



ABOUT

The East Baton Rouge Stormwater Master Plan (SMP) is the guiding document for the implementation of overall flood risk reduction projects and policies for the City-Parish. The planning process is three-phased.

**PHASE
1**

Implementation Framework

**PHASE
2**

Watershed Evaluation & Stormwater Master Plan Recommendations

**PHASE
3**

Development of 20-Year Stormwater Capital Improvement Plan

- The planning process is currently in Phase 2 -

MONTHLY MITIGATION MOMENT

WATER STORAGE

- ◆ During a rainstorm, rivers and streams can swell and overflow their banks into natural flood storage areas like floodplains and wetlands. These areas store excess water during rainstorms and gradually release it after the storm's peak. Urban development can have negative effects on the natural water storage areas near streams. It can sever streams from storage spaces, as well as restrict water channels causing them to overflow into developed areas during large rain events. Building in these storage areas comes with significant flood risk and can significantly alter the natural hydrology of a region.

YOU ASKED. WE LISTENED.

What is the current City-Parish's maintenance schedule?

Mayor-President Sharon Weston Broome announced this month an additional \$20 million of American Rescue Plan funds will be used for drainage improvements. Since the Metro Council approved the first rounds of funds in June 2021 for drainage initiatives, the City has cleaned 3,800 storm drains and pipes—removing 3.9 million pounds of sediment and debris.

3.9M million pounds = 200 dump trucks



The \$20M additional funds will be used for:

- \$6 million for drainage box and pipe cleaning
- \$1 million for roadside drainage cave-ins
- \$1 million for roadside ditch cleaning
- \$1.4 million for engineering/project management
- \$5 million for Jones Creek Watershed drainage improvements
- \$5.6 million for channel clearing and grubbing

"Major drainage projects can never come fast enough, and that's why I continue to fight for even more flood relief in East Baton Rouge Parish," said Mayor Broome. "Whether it's our \$20 million Drainage Initiative happening right now or the larger capital projects that we continue to push forward — help is on the way!"

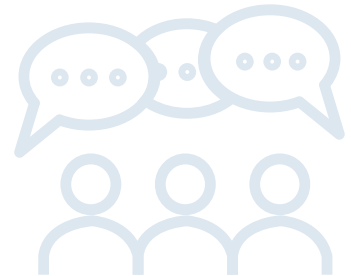
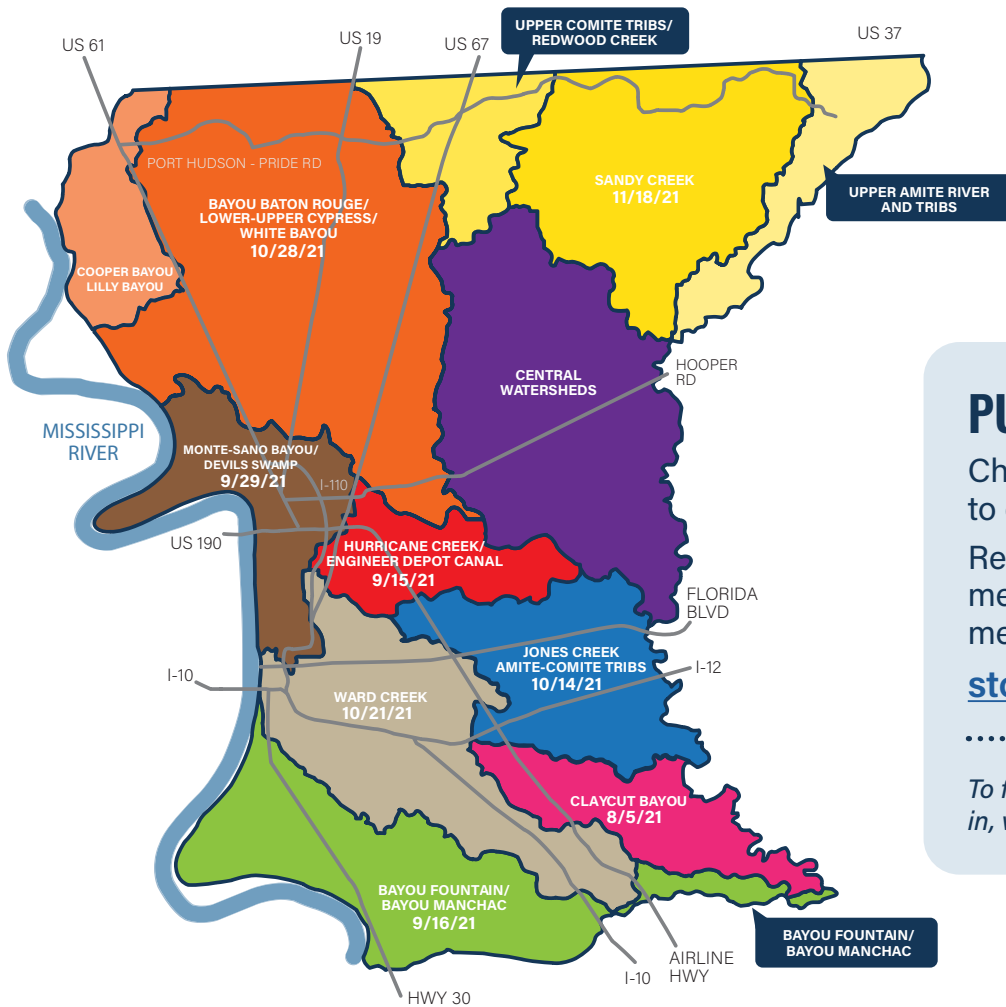
For more information on projects in your area, visit stormwater.brla.gov.

IN THE NEWS

Check out our website for the latest news on the Stormwater Master Plan, drainage projects and updates:

- ◆ [Bayou Manchac is Key to Stopping Floods. East Baton Rouge and Ascension Want to Clean It Out.](#) The Advocate, Sept. 23, 2021.
- ◆ [A Watershed Moment.](#) Baton Rouge Business Report, Sept. 23, 2021.
- ◆ [Baton Rouge Leaders Want More Money to Fight Floods. But How Will They Get It?](#) The Advocate, Aug. 10, 2021.

PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT



PUBLIC MEETINGS

Check out the map for dates to our public meetings!

Register for upcoming meetings, or checkout past meetings at:

stormwater.brla.gov

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