GRAND CAILLOU ENVIRONMENTAL, CULTURAL, AND BUSINESS CENTER

In areas projected to experience moderate future flood risk, it will be important to cluster goods and services in central locations where they will be easier to protect. In Terrebonne Parish, three abandoned elementary schools are available to repurpose in support of this goal: Grand Caillou Elementary in Dulac and Boudreaux Canal Elementary and Little Caillou Elementary Schools in Chauvin. Potential uses to support existing residents include a wetland discovery center; an ecotourism business incubator; a language cultural center and seafood processing with direct retail opportunities. Grand Caillou Elementary is adjacent to the Dulac branch library and the Grand Caillou Recreation Center, creating a centralized area for amenities and services.

**Community Benefits**
- Green infrastructure on the campus will capture and slow water runoff. A wetland discovery center would educate visitors on the value of Terrebonne’s wetlands and natural systems.
- Provides green space, sports fields, walking paths and habitat.
- Provides training, services and products needed by residents and businesses.
- Incubators assist business startups and retrain residents in emerging business opportunities. Support entrepreneurial spirit of residents.

**Key Info**
- **Project Area:** 15 acres
- **LA SAFE Investment:** Up to $6 million
- **Estimated Project Cost:** $7.3 million
- **Partners:** Levee District; Nonprofit Grants; Property Owner
- **Location:** Grand Caillou Elementary, Boudreaux Canal Elementary, Little Caillou Elementary

**COMMENTS**