

Putting Science to Work for Coastal Communities



\$6.6 Million

Economic Benefit from Sea Grant Activities
2016

**10 Businesses
and 33 Jobs** 2016
Created/Retained



*On the front lines of coastal crisis
management and recovery:*

**5 Hurricanes,
2 Floods**
*and the nation's largest oil spill
since 2005*



9,535

Participants in Sea Grant
Meetings, Workshops
and Conferences
2016



**21,875
K-12
Students
Reached**
2016



25
Communities Implemented
or Adopted Hazard
Resiliency Practices
2016

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Feb. 1, 2016 to Jan. 31, 2017 highlights

The Watch the Delta Grow website, sponsored by Louisiana Sea Grant, is an outreach program which connects the public with ongoing research in the Wax Lake Delta.

By learning how deltas form, grow, move and support life, coastal residents learn how they rely on its ecosystem health and how their human activities have an impact.

Since December 2016, Watch the Delta Grow website (www.watchthedeltagrow.com) visitors have been able watch stunning visualizations, and educators have been able access classroom instruction modules and actual data.



The City of Covington experienced unprecedented flash flooding in the spring of 2016. With the assistance of Louisiana Sea Grant, the city used information gained during a Coastal Resilience Index workshop to apply for and receive a \$45,000 grant which will be used for creation of a flash flood response plan.

Sea Grant Extension personnel coordinated dockside workshops with the National Marine Fisheries Service Gear Management Team to offer dockside compliance checks for the commercial shrimp fishing industry in Intracoastal City and Delcambre. Thirty-eight boats were boarded and approximately 110 Turtle Excluder Devices (TEDs) were checked. Three boats had minor issues with their TEDs, which were corrected and saved the boat owners \$120,000 in possible fines.

