# IOOS Advisory Committee January 21 - 23, 2025 Meeting Logistics

## **Travel Logistics**

Nearest Airport New Orleans (MSY)
Jan 20 or morning of Jan 21 - Travel to Houma
Jan 21-23 - IOOS AC Meeting
Jan 23 or Jan 24 - Travel home

Hotels:

Fairfield Inn Houma Courtyard Houma

## **Meeting Location**

Lecture Hall @ LUMCON Blue Works, 335 Dickson Rd., Houma, LA

- No security/locked doors
- Desk of Office Manager Dee-Dee St. Clergy by front door and she can escort guests if needed
- Laura will bring some printed signs.

## **Parking**

- No limitations on parking (no parking passes required, no reserved spaces)
- Do recommend trying to carpool with other members from hotel where possible

#### <u>Meals</u>

	Breakfast	Lunch	Dinner
Jan 21	On your own; coffee/water available at meeting venue	On your own	Group dinner TBD
Jan 22	On your own; coffee/water available at meeting venue	Lunch at field trip site	On your own
Jan 23	On your own; coffee/water available at meeting venue	Ordering in lunch (self pay)	On your own

## Field Trip (afternoon Jan 22)

- Travel 30 minutes from meeting site to the Pointe au Chien Indian Tribe (PACIT)
- Lunch with PACIT
  - o Menu:
    - Shrimp Jambalaya
    - White beans (vegetarian; no meat added)
    - Fried fish
    - assorted fruit and veggies
    - crawfish meat pies

- king cake
- Taken on a 1 hour boat trip to see restoration projects, environment surrounding the community, oyster beds, etc. (Bring rain jacket, tennis shoes or other closed toed shoes that can get wet)
- Return to Community Center and enjoy recently caught seafood products while listening to presentations
  - o PACIT member community history, activities, challenges and projects
  - Dr. Math Bethel (LSU) living shorelines restoration and other projects with the community
  - o Dr. Brian Robert- plan for IOOS-funded IRA project with the community

#### **Pre-Meeting Assignment**

**Reminder** - This assignment is due back to the IOOS office by January 8. Courtney sent in an email December 6. Tasks were:

- Provide 3 suggested ocean observing priorities for a letter for the new NOAA Administration
- Provide 3 suggested topics for the Committee to address in its work plan over the next 3 years