## Putting Science to Work for Coastal Communities





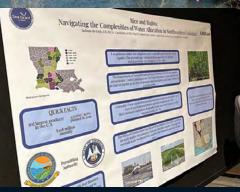
# \$37.6 Million

**Economic Benefit from Sea Grant Activities** 2022

### 271 Businesses and 1,551 Jobs 2022 Created/Sustained



On the front lines of coastal crisis management and recovery for: **28** Hurricanes, and the nation's largest offshore oil spill since 2005



223,445

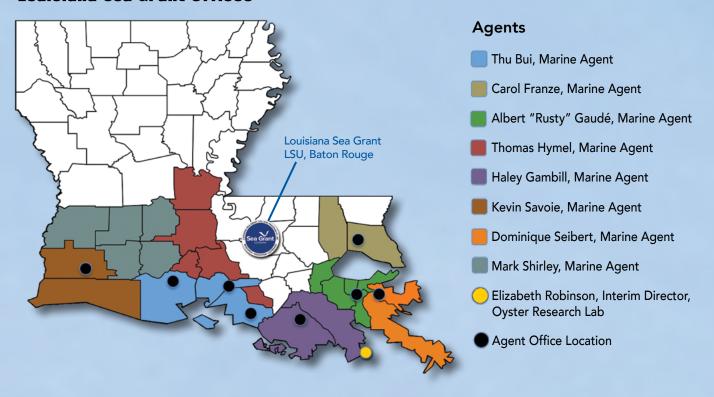
Attendees at Sea Grant Professional Presentations 2022

18,/9/ PK-12 Students Reached



Undergraduate and Graduate Students Supported 2022

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## Louisiana Sea Grant Putting Science to Work for Coastal Communities

Feb. 1, 2022 to Jan. 31, 2023 highlights

With the assistance of Louisiana Sea Grant, Guidry's Catfish and Processing Inc., the largest catfish processing facility in Louisiana, received a \$7 million grant from Meat and Poultry Processing Expansion Program to expand its capacity, equipment, workforce, comply with safety requirements and create new jobs and revenue sources for the local community.





LSG leveraged existing university partnerships and relationships with engaged graduate students to provide a first-of-its-kind Science Communication conference for Louisiana graduate students. Fifty-two students from eight Louisiana universities attended the two-day workshop to improve their science communication skills.

Louisiana Sea Grant-sponsored researchers developed a Harmful Agal Bloom (HAB) forecasting model capable of predicting potential HAB events in Lake Pontchartrain 10 days in advance, significantly improving on the current model. With daily HAB predictions, water quality managers can monitor and prevent HAB problems more effectively, improving the lake's water quality.