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A Coastal View

No one needs reminding that 2020 has been a year of unprecedented challenges. A global pandemic has taken more than 150,000 lives in the United States and wreaked havoc on the economy. And society has renewed a commitment to inclusion, diversity and equity as part of an experiment in building a democracy. In this newsletter we want to share with you our commitment at Louisiana Sea Grant to respond to these national challenges as they impact our local communities and economies.

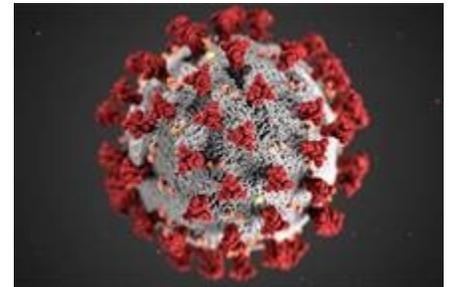
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Louisiana Sea Grant COVID-19 Response

Louisiana Sea Grant is no stranger to natural and manmade disasters. Since 2005, the program has responded to half a dozen hurricanes, two floods, the nation's largest oil spill, fisheries disaster declarations and now a global pandemic. The following text highlights how Louisiana Sea Grant has been responding to the challenges caused by COVID-19.

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LSU EnvironMentors Celebrates 10th Anniversary

Ten years ago this fall, a group of 15 Scotlandville Magnet High School students visited Louisiana State University (LSU) for the first time as part of a new program called EnvironMentors. There were only a handful EnvironMentor chapters across the country at the time, and some LSU graduate students proposed that Louisiana Sea Grant (LSG) help establish a chapter on the university's Baton Rouge campus. LSG did, and Sea Grant continues supporting the program.

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Ocean Commotion Moving Online this Fall

The 23rd Annual Ocean Commotion will be going virtual, allowing more schools and students to participate.

Typically, Ocean Commotion is held on the Louisiana State University Baton Rouge campus each fall and attracts more than 2,000 students, as well as teachers and chaperones, to the coastal stewardship fair. Exhibitors usually number 60 or more. Information presented at Ocean Commotion details coastal phenomena in Louisiana and the Gulf of Mexico. Due to challenges posed by COVID-19, this year's Ocean Commotion is virtual.



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