

Managing Invasive Species in Coastal Wetland Restoration Projects: A Participatory Workshop to Identify Trends, Innovative Approaches and Research Needs

**Thursday, December 15th, 2016
8:30am – 4:00pm**

**Restore America's Estuaries & The Coastal Society 2016 Summit:
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New Orleans, LA**

AGENDA

- 8:30 am – 9:00 am: Welcome & Introductions – Myra Price, EPA and Jeanne Christie, ASWM
- 9:00 am – 9:30 am: Bioinvasions in a Changing World: A Resource on Invasive Species-Climate Change Interactions for Conservation and Natural Resource Management (Thomas Hall, Environmental Coordinator/Wildlife Biologist, USDA APHIS)
- 9:30 am – 10:00 am: Nutria Overview & History (Jennifer Hogue Manuel, Biologist Supervisor, Furbearer Biologist, Louisiana Dept. of Wildlife & Fisheries)
- 10:00 am – 10:30 am: Louisiana Coastwide Nutria Control Program (Catherine Normand, Biologist, Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries)
- 10:30 am – 10:45 am: Break
- 10:45 am – 11:15 am: A Collaborative National Strategy to Manage Feral Swine Impacts in the U.S. (Wendy Anderson, National Feral Swine Program Asst. Manager, TWS Certified Wildlife Biologist, USDA APHIS)
- 11:15 am – 11:45 pm: Feral Swine Case Study (Dwight LeBlanc, State Director, USDA APHIS Louisiana Wildlife Services)
- 11:45 pm – 12:45 pm: Lunch break
- 12:45 pm – 1:15 pm: Giant Salvinia Overview & History (Jillian Day, Louisiana Department of Wildlife & Fisheries)
- 1:15 pm – 1:45 pm: Giant Salvinia in Louisiana Coastal Marshes (Ronald Paille, Senior Field Biologist, U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service)
- 1:45 pm – 2:15 pm: Monitoring Invasive FAV, Focusing on Salvinia Bio-control Effectiveness (Julie Whitbeck, PhD, Ecologist, Jean Lafitte National Historical Park and Preserve)
- 2:15 pm – 2:30 pm: Break
- 2:30 pm – 3:00 pm: Water Hyacinth Overview & History (Lori Moshman, Louisiana State University)
- 3:00 pm – 3:30 pm: Facilitated group discussion to explore the information presented, share experiences/knowledge, identify gaps in knowledge, identify needs and next steps (Rodrigo Diaz, Assistant Professor, Department of Entomology, Louisiana State University)
- 3:30 pm – 4:00 pm: Wrap Up – Identify best practices and needs to improve management/prevention efforts in the Gulf Coast region as well as potential next steps (Jeanne Christie, Executive Director, Association of State Wetland Managers)