

LaNERR Public Town Hall Meetings Slated

The search for a **National Estuarine Research Reserve** in Louisiana wants to involve you!

Proposed Site: Atchafalaya Basin

The LaNERR Site Development Committee will be hosting a series of TOWN HALL MEETINGS to provide information on three alternative sites that have been proposed: Atchafalaya Basin, Barataria Basin, and Pontchartrain Basin. Town Hall meetings have been organized (virtual attendance only) for each of the three sites. Below see the schedule summary that describes three time and date opportunities available for the **Atchafalaya Basin** proposed site. Webinar links are specific to each of the Town Hall Meetings and are provided below in the schedule summary.

The National Estuarine Research Reserve System is a network of estuarine areas representative of the various biogeographic regions in the United States. Reserves are established for long-term research, education, stewardship, and interpretation to promote informed management of the nation's estuaries and coastal habitats. A reserve represents a partnership program between NOAA and coastal states. NOAA will provide funding and national guidance, and each site is managed on a daily basis by a lead state agency with input from local partners.

Virtual Attendance Only by using the **Webinar Links** provided below. Registration is required when you click on the respective Town Hall Meeting webinar link.

Town Hall Meeting Schedule: Atchafalaya Basin Site

(registration will be required when you join the webinar link)

Location	Date	Time	Webinar Link
Atchafalaya Basin	Wednesday, September 8	6-8pm	Join this Webinar
Atchafalaya Basin	Tuesday, September 14	12-2pm	Join this Webinar
Atchafalaya Basin	Thursday, September 16	6-8pm	Join this Webinar

Agenda for Each Town Hall Meeting:

- 1. What is a National Estuarine Research Reserve System Kristin Ransom, NOAA
- 2. Introduction to LaNERR Process Robert Twilley, Professor, LSU
- 3. Presentation by the specific LaNERR Alternative Site Team.
- 4. Public Q&A
- 5. Adjourn

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