

# Louisiana Universities Marine Consortium

## Biennial Report FY 2013 & 2014



Director’s Message

Several words come to mind for fiscal years 13 & 14.  
Transition, Productivity, Intensity, Creativity

**Transition** Legislation passed in the 2012 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature changed the governance of LUMCON and called for a five-year planning process. The Executive Board of LUMCON now consists of a Vice President and Dean (Voting/Non-voting) of Louisiana State University and A&M College, Louisiana Tech University, Nicholls State University, Tulane University, University of Louisiana at Lafayette, University of Louisiana at Monroe, and University of New Orleans, and the Chair of the Science and Education Advisory Council, composed of representatives of all four-year public and private universities (see inside back cover).



Kerry St. Pé, who fostered the Barataria-Terrebonne National Estuary Program from its infancy and over 17 years as its director, retired in July 2014. He and the Estuary Program team have been instrumental in guiding the citizens of the estuary through its Comprehensive Conservation and Management Plan.

**Productivity** These two fiscal years have been incredibly productive for the faculty, the research staff and all of LUMCON who support them. The research funds brought in match every State dollar provided. Scientific publications averaged four per faculty member per year. The number of professional and community service hours are not counted but the interactions of the LUMCON faculty with their peers remain at a high level, and the faculty continue to serve local, state and federal communities.

**Intensity** Education programs reach K-12, undergraduate, graduate, and all levels of the public and bring over 4,500 individuals through the doors, up the tower, out on the ships and into the marsh every year. Over 50 universities and their students take part in LUMCON’s offerings every year. The R/V *Pelican* remains the workhorse of the U.S. academic fleet in the Gulf of Mexico, serving multiple university research programs and agency activities, including many of them directed at continuing studies of the *Deepwater Horizon* oil spill. The *Pelican* greeted school classes and oceanographers from the Association for the Study of Limnology and Oceanography (ASLO) at the docks in New Orleans in February 2013.



**Creativity** Science and art are both creative activities with observations, design, execution and a desirable product at the end. Coastal Landscape Photography taught nine times since 2009 by Dr. Gary LaFleur of Nicholls State University and Dr. Dennis Sipiorski of the University of Southeastern Louisiana combines the observations of natural history and understanding of landscape and culture via black and white photography. The students have begun to venture away from this a bit, for example, Mary Ann Caffery of Baton Rouge who did a series of acrylic on spruce for which the 4-ft by 2-ft creation (left) hangs on my office wall in Cocodrie. Murt Conover created and more than successfully completed a high school student art and science one-week camp in Cocodrie in July 2014. A result from that is April Olivier’s “Window of Time” in which she depicted “the deterioration of the marsh and land loss over time’ (right).



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Research

LUMCON’s research programs address multiple needs of the state of Louisiana with regard to its living and non-living resources, including the social systems that envelope them all. Habitats for sustainable fisheries and wildlife support ecosystems and economies. Researchers address how ecosystems may be affected by changing salinity, climate change, sea-level rise, delivery of sediments, water residence time and nutrient over-enrichment. Details of biogeochemical processes, such as nitrogen and carbon cycling, greenhouse gas flux, and sedimentary processes, such as modified hydrology, subsidence, accumulation of delta lobes, interactions of groundwater with surface hydrology, are critical to understanding the natural and human-causes of coastal change. The dynamics of hypoxia (oxygen depletion) and harmful algal blooms that result primarily from excess nitrogen and phosphorus delivery to coastal waters have long been a focus of research.

Fisheries research ranges from the response of fish and early life stages of commercially important species to environmental change, including toxicity from oil spills, to better understanding of the life histories of important coastal fishes and shellfish. Many basics of saltwater aquaculture are discovered in the wet laboratory facilities of the Marine Center.

Louisiana’s living and non-living resources had long intermingled in the activities of the petroleum industry. Researchers at LUMCON are following the effects of the *Deepwater Horizon* oil spill in coastal ecosystems and in laboratory experiments. The structures of the industry in the form of oil and gas platforms attract fish and attached organisms, and LUMCON addresses the impact of these structures on their associated communities.



**Edward Chesney, Associate Professor**  
Fisheries and fish ecology, Gulf of Mexico fish communities  
Early life history of larval stages of fish, growth, behavior, feeding ecology, health  
Toxicology of Macondo oil on early life stages of fish and crabs

**Nancy N. Rabalais, Executive Director and Professor**  
Continental shelf ecosystems influenced by large rivers, eutrophication, hypoxia  
Animal sediment dynamics, benthic pelagic coupling, community analyses  
Effects of pollution on coastal ecosystems

**Alexander Kolker, Assistant Professor**  
Geological oceanography with an emphasis on sediment dynamics  
Groundwater and subterranean flow in the Mississippi River delta  
Deltaic processes, subsidence, stratigraphy of accumulating delta lobes

**Brian J. Roberts, Assistant Professor**  
Aquatic ecosystem ecology and biogeochemistry  
Wetland carbon nutrient cycling, greenhouse gas exchange  
Adaptations of wetlands to changes in salinity, water level, oil spills

**Paul W. Sammarco, Professor**  
Larval dispersal and recruitment processes in corals  
Zoogeography of corals on a continuum from highly localized to distant dispersal  
Artificial structures as attractants for coral species

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## K-12 & Teacher Programs

The table below shows the group types and total number of impacted visitors of LUMCON programs for FY13 & FY14. The numbers for field trips, camps, and workshops include all the people that attended these programs at the Marine Center. The numbers for outreach only include the people impacted by activities or programs offered by LUMCON educational staff away from the Marine Center.

Group Type	Total Number of Students	Total Number of Contact Hours
Field Trips	4,491	52,759
Camps	152	5,758
Teacher Workshops	372	3,742
Outreach Events	9,236	6,438

LUMCON's K-12 & Teacher Education programs continue to evolve and grow to meet the changes in the needs of today's students and teachers. To ensure that the program offerings remain current and relevant many new activities and laboratory offerings were modified or created to expose students to the changing understanding of our coastal systems. The Teacher Education program also continued to expand programs provided to teachers. During FYs 13 & 14 four new teacher workshops were hosted and completed with great successes. The teacher workshops hosted by LUMCON are in great demand and topics are generally those that will provide educators with the knowledge, skill sets, and resources they need to more effectively teach their students about Louisiana's coastal environments.

Program highlights:

**BayouSide Classroom** is a student-based water monitoring program in its 14<sup>th</sup> year. Teachers and students all over the state of Louisiana (and some from other parts of the country) are working to help monitor the health of their local aquatic systems. All the data being collected can be assessed from [www.lumcon.edu/bayousideclassroom](http://www.lumcon.edu/bayousideclassroom).

**Gulf Lagniappe** is a series of adult education workshops offered through the Coastal Waters Consortium and provide adults with the opportunity to meet scientists and learn how the research programs are working to learn more.

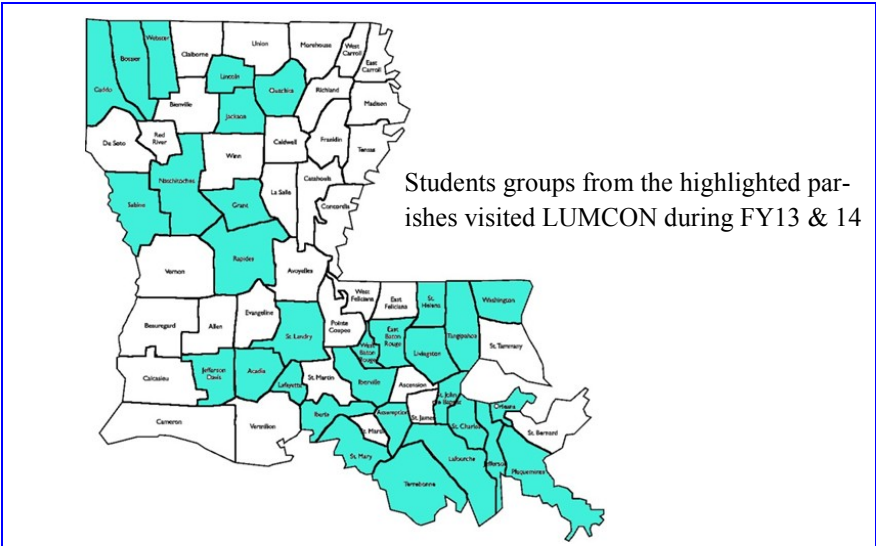
**Family Day Events** (Like Dads & Daughters Discovering Coastal Waters Science) are offered to the public to engage them in environmental education at LUMCON through 1-day workshops.

**LEAD Camp** is offered to provide an introduction to marine sciences. Offered every year this camp strives to increase the knowledge among high school students about marine science and environmental science.

**Ship Time & Shoreline** is a new teacher week-long teacher workshop that is designed to give teachers the experience of field research and understanding the many methods scientists use to collect environmental data.

**In-DEPTH Investigations**, a Louisiana Environmental Education Commission funded project, provided teachers with the knowledge and resources to build and use model remotely operated vehicles (ROVs) to help teach ocean literacy in their classrooms.

**Beyond the Bay** are teacher workshops that give teachers the opportunity to gain more insight into barrier islands and the important role they play in providing habitat and storm protection to all inhabitants of our coastal communities.

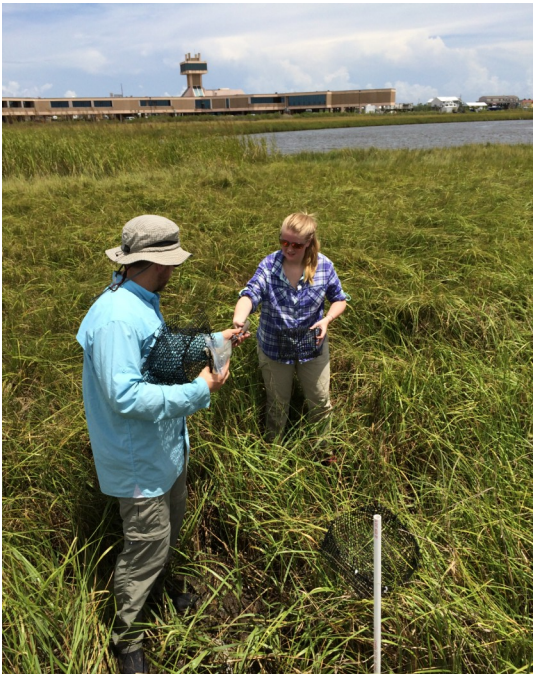




University Education Program

LUMCON’s University Program reaches undergraduate and graduate students from across Louisiana and the U.S.—over one hundred universities in the two fiscal years, with multiple trips for many.

University Education	2013	2014
Long Distance Video Course		13
Summer Classes	17	
	6	
	11	
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Intersession Course		7
Research Experience for Undergraduates	7	5



via video from the Marine Center, and have a field weekend in Cocodrie. Topics include recent changes in the coastal ocean and their implications, such as pollution, climate change, habit change, hypoxia, harmful algal blooms, coral reefs, coastal fisheries, coastal zone management, and others.

Summer students gain a unique experience of being immersed in the habitats of coastal Louisiana in all of the classes—from fresh to salt water marshes, coastal bays and nearshore Gulf of Mexico, deltas and crevasses, and barrier beaches. The courses are three- to four-weeks at the Marine Center in Cocodrie and carry credit with the university in which the student is enrolled.

Undergraduate research opportunities are available through LUMCON’s REU Program, which is sponsored by the National Science Foundation and the Gulf of Mexico Research Initiative. These students spend ten weeks in residence at the Marine Center working side-by-side with research faculty and senior research staff on individual projects from design through implementation and completion.

For students not able to be present for longer duration in the coastal landscape, LUMCON provides a long-distance video conference course, “Changing Coastal Oceans.” The students at member universities take this course from their campus



Following are three calendar year schedules for the R/V *Pelican* for 2012, 2013, and 2014. The cooperative agreement with the National Science Foundation University Naval-Oceanographic Laboratory System (UNOLS), of which the R/V *Pelican* is a member, works on a calendar year. The three calendar years overlap with FY2012-2013 and FY2013-2014.

SHIP OPERATING SCHEDULE CY 2012  
R/V PELICAN

Cruise Date	Map Index/Area/Purpose	P.I./Institution/Proposal No.	Ports	Days/Agency/Status/ Clearance
11-Jan to 17-Jan	NA9/GOM/Lagrangian Drifters	Singer, J./SAIC/M10PC00112	Cocodrie - Cocodrie	7/BOEM/F/No
4-Feb to 8-Feb	NA9/GOM/Mooring rotation	Williams, P./Fugro-GEOS/N/A	Cocodrie - Cocodrie	5/Other/F/No
12-Mar to 26-Mar	NA9/GOM/MAINTENANCE	Malbrough, J./LUMCON/N/A	Cocodrie - Cocodrie	15/Other/NON-OP
27-Mar to 28-Mar	NA9/GOM/Sediment Trap Cal	Poore, R./USGS/N/A	Cocodrie - Cocodrie	2/USGS/F/No
9-Apr to 14-Apr	NA9/GOM/Orca Basin Archaea	Pagani, M./Yale/N/A	Cocodrie - Cocodrie	6/Other/F/No
17-Apr to 21-Apr	NA9/GOM/Gas Hydrates SFO	Lutken, C./Ole Miss/N/A	Cocodrie - Cocodrie	5/BOEM/F/No
25-Apr to 30-Apr	NA9/GOM/MCH	DiMarco, S./TAMU/NCCOS-2009-2001466	Cocodrie - Cocodrie	6/NOAA/F/No
1-May to 2-May	NA9/GOM/Hypoxia	Rabalais, N./LUMCON/N/A	Cocodrie - Cocodrie	2/NOAA/F/No
10-May to 15-May	NA9/GOM/Deep-C	Speer, K./FSU/N/A	Cocodrie - Cocodrie	6/Other/F/No
21-May to 25-May	NA9/GOM/Nitrogen, Microbial	Gardner, W./UTMSI/NA07NOS4780225	Cocodrie - Cocodrie	5/NOAA/F/No
27-May to 31-May	NA9/GOM/Moorings	Williams, P./Fugro-GEOS/N/A	Cocodrie - Cocodrie	5/Other/F/No
5-Jun to 8-Jun	NA9/GOM/Sea Map	Delaune, S./LADWF/NA06NMF4350010	Cocodrie - Cocodrie	4/NOAA/F/No
9-Jun to 15-Jun	NA9/GOM/Sediment Strength	Furukawa, Y./NRLSSC/74-4246	Cocodrie - Cocodrie	7/NAVY/F/No
16-Jun to 17-Jun	NA9/GOM/Hypoxia	Rabalais, N./LUMCON/N/A	Cocodrie - Cocodrie	2/NOAA/F/No
18-Jun to 22-Jun	NA9/GOM/NIUST MBES Survey	Diercks, A./USM/N/A	Cocodrie - Cocodrie	5/Other/F/No
30-Jun to 2-Jul	NA9/GOM/CARTHE	Rosenheim, B./Tulane/	Cocodrie - Cocodrie	3/Other/F/No
5-Jul to 11-Jul	NA9/GOM/GTSR	DiMarco, S./TAMU/N/A	Cocodrie - Cocodrie	7/Other/F/No
16-Jul to 21-Jul	NA9/GOM/Gas Hydrates SFO	Lutken, C./Ole Miss/N/A	Cocodrie - Cocodrie	6/BOEM/F/No
22-Jul to 28-Jul	NA9/GOM/Hypoxia	Rabalais, N./LUMCON/N/A	Cocodrie - Cocodrie	7/NOAA/F/No
30-Jul to 4-Aug	NA9/GOM/Reproductive	Thomas, P./UTMSI/N/A	Cocodrie - Cocodrie	6/NOAA/F/No
7-Aug to 12-Aug	NA9/GOM/MCH	DiMarco, S./TAMU/NCCOS-2009-2001466	Cocodrie - Cocodrie	6/NOAA/F/No
14-Aug to 15-Aug	NA9/GOM/Sediment Trap Cal	Poore, R. /USGS/N/A	Cocodrie - Cocodrie	2/USGS/F/No
21-Aug to 22-Aug	NA9/GOM/Hypoxia	Rabalais, N./LUMCON/N/A	Cocodrie - Cocodrie	2/NOAA/F/No
24-Aug to 27-Aug	NA9/GOM/GRI	Rabalais, N./LUMCON/N/A	Cocodrie - Cocodrie	4/Other/F/No
2-Sep to 7-Sep	NA9/GOM/NIUST MBES Survey	Diercks, A./USM/N/A	Cocodrie - Cocodrie	6/Other/F/No
16-Sep to 21-Sep	NA9/GOM/Moorings	Williams, P./Fugro-GEOS/N/A	Cocodrie - Cocodrie	6/Other/F/No
24-Sep to 26-Sep	NA9/GOM/Gas Hydrates SFO	Lutken, C./Ole Miss/N/A	Cocodrie - Cocodrie	3/BOEMF/No
28-Sep to 8-Oct	NA9/GOM/NIUST MBES Survey	Diercks, A./USM/N/A	Cocodrie - Cocodrie	11/Other/F/No
30-Oct to 2-Nov	NA9/GOM/Sea Map	Delaune, S./LADWF/NA06NMF4350010	Cocodrie - Cocodrie	4/NOAA/F/No
10-Nov to 12-Nov	NA9/GOM/NIUST/ECOGIG	Highsmith, R./Ole Miss/N/A	Cocodrie - Cocodrie	3/Other/F/No
15-Nov to 17-Nov	NA9/GOM/GRI	Rabalais, N./LUMCON/N/A	Cocodrie - Cocodrie	3/Other/F/No
28-Nov to 20-Dec	NA9/GOM/GISR	Ledwell, J./WHOI/SA 12-09/GoMRI-006	Cocodrie - Cocodrie	23/Other/F/No
CY2012				
Agency		Funded	Proposed TOTAL	
BOEM		21	0	21
NAVY		7	0	7
NOAA		47	0	47
NSF		0	0	0
<u>Other</u>		<u>90</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>90</u>
TOTAL		169	0	169



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	6-Feb to 7-Feb	NA9/GOM/Sediment Trap Cal	Poore, R./USGS/N/A	Cocodrie - Cocodrie 2/USGS/F/No
	13-Feb to 18-Feb	NA9/GOM/Mooring Deployment	Szabo, D./WHG/N/A	Cocodrie - Cocodrie 6/Other/F/No
	26-Feb to 27-Feb	NA9/GOM/NSF Inspection	Malbrough, J./LUMCON/N/A	Cocodrie - Cocodrie 2/Other/NON-OP
	6-Mar to 9-Mar	NA9/GOM/NIUST/ECOGIG	Highsmith, R./Ole Miss/N/A	Cocodrie - Cocodrie 4/NOAA/F/No
	23-Mar to 27-Mar	NA9/GOM/Mooring Deployment	Willias, J./EDCON-PRJ/N/A	Cocodrie - Cocodrie 5/Other/F/No
	28-Mar to 31-Mar	NA9/GOM/Mooring Deployment	Szabo, D./WHG/N/A	Cocodrie - Cocodrie 4/Other/F/No
	2-Apr to 7-Apr	NA9/GOM/Sediment Strength	Furukawa, Y./NRL-SSC/N/A	Cocodrie - Cocodrie 6/NAVY/F/No
	16-Apr to 4-May	NA9/GOM/MC Seismic	Haines, S./USGS/N/A	Cocodrie - Cocodrie 19/USGS/F/No
	6-May to 15-May	NA9/GOM/NIUST MBES Survey	Diercks, A./USM/GRI	Cocodrie - Cocodrie 10/Other/F/No
	16-May to 19-May	NA9/GOM/Deep-C	Speer, K./FSU/N/A	Cocodrie - Cocodrie 4/Other/F/No
	20-May to 26-May	NA9/GOM/Peptide Hydrolysis	Liu, Z./UTMSI/OCE 1129660	Cocodrie - Cocodrie 7/NSF/F/No
	27-May to 1-Jun	NA9/GOM/Moorings	Williams, P./Fugro-GES/N/A	Cocodrie - Cocodrie 6/Other/F/No
	2-Jun to 11-Jun	NA9/GOM/NIUST/ECOGIG	Highsmith, R./Ole Miss/N/A	Cocodrie - Cocodrie 10/Other/F/No
	12-Jun to 15-Jun	NA9/GOM/Brine Seep	Joye, S./Georgia/BIO EF 08-01741	Cocodrie - Cocodrie 4/NSF/F/No
	17-Jun to 19-Jun	NA9/GOM/HOV	Hahn, C./Ocean Gate/N/A	Cocodrie - Cocodrie 3/Other/F/No
	24-Jun to 29-Jun	NA9/GOM/GoMRI/CARTHE	Rosenheim, B./Tulane/N/A	Cocodrie - Cocodrie 6/Other/F/No
	30-Jun to 3-Jul	NA9/GOM/Gas Hydrates SFO	Lutken, C./Ole Miss/N/A	Cocodrie - Cocodrie 4/BOEM/F/No
	6-Jul to 13-Jul	NA9/GOM/GISR	DiMarco, S/TAMU/N/A	Cocodrie - Cocodrie 8/Other/F/No
	21-Jul to 28-Jul	NA9/GOM/Hypoxia	Rabalais, N./LUMCON/N/A	Cocodrie - Cocodrie 8/NOAA/F/No
	31-Jul to 23-Aug	NA9/GOM/GISR Tracer	Ledwell, J./WHOI/SA 12-09/GoMRI	Cocodrie - Cocodrie 24/Other/F/No
	28-Aug to 29-Aug	NA9/GOM/Mooring Deployment	Szabo, D./WHG/N/A	Cocodrie - Cocodrie 2/Other/F/No
	30-Aug to 7-Sep	NA9/GOM/NIUST MBES Survey	Diercks, A./USM/N/A	Cocodrie - Cocodrie 9/Other/F/No
	9-Sep to 22-Sep	NA9/GOM/NASA GEOCAPE	Salisbury, J./UNH/N/A	Cocodrie - Cocodrie 14/NASA/F/No
	29-Sep to 3-Oct	NA9/GOM/Moorings	Williams, P./Fugro-GEOS/N/A	Cocodrie - Cocodrie 5/Other/F/No
	7-Oct to 14-Oct	NA9/GOM/NIUST/ECOGIG	Highsmith, R./Ole Miss/N/A	Cocodrie - Cocodrie 8/Other/F/No
	17-Oct to 20-Oct	NA9/GOM/GoMRI/CWC	Rabalais, N./LUMCON/N/A	Cocodrie - Cocodrie 4/Other/F/No
	4-Nov to 8-Nov	NA9/GOM/Seep Connectivity	Van Dover, C./Duke/BIO -1031051	Cocodrie - Cocodrie 5/NSF/F/No
	22-Nov to 23-Nov	NA9/GOM/Sediment Trap Cal	Reynolds, C./USGS/N/A	Cocodrie - Cocodrie 2/USGS/F/No

CY2013			
Agency	Funded	Proposed TOTAL	
BOEM	4	0	4
NASA	14	0	14
NAVY	6	0	6
NOAA	12	0	12
NSF	16	0	16
<u>Other</u>	<u>119</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>119</u>
TOTAL	194	0	194

SHIP OPERATING SCHEDULE CY 2014  
R/V PELICAN

Cruise Date	Map Index/Area/Purpose	P.I./Institution/Proposal No.	Ports	Days/Agency/ Status/Clearance
19 JAN to 27 JAN	NA9/GOM/Mooring rotation	Williams, P./Fugro-GEOS/N/A	Cocodrie - Cocodrie	9/Other/F/No
06 MAR to 13 MAR	NA9/GOM/ECOGIG	Highsmith, R./Ole Miss/N/A	Cocodrie - Cocodrie	8/GOMRI/F/No
14 MAR to 23 MAR	NA9/GOM/Oiled Shipwrecks	Hamdan, L./NRL-DC/N/A	Cocodrie - Cocodrie	10/NAVY/F/No
30 MAR to 02 APR	NA9/GOM/Moorings	Kurrus, K./EHI/N/A	Cocodrie - Cocodrie	4/Other/F/No
09 APR to 12 APR	NA9/GOM/Hydrates Sys. Dyna.	Lutken, C./Ole Miss/N/A	Cocodrie - Cocodrie	4/DOE/F/No
21 APR to 23 APR	NA9/GOM/Mooring Deployment	Szabo, D./WHG/N/A	Cocodrie - Cocodrie	3/Other/F/No
24 APR to 25 APR	NA9/GOM/UHSI Efficiency	Somerton, D./AFSC/N/A	Cocodrie - Cocodrie	2/NOAA/F/No
01 MAY to 06 MAY	NA9/GOM/ECOGIG	Highsmith, R./Ole Miss/N/A	Cocodrie - Cocodrie	6/GOMRI/F/No
07 MAY to 13 MAY	NA9/GOM/Turbulent Erosion	Briggs, K./NRL-SSC/N/A	Cocodrie - Cocodrie	7/NAVY/F/No
15 MAY to 24 MAY	NA9/GOM/ECOGIG AUV	Diercks, A./USM/N/A	Cocodrie - Cocodrie	10/GOMRI/F/No
25 MAY to 30 MAY	NA9/GOM/Moorings	Williams, P./Fugro-GEOS/N/A	Cocodrie - Cocodrie	6/Other/F/No
01 JUN to 02 JUN	NA9/GOM/Sediment Trap Cal	Reynolds, C./USGS/N/A	Cocodrie - Cocodrie	2/USGS/F/No
03 JUN to 05 JUN	NA9/GOM/Mooring Deployment	Szabo, D./WHG/N/A	Cocodrie - Cocodrie	3/Other/F/No
06 JUN to 18 JUN	NA9/GOM/OER Mesophotic AUV	Diercks, A./USM/N/A	Cocodrie - Cocodrie	13/NOAA/F/No
24 JUN to 02 JUL	NA9/GOM/GISR	DiMarco, S./TAMU/N/A	Cocodrie - Cocodrie	9/Other/F/No
07 JUL to 10 JUL	NA9/GOM/GoMRI/CARTHE	Rosenheim, B./Tulane/N/A	Cocodrie - Cocodrie	4/Other/F/No
13 JUL to 26 JUL	NA9/GOM/Oiled Shipwrecks	Hamdan, L./NRL-DC/N/A	Cocodrie - Cocodrie	14/NAVY/F/No
27 JUL to 02 AUG	NA9/GOM/Hypoxia	Rabalais, N./LUMCON/N/A	Cocodrie - Cocodrie	7/NOAA/F/No
03 AUG to 21 AUG	NA9/GOM/UHSI Efficiency	Somerton, D./AFSC/N/A	Cocodrie - Cocodrie	19/NOAA/F/No
25 AUG to 27 AUG	NA9/GOM/Multiple Invasive	Sammarco, P./LUMCON/N/A	Cocodrie - Cocodrie	3/BOEM/F/No
30 AUG to 06 SEP	NA9/GOM/Gas Hydrates SFO	Lutken, C./Ole Miss/N/A	Cocodrie - Cocodrie	8/BOEM/F/No
07 SEP to 14 SEP	NA9/GOM/Benthic Dredging	Rabalais, N./GoMRI/CWC	Cocodrie - Cocodrie	8/GOMRI/F/No
18 SEP to 25 SEP	NA9/GOM/ECOGIG	Highsmith, R./Ole Miss/N/A	Cocodrie - Cocodrie	8/GOMRI/F/No
28 SEP to 04 OCT	NA9/GOM/Moorings	Williams, P./Fugro-GEOS/N/A	Cocodrie - Cocodrie	7/Other/F/No
06 OCT to 10 OCT	NA9/GOM/SEAMAP	Delaune, S./LaDWF/N/A	Cocodrie - Cocodrie	5/State/F/No
11 OCT to 16 OCT	NA9/GOM/Galveston Tissue	Franks, J./EPA-R6/N/A	Cocodrie - Cocodrie	6/EPA/F/No
26 OCT to 29 OCT	NA9/GOM/SEAMAP	Gima, A./LaDWF/N/A	Cocodrie - Cocodrie	4/State/F/No
03 NOV to 05 NOV	NA9/GOM/Moorings	Gupte, K./BMT/N/A	Cocodrie - Cocodrie	3/Other/F/No
10 NOV to 12 NOV	NA9/GOM/Moorings	Kurrus, K./EHI/N/A	Cocodrie - Cocodrie	3/Other/F/No
01 DEC to 05 DEC	NA9/GOM/SEAMAP	Gima, A./LaDWF/N/A	Cocodrie - Cocodrie	5/State/F/No

CY2014			
Agency	Funded	Proposed	TOTAL
BOEM	11	0	11
DOE	4	0	4
EPA	6	0	6
GOMRI	40	0	40
NAVY	31	0	31
NOAA	41	0	41
State	14	0	14
Other	51	0	51
TOTAL	200	0	200

LUMCON RESEARCH GRANTS, July 1, 2012 TO June 30, 2013

NEW PROJECTS:

GRANTING ENTITY	FACULTY MEMBER(S)	AMOUNT OF AWARD	CONTRACT PERIOD	TITLE OF AWARD
LA DEPT. WILDLIFE & FISHERIES	DR. ED CHESNEY	\$ 79,164.00	07/01/2012 TO 06/30/2014	EVALUATING THE EFFECTS OF OIL & GAS EXPLOITATION REEF HABITAT FOR NEWLY RECRUITED SNAPPER
EPA	KERRY ST. PE	\$ 597,333.00	10/1/2012 THRU	BARATARIA TERREBONNE NATIONAL ESTUARY PROGRAM - FY 2013
DEPT. OF DEFENSE/ ARMY CORPS	DR. CHARLES SASSER	\$ 112,200.00	10/01/2012 TO 12/31/2013	CWPPRA, FY 13 PLANNING, PROJECT, PRIORITY - ACADEMIC ADVISORY GROUP - PPL#23
DEPT. OF DEFENSE/ ARMY CORPS	DR. NANCY RABALAIS / SUSAN BERGERON	\$ 10,000.00	10/01/2012 TO 04/01/2014	CWPPRA, FY 13 PLANNING, PROJECT, PRIORITY - ACADEMIC ADVISORY GROUP SUPPORT
GULF OF MEXICO ALLIANCE, INC./GoMRI	DR. ED CHESNEY	\$ 657,945.00	10/04/2012 TO 12/31/2013	DEFINING ECOLOGICALLY RELEVANT SUBLETHAL EFFECTS: HOW DO LEVELS OF EXPOSURE TO OIL AND DISPERSANTS AFFECT PERFORMANCE TO SURVIVAL OF LARVAE OF GULF NEKTON
COASTAL PROTECTION & RESTORATION AUTHORITY	KERRY ST. PE	\$ 136,355.00	01/01/2013 TO 12/31/2015	PIPING PLOVER AND NESTING BIRD SURVEYS AND PRE-CONSTRUCTION BENTHIC BENTHIC INVERTEBRATE SAMPLING
OFFICE OF NAVAL RESEARCH	J MALBROUGH	\$ 74,400.00	03/01/2013 TO 12/31/2013	SHIPTIME FOR NAVY PROJECTS - PELICAN 2013
NSF	J MALBROUGH	\$ 11,336.00	04/01/2013 TO 03/31/2014	OCEANOGRAPHIC TECHNICAL SERVICES, 2012-2016, R/V PELICAN
LA ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION COMMISSION/LDWF	JENNIFER "MURT" CONOVER	\$ 2,450.00	05/01/2013 TO '05/15/2014	IN-DEPTH INVESTIGATION: A TEACHER WORKSHOP ABOUT THE OCEAN
SUB-TOTAL		\$1,681,183		

RENEWED, EXTENDED PROJECTS:

TULANE - USGS	DR. ALEX KOLKER	\$ -	EXT. TO 09/22/2012	LOWER MISSISSIPPI DELTAIC PLAIN ENVIRONMENTAL OBSERVATORY: A USGS LONG-TERM ESTUARY ASSESSMENT GROUP (LEAG) COLLABORATION
LSU SEA GRANT/NOAA	DR. ED CHESNEY	\$ -	EXT. TO 09/30/2012	EXPANDING PRODUCTION OF COMMERCIAL FINFISH IN THE NGOM: DEVELOPMENT OF NOVEL SPAWNING PROTOCOLS FOR DIFFICULT TO SPAWN MARINE FISHES
BUREAU OF OCEAN ENERGY MNGMT	DR. PAUL SAMMARCO	\$ 173,613.00	NO CHANGE	DEEP-WATER RECONNAISSANCE OF POTENTIALLY SENSITIVE BIOLOGICAL FEATURES (PSBF'S) SURROUNDING SHELF-EDGE TOPOGRAPHIC BANKS IN THE NORTHERN GULF OF MEXICO
DEPT. OF DEFENSE - US ARMY CORPS	KERRY ST. PE	\$ -	EXT. TO 09/30/2012	CWPPRA, PLANNING, FY10 OUTREACH VIDEO & PHOTO
DEPT. OF DEFENSE - US ARMY CORPS	KERRY ST. PE	\$ -	EXT. TO 12/31/2012	CWPPRA, PLANNING, FY11 OUTREACH VIDEO & PHOTO



Renewed, Extended Projects (continued):

GRANTING ENTITY	FACULTY MEMBER(S)	ADDITIONAL AWARD	CONTRACT PERIOD	TITLE OF AWARD
LSU SEA GRANT - OCPR	DR. ALEX KOLKER	\$ 50,000.00	06/01/11 THRU	COASTAL SCIENCE ASSISTANSHIP PROGRAM (CSAP) WETLAND FORMATION FROM
NOAA/NCCOS	DR. NANCY RABALAIS	\$ 210,897.00	NO CHANGE	NGOMEX09: INTEGRATED ECOSYSTEM MODELING OF THE CAUSES OF HYPOXIA AMENDMENT - YEAR 3 FUNDS ADDED
NOAA/NCCOS	DR. MICHAEL DAGG	\$ 25,293.00	NO CHANGE	NGOMEX 2009 - MECHANISMS CONTROLLING HYPOXIA: INTEGRATED CAUSAL MODELING - YEAR 4 FUNDS ADDED
BOR - LEQSF	CHANGE PI TO DR. ALEX KOLKER	\$ -	EXT. TO 06/30/2013	BOR ENHANCEMENT SUPPORT FUND: ENHANCEMENT OF CAPABILITIES TO ANALYZE IMPACTS OF ENVIRONMENTAL CHANGE ON ECOSYSTEM PROCESSES IN COASTAL LOUISIANA
TEXAS A&M RESEARCH FNDTN/NOAA	DR. NANCY RABALAIS	\$ 45,000.00	EXT. TO 05/31/2016	CONTINUED SUPPORT OF GCOOS-RA DATA PORTAL, YEAR 2
NSF	DR. BRIAN ROBERTS	\$ 74,189.00	EXT. TO 03/31/2013	REU SITE: INTERDISCIPLINARY RESEARCH EXPERIENCES IN CHANGING COASTAL ENVIRONMENTS (YEAR 2)
NSF	DR. BRIAN ROBERTS	\$ 74,674.00	EXT. TO 03/31/2014	REU SITE: INTERDISCIPLINARY RESEARCH EXPERIENCES IN CHANGING COASTAL ENVIRONMENTS (YEAR 3)
STATE OF FL - EPA	MURT CONOVER	\$ 25,613.12	EXT. TO 02/01/2012	GULF ALLIANCE PARTNERSHIP (YEAR 2) - EXPERIENTIAL ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION PROJECT BY LUMCON
BUREAU OF OCEAN ENERGY MNGMT REGULATION, AND ENFORCEMENT (BOEM) - FORMALLY MMS	DR. PAUL SAMMARCO	\$ -	EXT. TO 4/30/2013	NEW INVASIVE MARINE SPECIES COLONIZING OIL/GAS PLATFORMS IN THE NORTHERN GULF OF MEXICO: VERIFICATION AND EXAMINATION OF SPREAD
SUB-TOTAL:		\$679,279.00		
TOTAL:		\$2,360,462.00		

LUMCON RESEARCH GRANTS, July 1, 2013 TO June 30, 2014

NEW PROJECTS:

GRANTING ENTITY	FACULTY MEMBER(S)	AMOUNT OF AWARD	CONTRACT PERIOD	TITLE OF AWARD
LSU - OFFICE OF COASTAL PROTECTION AND RESTORATION (OCPR)	DR. BRIAN ROBERTS	\$25,000.00	06/01/2013 TO 5/31/2014	COASTAL SCIENCE ASSISTANSHIP PROGRAM (CSAP)
UNIVERSITY OF LOUISIANA AT LAFAYETTE / NOAA / NMFS	JENNIFER "MURT" CONOVER	\$11,376.00	07/01/2013 TO 05/31/2015	A WATERSHED EDUCATION: WATER QUALITY AND GIS ANALYSIS ON BAYOU VERMILION
NORTH LAFOURCHE CONSERVATION, LEVEE AND DRAINAGE DISTRICT	KERRY ST. PE	\$20,000.00	08/29/2013 TO 12/21/2013	COOPERATIVE ENDEAVOR - LOWER BAYOU FOLSE PROPOSED WETLAND CREATION AND DREDGING PROJECT
DEPT. OF DEFENSE/ ARMY CORPS	DR. CHARLES SASSER	\$112,000.00	10/01/2013 TO 04/01/2014	CWPPRA, FY 14 PLANNING, PROJECT, PRIORITY - ACADEMIC ADVISORY GROUP - PPL#24
DEPT. OF DEFENSE/ ARMY CORPS	SUSAN BERGERON	\$11,990.00	10/01/2013 TO	ACADEMIC ADVISORY GROUP MEETING SUPPORT
EPA	KERRY ST. PE	\$512,000.00	10/1/2013 THROUGH 09/30/2018	BARATARIA TERREBONNE NATIONAL ESTUARY PROGRAM - FY 2014
WATER INSTITUTE OF THE GULF/CPRA	DR. ALEX KOLKER	\$49,880.00	12/01/2013 THROUGH 09/01/2014	STRATGRAPHIC DEVELOPMENT OF CERVASSE SPLAY ISLANDS IN WEST BAY
STRATUS CONSULTING/LOSCO/CPRA/ NRDA	DR. ED CHESNEY	\$174,380.03	01/15/2014 THROUGH 1/14/2015	POTENTIAL LETHAL AND SUBLETHAL EFFECTS OF DEEPWATER HORIZON (DWH) OIL AND /OR DISPERSANT OF GULF MENHADEN AND BAY ANCHOVY
LAKE PONTCHARTRAIN BASIN FOUNDATION	DR. ALEX KOLKER	\$16,500.00	02/27/2014 THROUGH 08/31/2014	BERYLLIUM-7 ANALYSIS FROM MARDI GRAS PASS
NATIONAL AUDUBON SOCIETY, INC	DR. ALEX KOLKER	\$14,886.00	04/01/2014 THROUGH 09/30/2014	DEVELOPMENT OF DELTAIC ISLANDS IN THE WEST BAY RECEIVING BASIN
VAISALA	DR NANCY RABALAIS	\$1,200.00	06/01/2014 THROUGH 05/31/2015	LIGHTNING DETECTION SENSOR SIGHT AGREEMENT
	SUB-TOTAL	949,212		

RENEWED, EXTENDED PROJECTS:

GRANTING ENTITY	FACULTY MEMBER(S)	ADDITIONAL AWARD	CONTRACT PERIOD	TITLE OF AWARD
BUREAU OF OCEAN ENERGY MNGMT REGULATION, AND ENFORCEMENT (BOEM) - FORMALLY MMS	DR. PAUL SAMMARCO	\$124,881.00	NO CHANGE	DEEP-WATER RECONNAISSANCE OF POTENTIALLY SENSITIVE BIOLOGICAL FEATURES (PSBF'S) SURROUNDING SHELF-EDGE TOPOGRAPHIC BANKS IN THE NORTHERN GULF OF MEXICO
LSU SEA GRANT - NOAA	DR. ALEX KOLKER AND DR. BRIAN ROBERTS	\$44,987.00	EXT. TO 01/31/2014	SEDIMENT DYNAMICS AND BIOGEOCHEMICAL CYCLING IN A DEVELOPING DELTAIC SYSTEM: UNDERSTANDING LAND BUILDING AND HABITAT QUALITY IN A RIVER DIVERSION -AMENDMENT 1 (1/2 FUNDING)
LSU SEA GRANT - NOAA	DR. ALEX KOLKER AND DR. BRIAN ROBERTS	\$44,986.00	NO CHANGE	SEDIMENT DYNAMICS AND BIOGEOCHEMICAL CYCLING IN A DEVELOPING DELTAIC SYSTEM: UNDERSTANDING LAND BUILDING AND HABITAT QUALITY IN A RIVER SYSTEM
NOAA/NCCOS	DR. NANCY RABALAIS	\$210,868.00	EXT. TO 08/31/2014	NGOMEX09: INTEGRATED ECOSYSTEM MODELING OF THE CAUSES OF HYPOXIA AMENDMENT - YEAR 5 FUNDS ADDED
NOAA/NCCOS	DR. MICHAEL DAGG	\$33,512.00	EXT. TO 08/31/2014	NGOMEX 2009 - MECHANISMS CONTROLLING HYPOXIA: INTEGRATED CAUSAL MODELING - YEAR 5 FUNDS ADDED
EPA	KERRY ST. PE	0	EXT TO 09/30/2015	BARATARIA-TERREBONNE NATIONAL ESTUARY PROGRAM - FY11

Renewed, Extended Projects (continued):				
GRANTING ENTITY	FACULTY MEMBER(S)	ADDITIONAL AWARD	CONTRACT PERIOD	TITLE OF AWARD
EPA	KERRY ST. PE	0	EXT. TO 09/30/2016	BARATARIA-TERREBONNE NATIONAL ESTUARY PROGRAM - FY12
GULF OF MEXICO ALLI- ANCE / GoMRI	DR. ED CHESNEY	\$0.00	EXT. TO 12/31/2014	DEFINING ECOLOGICALLY RELEVANT SUB- LETHAL EFFECTS: HOW DO LEVELS OF EXPO- SURE TO OIL AND DISPERSANTS AFFECT PER- FORMANCE TO SURVIVAL
DEPT. OF DEFENSE/ARMY CORPS/USGS	DR. NANCY RABALAIS AND SUSAN BERGERON	\$ -	EXT. TO '04/01/2014	CWPPRA, FY 13 PUBLIC OUTREACH SUPPORT
LSU / BP EXPLORATION & PROD. INC.	DR ED CHESNEY	\$ -	EXT. TO 12/31/2013	BIOLOGICAL IMPACTS OF OIL DISPERSANT ON FISH FAUNA OF DEEP WATERS: ASSESSING IMPACTS OF THE DEEPWATER HORIZON EVENTS
BOEM	DR. PAUL SAMMARCO	\$ -	EXT. TO '04/30/2015	NEW INVASIVE MARINE SPECIES COLONIZING OIL/GAS PLATFORMS IN THE NORTHERN GULF OF MEXICO: VERIFICATION AND EXAMINATION OF SPREAD
DEPT. OF DEFENSE/ARMY CORPS	DR. NANCY RABALAIS AND SUSAN BERGERON	\$ -	EXT. TO '09/30/2014	CWPPRA, FY 13 PLANNING, PROJECT, PRIORITY - ACADEMIC. ADVISORY GROUP SUPPORT
LSU SEA GRANT - NOAA	DR. ALEX KOLKER AND DR. BRIAN ROBERTS	\$ -	EXT. TO '05/31/2014	SEDIMENT DYNAMICS AND BIOGEOCHEMICAL CYCLING IN A DEVELOPING DELTAIC SYSTEM: UNDERSTANDING LAND BUILDING AND HABITAT QUALITY IN A RIVER DIVERSION -AMENDMENT 3
NSF	JOE MALBROUGH	\$24,300.00	NO CHANGE	SHIP OPERATIONS - 2012 - AMENDMENT 2
NSF	JOE MALBROUGH	\$40,500.00	NO CHANGE	SHIP OPERATIONS - 2012 AMENDMENT 3
LA DEPT. WILDLIFE & FISH- ERIES	DR. ED CHESNEY	\$63,199.00	EXT TO '06/30/2015	EVALUATING THE EFFECTS OF OIL & GAS EX- PLOITATION REEF HABITAT FOR NEWLY RE- CRUITED SNAPPER - YR 2 FUNDS AND EXTEN- SION
DEPT. OF DEFENSE/ARMY CORPS	DR. NANCY RABALAIS AND SUSAN BERGERON	\$ -	EXT TO '04/01/2015	CWPPRA, FY 13 PUBLIC OUTREACH SUPPORT
DEPT. OF DEFENSE/NAVY	JOE MALBROUGH	\$96,000.00	EXT TO '06/30/2014	NAVY SHIPTIME - R/V PELICAN 2013
NOAA/NCCOS	DR. MICHAEL DAGG	\$13,938.00	EXT TO '08/31/2015	NGOMEX 2009 - MECHANISMS CONTROLLING HYPOXIA: INTEGRATED CAUSAL MODELING - SHIP FUNDS ADDED
NOAA/NCCOS	DR. NANCY RABALAIS	\$118,002.00	EXT TO '08/31/2015	NGOMEX09: INTEGRATED ECOSYSTEM MODEL- ING OF THE CAUSES OF HYPOXIA SHIP FUNDS ADDED - AMENDMENT 6
LA ENVIRONMENTAL EDU- CATION COMMISSION/ LDWF	JENNIFER "MURT" CONOVER	\$2,492.00	05/16/2014 TO '05/31/2015	BIODIVERSITY AND SUSCEPTABILITY OF LOUISI- ANA SALT MARSHES
COASTAL PROTECTION RESTORATION AUTHOR- ITY	KERRY ST. PE	\$33,228.00	NO CHANGE	PIPING PLOVER AND NESTING BIRD SURVEYS AND PRE-CONSTRUCTION BENTHIC INVERTE- BRATE SAMPLING
TEXAS A&M RESEARCH FNDTN/NOAA	DR. NANCY RABALAIS	\$30,000.00	EXT TO '05/31/2015	CONTINUED SUPPORT OF GCOOS-RA DATA PORTAL, YEAR 2
NOAA/NCCOS	DR. NANCY RABALAIS	\$ -	EXT TO '08/31/2015	NGOMEX09: INTEGRATED ECOSYSTEM MODEL- ING OF THE CAUSES OF HYPOXIA SHIP FUNDS ADDED - NCE
BUREAU OF OCEAN EN- ERGY MANAGEMENT (BOEM)	DR. PAUL SAMMARCO	\$20,830.50	EXT TO '12/31/2015	GENETIC AFFINITIES IN POPULATIONS OF THE INVASIVE INDO-PACIFIC CORAL TUBASTRAEA MICANTHUS ON THE NORTHERN GOM PLAT- FORMS: MULTIPLE INVASIONS
COSORTIUM FOR OCEAN LEADERSHIP / GULF OF MEXICO RESEARCH INITIA- TIVE	DR. NANCY RABALAIS	\$0.00	EXT TO 12/31/2015	COASTAL WATERS CONSORTIUM MASTER RE- SEARCH GRANT
	SUB-TOTAL	\$901,724.00		
	GRAND TOTAL	\$1,850,936.00		



