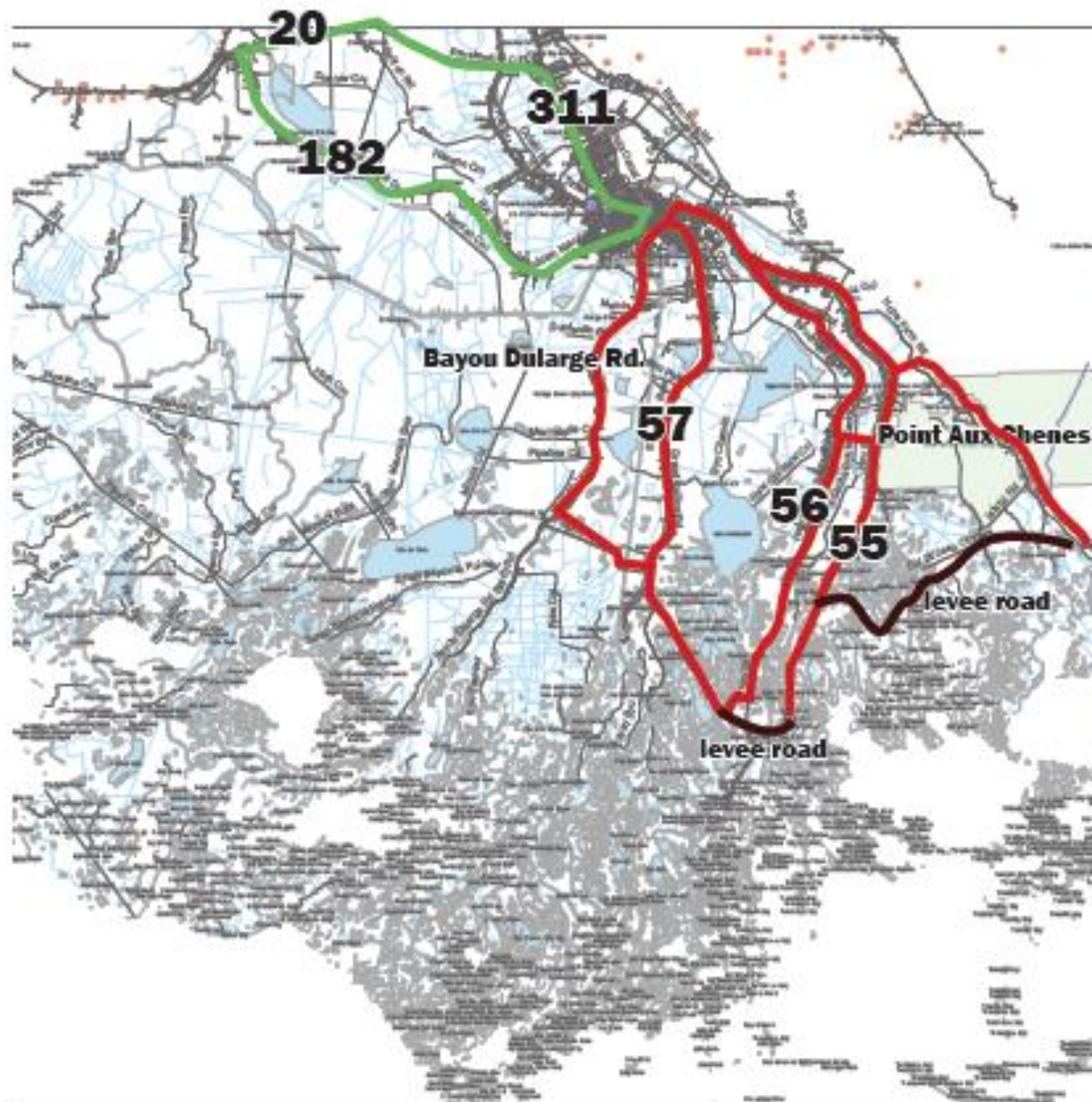


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- Develop ecotourism and educational tourism
- Provide ecological opportunities for visitors
- Share sports facilities between communities and schools
- Expand planned pedestrian and bicycle trail system



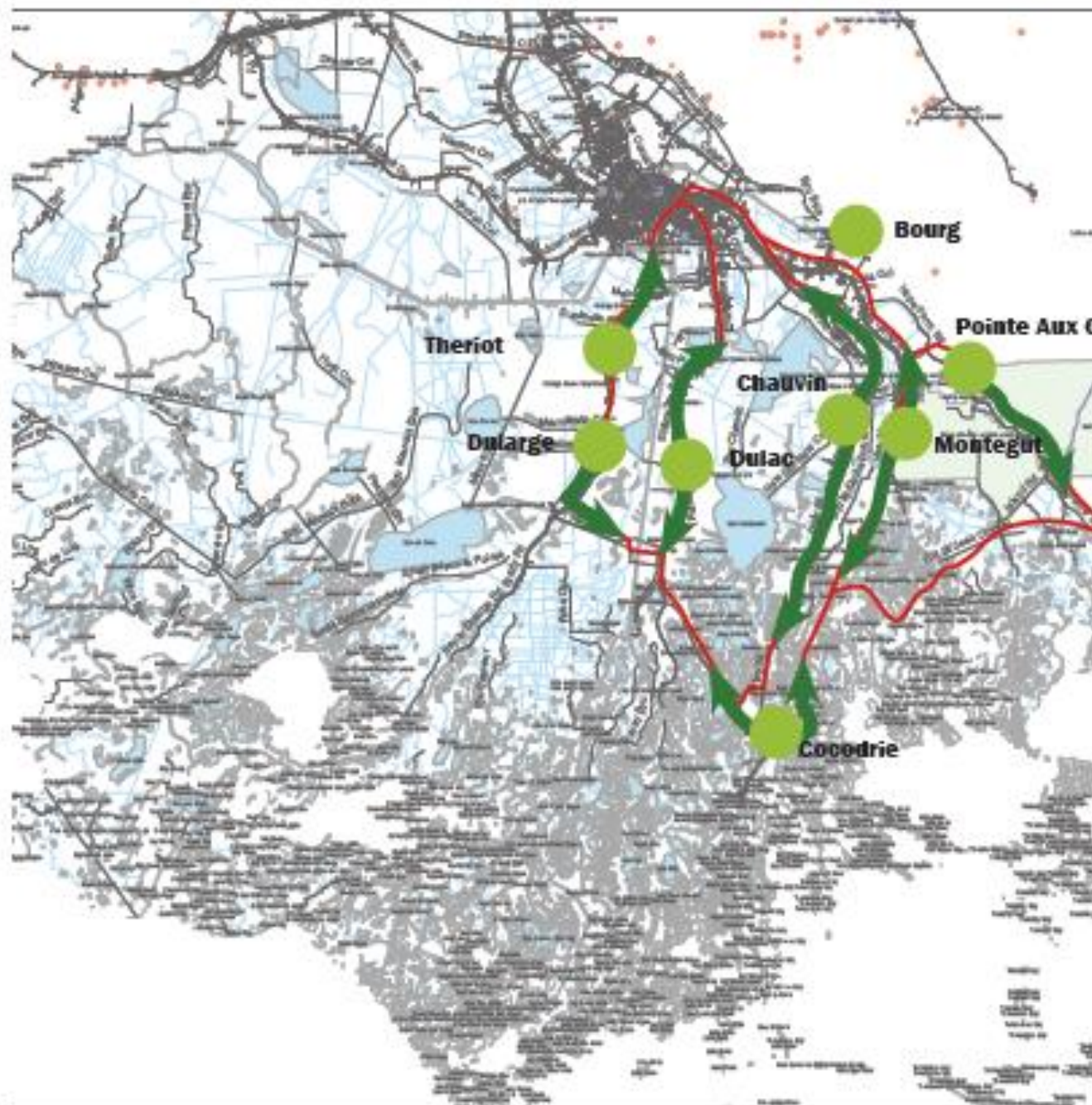


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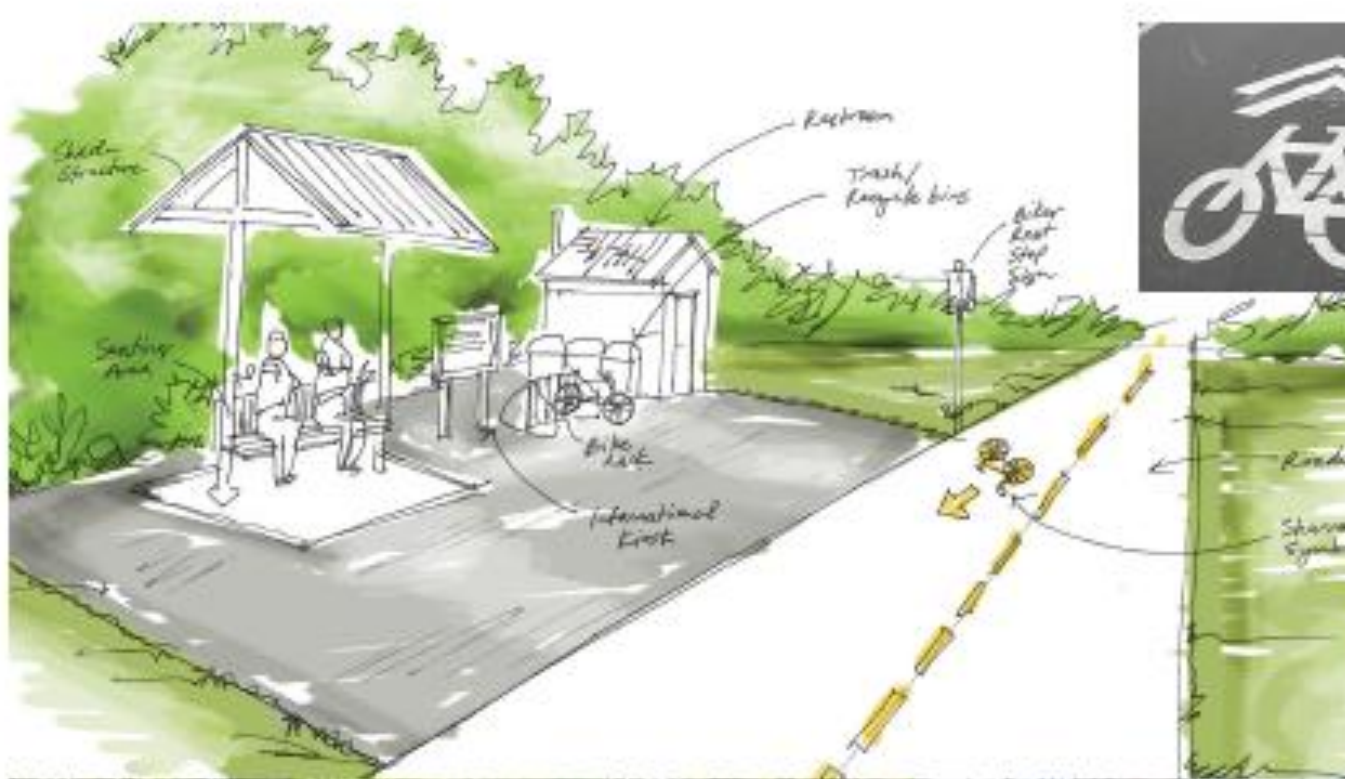




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- **Preserve the Natural Environment**
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- **Strengthen the Parish's Identity and Brand**
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ENVIRONMENTAL AND HAZARD MITIGATION RECOMMENDATIONS

Areas of Concern:

- Air quality issues
- Water quality issues
- Coastal erosion; land loss issues
- Coastal development issues relative to storm surge, sea level rise
- Sustainability (less reliance on federal disaster funds; environmentally sound) and resiliency (recovering more quickly after disasters/storms) issues. “Sustainable development is resilient development.”
- On-going hazard mitigation (structural and non-structural)
- Protection of environmentally sensitive areas; greenways

ENVIRONMENTAL RECOMMENDATIONS

CONTINUED

- **Air Quality:**
 - Establish/publicize Ozone Action Days; brochure
 - Public education; potential costs of non-attainment
 - Emphasize transit; work with employers
 - Look for ways to reduce VMTs in community
- **Water Quality:**
 - Support BTNEP's efforts reduce sewage pollution, reduce agricultural pollution; best practices in storm water management in the region
 - Support efforts to accomplish these objectives in Terrebonne Parish
- **Coastal Issues:**
 - Support integration of coastal restoration/protection, land development, state, local/regional infrastructure investments. Must be on same page to support each other; effective planning
 - Greater safety from storms; comprehensive approach to restoration and protection.

DOWNTOWN HOUMA REVITALIZATION RECOMMENDATIONS



Downtown Houma Revitalization Plan Update



View looking north down Roussel Street



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- New truck circulation
- New vehicular circulation
- New pedestrian and cyclist circulation



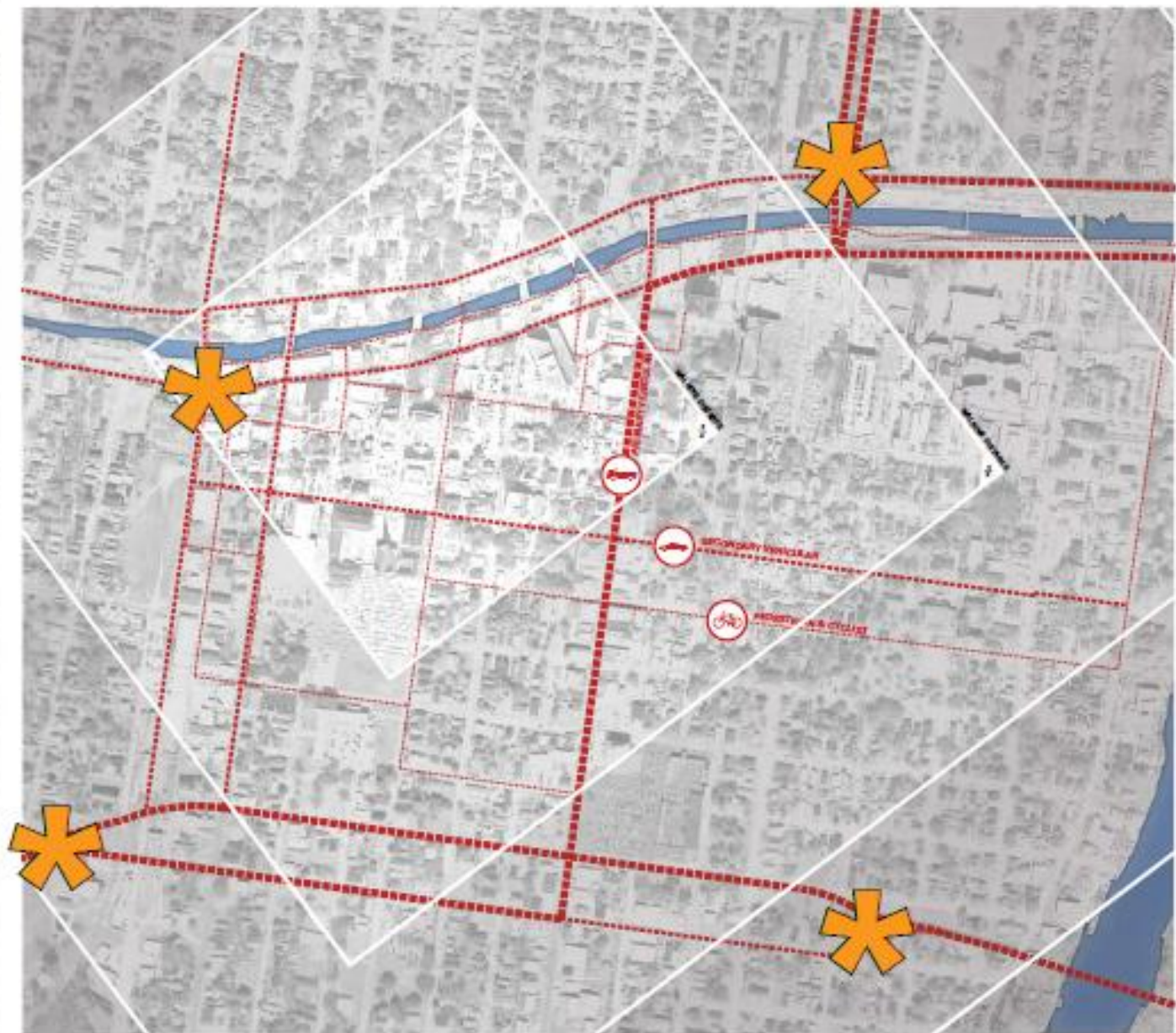


View looking east down Main Street



Gateway Signage

- Key intersections
- Arrival into the downtown area





- Entry signage
- Culturally significant
- Critically placed
- Unique to Houma





Gateway signage with pedestrian plaza

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- Cultural significance and unique to Houma
- Sense of place
- Additional wayfinding
- Visually pleasing



HOUMA
HISTORIC DISTRICT



Banners

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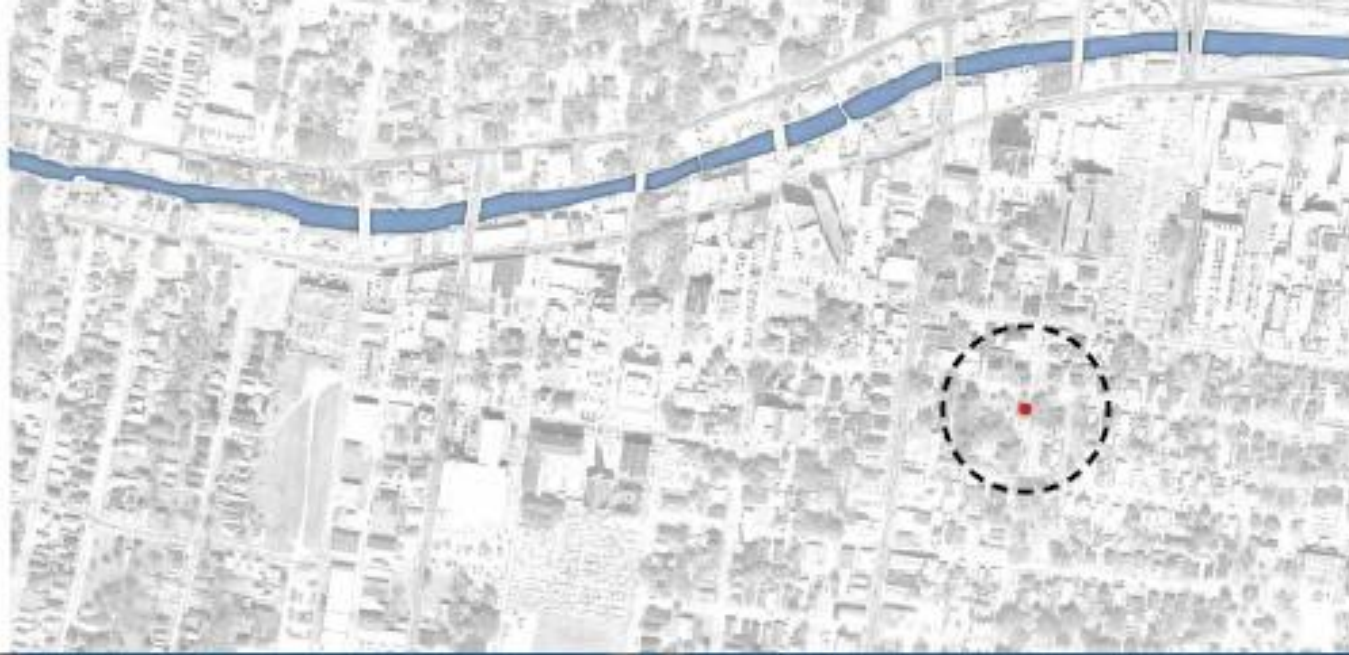
- Lack of streetscape
- Lack of separation between pedestrians and vehicular traffic
- Lacking of wayfinding signage

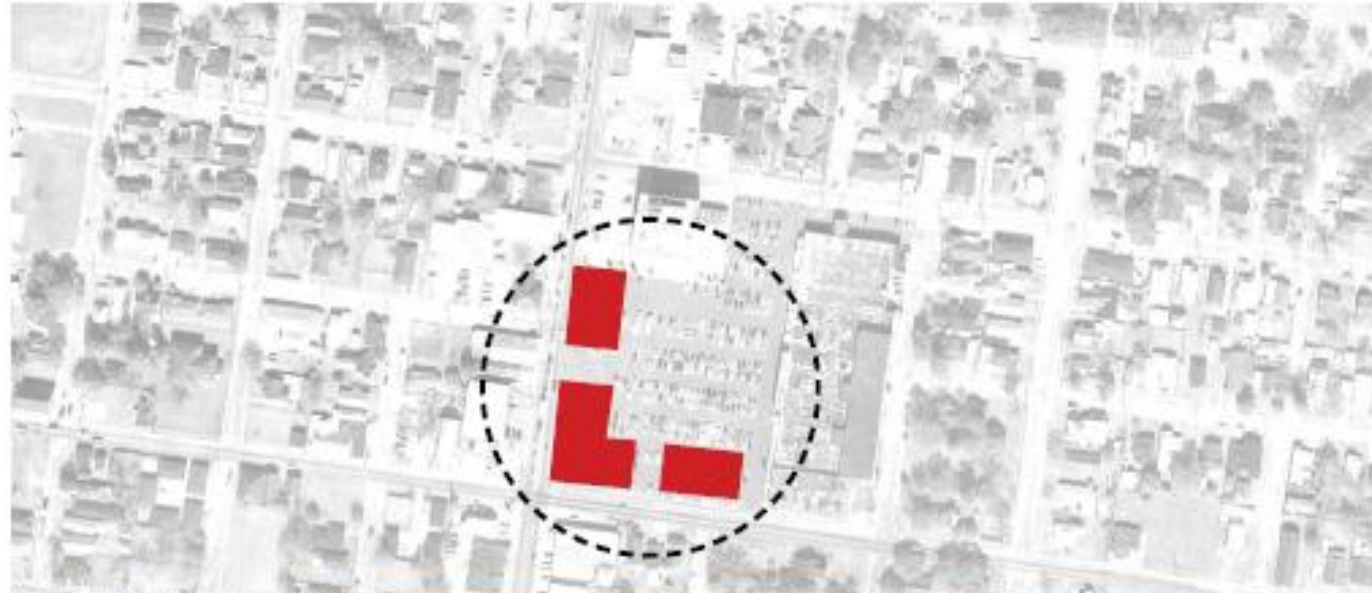






- No pedestrian zone
- Unsightly parking
- Barren walkways
- No shade





Streetscape enhancements looking north on Barrow Street

PUBLIC SERVICES AND FACILITIES RECOMMENDATIONS

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- Police and Fire Departments**
 - Ensure adequate funding to meet changing needs over the planning horizon
- Sheriff's Department**
 - Jail/Detention facility expansion; adequately flood-proof location or relocate
- Public Library**
 - High quality facilities and services; well positioned for future
- Recreation**
 - More parks; connected greenway system; trails
- Drinking Water**
 - Future appears to be with BLFWD membership for reasonably priced reliable source
- Wastewater Treatment**
 - Excess capacity to handle growth, but future additional improvements could be mandated by DEQ; key element of environmental safety and quality

REGIONAL COORDINATION RECOMMENDATIONS

Work regionally to address and solve these issues:

- 1. Solid waste disposal** (united for better deal at River Birch facility; or go it individually? OR, regional landfill?)
- 2. Potable water:** BLFWD (in or out? If out, securing good water at reasonable cost)
- 3. Transportation:** I-49 South; LA 1; North-South Corridor Route
- 4. Drainage issues**
- 5. Regional transit system** (opportunity to connect Terrebonne, Lafourche, River Parishes with Metro New Orleans area)
- 6. Regional economy/workforce**
- 7. Air/water quality**
- 8. Hurricane evacuation**

PLAYERS: All parishes in region; Chambers of Commerce; SCIA; TEDA; coordinated through SCPDC

Questions



Vision 2030 Timeline

Parish-wide Kickoff	May 2011
Round 1 Community Sessions	Summer 2011
Round 2 Community Sessions	Spring 2012
Parish-wide Draft Plan Review	Summer/Fall 2012
Planning Commission Adoption	Late Fall 2012
Parish Council Acceptance	Winter 2012

6. NEXT STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING

**Tuesday, April 10, 2012, 3:30pm,
Waterlife Museum**

7. CHAIRMAN'S COMMENTS

**THANKS FOR YOUR PARTICIPATION.
PLEASE STAY INVOLVED TO MOVE TERREBONNE FORWARD!**

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8. MEETING ADJOURNED