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APPENDIX A

DECENTRALIZATION OF DOD ACTIVITIES FROM NCR

TAB A 1975 House Report on Department of Defense National
 Capital Region Population

TAB B SECDEF Memo of 24 February 1972

Mr. SIKES. Thank you, Mr. Secretary.

The committee acknowledges the presence of Mr. Sheridan, Mr. Fliakas, Mr. Gerber, and others among the supporting witnesses. Mr. Sheridan and Mr. Fliakas have been with us for years and probably could conduct this hearing about as well as any of us.

Mr. SULLIVAN. That is impossible, Mr. Chairman. I mean that sincerely.

Mr. SIKES. Would you or Perry like to add anything to what has been said?

Mr. SHERIDAN. No, sir.

We are available for questions. Thank you.

Mr. FLIAKAS. We thank you for your support.

RELOCATION OUT OF WASHINGTON

Mr. SIKES. Mr. Secretary, this committee has had a strong interest over a period years, in the relocation of activities away from the Washington area to avoid the growing concentration of Government activities here. This would assist the families of personnel assigned to Washington by town living costs, since Washington is one of the most expensive cities in the country, and to, to some degree, lessen the attractiveness of Washington as a military target. We seem to make very little progress in this field. Everybody wants to be close to the throne, everything significant being accomplished in the fiscal 1975 budget as far as relocation of activities away from Washington.

Mr. MENDOLIA. We have some studies underway, Mr. Chairman.

Mr. SIKES. Oh, but that is a bad word. That is a replay of what was said in the last appearance by the Assistant Secretary for I & L. Those studies just go on and on. Are there any specific actions of which you can advise this committee. Please call on your supporting witnesses.

Mr. MENDOLIA. Mr. Sheridan, do we have any in fiscal 1975?

Mr. SHERIDAN. We had a proposal on the relocation of the Defense Fuels Center from Alexandria, the Cameron Station area, to Richmond. This was prior to the fuel energy crisis and it is going to be rather difficult to go ahead with that. That involved about 400 people, didn't it, Mr. Kerr?

Mr. KERR. Yes.

Mr. SHERIDAN. Four hundred people, and that was the only one that we had in hand ready to move.

Mr. SIKES. Why is it so difficult to decide which functions can properly be moved away from Washington? It certainly is not necessary that so many offices be close to the Pentagon headquarters.

Mr. SHERIDAN. Mr. Chairman, as you are aware, we have very strict criteria for the increase in the Washington area from outside of Washington, and we feel that that is the first step in trying to cut down the size of the establishment here in the Nation's Capital. We have submitted that for the record previously, and it is a very tough

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set of regulations on why something has to be relocated from the field to Washington. That is step No. 1.

Step No. 2 is what we are trying to do now, to reduce what is already here as well as to eliminate additional facilities coming in here.

Mr. SIKES. Were there any reductions in fiscal 1974?

Mr. SHERIDAN. Mr. Kerr, our Director of Real Property Management.

Mr. KERR. Mr. Chairman, I believe that maybe this year we will be looking a little bit better than we have previously in your eyes. For example, the Navy recently announced the movement of substantial number of people from BuPers, Bureau of Personnel, to New Orleans. That will be around 2,100 spaces out of the Nation's Capital.

The Navy estimates that they will meet their quota for either relocation or decrease in population here in the Nation's Capital probably by 1977.

If I could go off the record just for a moment, I would like to.

Mr. SIKES. All right.

[Discussion off the record.]

Mr. KERR. Going back on the record now, I believe that we are closer to achieving this goal under the teeth-to-tail ratio situation of our present Secretary because it becomes a part of that overall situation, and it causes reduction in headquarters staffs as well as our looking at our field headquarters as possible backfills.

Mr. SIKES. The committee certainly is much more concerned about it than the Department of Defense appears to be. We have one weapon. We can withhold appropriations for new facilities. But you simply move into new rental quarters so you wouldn't be hurt very much by our withholding appropriations, and new rental facilities are springing up in every direction all the time.

Unless we can have the cooperation of the Department of Defense, we are not going to get anywhere. It remains incomprehensible to this committee that there is such a tendency to add activities in and around Washington rather than distributing them around the Nation.

Mr. SHERIDAN. In line with that, the President had a program for decentralizing Federal Government activities into select areas of the country, and that, of course, would be the major effort of the Federal Government to put responsibility locally. That project is having a real rough time getting off the ground. If that starts and makes progress, I think we will be in better shape.

Mr. SIKES. The committee would like to be kept informed of what progress is made and what proposals are currently under consideration.

[The information follows:]

In regard to reducing the concentration of Department of Defense activities and personnel out of the Washington area, it was mentioned earlier that the Navy recently announced the relocation of its Bureau of Personnel to New Orleans which will reduce the DOD population in the Washington area by approximately 2,100 personnel. Also, the Secretary of Defense announced a reduction of 630

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Feb 24, 1972

MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARIES OF THE MILITARY DEPARTMENTS
AND DIRECTORS OF THE DEFENSE AGENCIES

SUBJECT: Reduction of Defense Activities in the National Capital
Region

There is a need to reduce defense activities in the National Capital Region (NCR). Many defense activities can perform their essential functions elsewhere outside the NCR. Due to reducing force levels, there are many military installations in the United States with adequate space to accommodate activities relocated from the NCR. Accordingly, a long-range plan to reduce defense activities and facilities in the NCR has been developed and approved.

In order to implement this plan, the Military Departments are being allocated targets of administrative space in the NCR to be vacated over the next five years by reduction or relocation of activities based upon the space occupied in June 1969. These targets are attached as enclosure (1) along with the total administrative space in the NCR occupied by the Military Departments in June 1969.

Administrative space vacated as a result of reduction or relocation of activities since June 1969, may be applied to these targets. These targets apply to all categories of administrative space, i.e., on military installations or in General Services Administration leased/owned facilities.

Nomination of specific activities which will be consolidated or relocated from the NCR over the next five years based upon the attached targets should be submitted to this office for review and approval by May 15, 1972. In order to provide alternative proposals, each Military Department should nominate activities to be consolidated or relocated from the NCR which will exceed their target to vacate administrative facilities by 15%. A list of all the activities nominated in recommended priority order should also be provided.

Selection of activities to be nominated for relocation from the NCR will be carefully accomplished in order to enable the activity to carry out its mission and be relocated with minimum cost and personnel turbulence. New construction of facilities for relocated activities will be kept to an absolute minimum. In addition, new construction which may be forwarded as a requirement for relocation will be separately justified in detail to

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include recommended alternative solutions. The information required by the attached format will be provided for each activity nominated for consolidation, reduction or relocation which will vacate space in the MCR.

Directors of Defense Agencies, while not assigned specific quotas, are encouraged to also nominate activities for consolidation or relocation in order to vacate space in the MCR.

Signed
Melvin P. Laird

Enclosures - 2
As Stated

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APPENDIX B

NAVAL OCEANOGRAPHIC OFFICE

SPACE REQUIREMENTS

SYNOPSIS OF REQUEST FOR SPACE

1. COMNAVOCEANO ltr ser 11057 of 24 Dec 1963 to Commandant PRNC

Para.1. "The facilities assigned to this Office have recently been inspected by representatives of the General Services Administration and the Potomac River Naval Command. Both inspections concluded that additional space for laboratory, drafting, shop, and storage functions was essential to effective operations of this activity."

2. SECDEF Memo of 6 Mar 1965 to SECNAV

Para.2. "It is recognized that the Oceanographic Office is hampered by overcrowded conditions in its assigned space at Suitland, Maryland,"....

Para.3. "In view of the above, as well as the intense interest in the decentralization program at the highest levels, it is requested that the Department of the Navy undertake to study possible relocation sites for the Institute of Oceanology, as well as other elements of the Oceanographic Office."....

3. COMNAVOCEANO ltr ser 6864 of 16 Jun 1965 to CNO (OP-09B)

Para.1. "Both General Services Administration and Naval District, Washington, in their 1963 inspections, confirmed the compelling need of additional space for this Office. As was recognized in these inspections, all NAVOCEANO facilities have been in a state of flux for several years because of the need to continually rearrange internal assignments of space."

4. FIRST END on COMNAVOCEANO ltr ser 6869 of 1 Jul 1965 - CMDT NDW ser 2333 of 16 Jul 1965

Para.2. "It is recognized that the Oceanographic Office is hampered by overcrowded conditions in its assigned space at Suitland, Maryland, and that space in the new Federal Records Center Building would provide relief for the elements at the Suitland complex. However, since there is intense interest in decentralization at the highest levels, and the Naval Oceanographic Office has been requested to conduct a study in this respect, it is recommended that this space decision be held in abeyance pending the outcome of the decentralization study."

5. COMNAVOCEANO ltr ser 2160 of 21 Jun 1966 to CNO

Para.1. "The U.S. Naval Oceanographic Office has suffered continued difficulties and problems of operations because of inadequate facilities and physical separation of many of its major inter-related operating elements. Inadequate space and facilities have been singled out by numerous inspections and visits over the past several years, including representatives from DOD, OPNAV, NDW, and the General Services Administration. It has been determined that no existing facilities under the control of the Military Departments and Government agencies in the Washington area will be available in the foreseeable future to alleviate these conditions."

- 6. OCEANAV's FIRST END ser 792 of 1 Aug 1967 on COMNAVOCEANO's ltr ser 2715 of 27 Jul 1967 to CNO**

Para.2. "The Oceanographer of the Navy fully endorses the need for additional space for the Naval Oceanographic Office. The need for space is critical and daily becomes more critical with the expansion of the Naval Oceanographic Program. The limited space available for employees of the office has recently been the subject of congressional and union inquiries."

- 7. AO, Navy ltr of 27 Sept 1967 to Dir., Admin. Mang. Div., OASD (Admin)**

Para.2. "The Naval Oceanographic Office continues to experience major operating problems because of inadequate facilities and the physical separation of many of its major inter-related organizational components. NAVOCEANO presently occupies 438,501 square feet of space. Enclosure (2) indicates a requirement of 602,736

square feet -- a deficiency of approximately 164,000 square feet. Many internal moves and consolidations have been effected to obtain optimum usage of available space, but with the rapid expansion of oceanographic functions currently programmed, present facilities are entirely inadequate. The critical shortage of facilities has resulted in intolerable overcrowded conditions."

- 8. ASD Memo of Oct 1967 to AO, Navy**

Para.1. "The DD Forms 1450 justifying expansion space for the subject activity, forwarded by your memorandum of 27 September 1967, have been reviewed. Our analysis of these forms (TAB A) indicates a recognized expansion requirement of 166,394 SF over present square footage occupied."....

- 9. OCEANAV FIRST END ser 384 of 18 Mar 1969 on COMNAVOCEANO ltr ser 2404 of 14 March 1969**

Para.2. "The Oceanographer of the Navy fully endorses the need for additional space for the Naval Oceanographic Office. The need for space is critical and daily becomes more critical with the expansion of the Naval Oceanographic Program."

APPENDIX C

ECONOMICS

TAB A Space Occupied in National Capital Region

TAB B Summary of Economic Analysis



NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION SPACE OCCUPIED BY
ELEMENTS OF THE NAVAL OCEANOGRAPHIC PROGRAM

Building

<u>GSA Controlled</u>	<u>Sq. Ft.</u>	<u>Occupant</u>	<u>Projected Vacancy Date</u>	
NAVOCEANO - Main Building	51,924	NAVOCEANO	Oct 76	(1)
FOB #3	54,363	"	"	(1)
FOB #4	12,310	"	"	(1)
Butler Huts (3) (Silver Hill)	52,000	"	"	(1)
Garage & Annex (2) (Suitland)	2,855	"	"	(1)
Bldg #158 (WNY)	40,066	"	"	(2)
Bldg #159 (WNY)	17,126	"	"	(2)
Bldg #159E (WNY)	25,884	"	"	(2)
Bldg #160 (WNY)	27,887	"	"	(2)
	284,415			

Navy Controlled

Bldg #166 (WNY)	14,144	"	"	(2)
Bldg #200 (WNY)	2,980	"	"	(2)
Bldg #210 (WNY)	9,388	"	"	(2)
Bldg # 58 (NRL)	18,779	"	Oct 75	(3)
Bldg # 70 (NRL)	4,104	"	"	(4)
Bldg C-20 (NRL Ches. Beach)	8,650	"	"	(3)
Bldg C-75 (NRL Ches. Beach)	13,420	"	"	(3)
Bldg # 58 (NRL)	16,789	ONR	"	(3)
	88,254			

Footnotes:

- (1) To be returned to GSA via OSD
- (2) To be retained by Navy NCR Space Coordinator
- (3) To be retained by NRL
- (4) To be demolished

TAB A

APPENDIX D

SUMMARY OF ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED

The National Space Technology Laboratory was selected as the site for development of more detailed economic data and preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement because the facilities which are available at NSTL are unique with respect to oceanography and require less modification than those found available at other sites.

In a transfer of function, such as the one proposed, there are basically three one-time cost considerations. First are those costs related to the transfer of employees, second are those related to new construction and building modification and third are miscellaneous expenses such as relocation of equipment, installation of telephones, simultaneous operations of both facilities during the transfer period, etc. The first and third (personnel-miscellaneous) of these costs are essentially the same for all sites that require personnel to relocate. Therefore the principal cost variable is that related to building modifications and new construction.

The sites which were visited by Navy employees specifically to assess their suitability to meet the facility needs of the Navy Oceanographic Program included: Newport Naval Station; Davisville Construction Battalion Center; Quonset Point Naval Air Station, Naval Air Engineering Center, Philadelphia; Prince Georges Center, Hyattsville, Md.; Michoud Assembly Facility, Michoud, La.; NSTL, Bay St. Louis, Miss.; Otis Air Force Base, Mass.; and the Naval Prison at Portsmouth, N.H. Navy property at Sand Point, Wa. was also considered.

The facilities which are required include office space, chemistry, biology, and geology laboratories, instrument calibration and repair facilities, secure computer space, communications facilities, classrooms, warehouses, cafeteria, etc., for a total net of 368,000 sq. ft. The site would be located for easy access to a major airport because many employees are assigned temporary additional duty aboard ships which operate on a world-wide basis. Adjacency to a deep water port would be convenient on occasions but is not a prerequisite. Oceanographic ships operating in the ocean on the opposite coast would not (and do not now) transit through the Panama Canal to visit the main office. At the present time, the 12 ships are home ported in New York and San Francisco. Home ports are chosen by the Military Sea Lift Command who provides crew manning. These home ports would not change as a result of the proposed consolidation.

The following pages summarize the facilities which were identified as available at the several sites visited or considered. There was only one site which had unique oceanographic facilities of the type which would be used by the Naval Oceanographic Program. These facilities included a 455 foot long tow tank and a jet water facility (housed indoors) for calibrating current measuring devices, a tilting flume for conducting studies of the hydraulics in coastal and estuarine areas and a facility for testing and calibrating salinity/temperature/depth sensors which are in daily use by the Oceanographic program. The uniquely oceanographic facilities existed only at the National Space Technology Laboratory (NSTL), Bay St. Louis, Mississippi.

SUMMARY OF ALTERNATIVES

<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>NET SQ. FT. REQUIRED</u>	<u>SQ. FT. AVAIL. OF REQ. TYPE</u>	<u>CONDITION OF EXISTING FACILITIES</u>	<u>EST. \$M MILCON and MODIFICATION</u>	<u>CONSOLIDATION ACHIEVED</u>
Newport	368,000	102,000	Poor	19.7	Yes
Quonset	"	0	Fair	(1)	Yes
Davisville	"	5,800	Good	19.4	Yes
Philadelphia	"	130,000	Poor	12.6	Yes
Hyattsville	"	172,000	Good	(2)	No
Otis AFB	"	72,000	Poor	(1)	Yes
Sand Point	"	0	Poor	(1)	Yes
Michoud/NSTL	"	348,000	Good	(2)	No
NSTL	"	280,500	Excellent	7.5	Yes
Suitland	"	0	N/A	23.1	Yes
Portsmouth	"	4,300	Poor	(1)	Yes

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- (1) MILCON Cost not computed because it was apparent it would be more than NSTL.
- (2) MILCON Cost not computed because consolidation not possible.
- (3) MILCON Cost estimates for NSTL are of programming quality. Other estimates are based on site reviews and standard NAVFAC cost estimating procedures.

NEWPORT NAVAL STATION, NEWPORT, R.I.

A visit to Newport and discussions with the Station Public Works Officer revealed that 208,750 gross square feet of space were available.

None of space available provided the power, air conditioning and security required for the computer and associated personnel handling TOP SECRET material. No oceanographic instrumentation maintenance, calibration or repair facilities exist at Newport. No chemistry, biological or geological laboratories are available for use. All that really exists of use to the program is warehouse space.

There were other buildings which were vacant but which were not considered useful because of location, age, and/or the extensive renovation which would be required. One of these was a concrete block building which has been used in recent years as a school house but was vacated when it was determined to be unsafe.

New construction and building modification costs for Newport are estimated to be \$19.7M of which \$18.1M would be for new construction.

The human environmental impact which would result from consolidation at Newport, was not considered to be of such significance as to prevent the consolidation. The impact on the natural environment was not determined, so doing would require more specific plans on the amount and location of new construction.

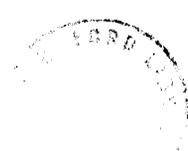
CONSTRUCTION BATTALION CENTER, DAVISVILLE, R.I.

A visit to Davisville CBC and discussions with the Commanding Officer and the Executive Officer resulted in the finding that eleven enlisted mens barracks, a theater, a small library, a recreation building, a cafeteria and some shop buildings were vacant. Most of these buildings were in good condition, some having been only recently vacated. The site is of course located on deep water. Navy's intentions are to hold the site available for mobilization in the event of international conflict. Occupancy of the site by the Naval Oceanographic Program would not permit future mobilization of the site for that purpose.

The building modification and construction costs were estimated to be not less than \$19.4M for the Davisville site.

A further disadvantage to Davisville would be the fact that the Oceanographic program would be the only site occupant, and therefore the program would be required to fully absorb all costs related to operation of the total facility.

The detrimental human environmental impact which would result from consolidating at Davisville was considered to be minimal because of recent reductions in total population in the area resulting from the Shore Establishment Realignment program. There would be no large disruption to natural environment due to the new construction which would be required.



QUONSET POINT NAVAL AIR STATION, QUONSET PT., R.I.

Quonset Point is adjacent to the Davisville CBC. Ownership of much of the land and buildings has been transferred to the State of Rhode Island. Buildings which were determined to be potentially available included officers and enlisted men's barracks and a former hospital. The total of the facilities vacant at Quonset was so significantly less than those vacant at Davisville that construction and modification cost estimates were not made for Quonset Point, nor was the environmental impact considered.

OTIS AIR FORCE BASE, MASS.

Several letters were received within DOD requesting that consideration be given to consolidating the Navy Oceanographic Program at Otis Air Force Base.

The buildings which are available at Otis include: 49 dormitory buildings built during World War II as temporary housing for 3,345 men; 8 warehouses of 9,000 sq. ft. each; 18 administrative buildings of 1,144 sq. ft. each; one administrative building of 3,663 sq. ft.; an auto repair shop of 3,108 sq. ft. and a missile assembly shop of 66,000 sq. ft. There are also about 700 units of military personnel quarters.

In view of age of these facilities and their lack of applicability to the needs of the Naval Oceanographic Program no cost estimates or environmental assessment was developed for this location, but construction costs would be expected to be equal to or exceed those at Newport.

PRINCE GEORGES CENTER, HYATTSVILLE, MD.

The building considered at this location was building #2, which consists of approximately 301,975 net sq. ft. of office space.

The building would require extensive modification to accommodate the chemistry, biology, and geology laboratories, electronic shops, large high pressure water tanks etc. In addition of course, the total space available is insufficient for the consolidation being sought, and no warehousing existed. There is no potential for amortization of the one time moving costs because space rental costs would increase.

The option of a partial consolidation, leaving laboratories, electronic shops and warehousing in the Washington Navy Yard and warehousing in Suitland, Md., would only result in increased annual operating costs and increased loss of already low efficiency resulting from wide dispersal of program components. Therefore, the Hyattsville site was not given any further serious consideration and no environmental assessment was made.

MICHOUD, LA./BAY ST. LOUIS, MISS.

Consideration was given to locating the operational portion of the Naval Oceanographic Program at the NASA owned Michoud Assembly Facility and the research and development portion of the program and the operational instrumentation maintenance and repair personnel at NSTL. This option was later dismissed because it would not achieve consolidation and because long term occupancy of space presently available at Michoud could not be guaranteed.

At Michoud, a large relatively new office building (Bldg. 350) had 172,000 sq. ft. of office space available. In addition there was 70,000 sq. ft. of space which could be made available in Bldg. 103. The balance of Bldg. 350 is occupied by Department of Agriculture and Bell Aerospace Corp. Dept. of Agriculture has asked NASA for more space in the building.

Bldg. 103 is occupied by NASA contractors. When contractors bid on some NASA contracts, they have the option of requesting use of space in bldg. 103. Therefore, Navy occupancy could be tenuous.

The buildings which would have been used at NSTL were the main administration building (1100), the instrumentation building (8100) and the tow tank, jet water facility and tilting flume in building 2204.

Selection of this combination of sites would have resulted in a 45-50 mile separation of Program Components.

PORTSMOUTH, N.H.

Navy holdings in the Portsmouth, N.H. area are the Naval Shipyard, Naval Hospital and the Disciplinary Command. All facilities are administered for housekeeping by the Public Works Officer Naval Shipyard. No space was determined available in the Hospital or Shipyard. The ex-Naval Disciplinary Command building (177,000 new sq. ft.) is available. The gymnasium, print shop, library, dispensary and large central section cell block constitute 132,000 sq. ft. of this building.

In view of the limited facilities which were determined to be available, military construction costs were known to exceed those at Newport and therefore no further analysis of this site was carried out.

SAND POINT, WASHINGTON

The buildings which were available for consideration were a hangar, built in 1928 which is scheduled for demolition, a hangar built in 1939 and two administrative buildings built in 1939.

The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Agency (NOAA) has prepared a plan to use 100 acres of excess Navy land on which to construct facilities to support their West Coast oceanographic operations at a cost of near \$70M for about 1,200 people. The County intends to convert the airfield into a County park.

In view of the lack of existing facilities no construction cost estimates were prepared, nor was an environmental assessment prepared. It was apparent the estimates would exceed those at Davisville.

SUITLAND, MARYLAND

The estimated cost for constructing new facilities at Suitland, Md. is \$23.1M.

Annually for the past several years the Congress has admonished Navy for not reducing its National Capitol Region population by relocation actions. The following is an excerpt from the Congressional Record on hearings for the Military Construction Appropriation Bill for 1975 - House of Representatives, 93d Congress, 2nd Session:

"This severe limitation of funding for Navy projects in the Washington area is not taken lightly by the Committee. Rather, it is a deliberate move by the Committee to call Navy's attention to earlier Committee comments regarding the moving of naval activities from the Washington, D.C. area. While the Air Force over the years has placed many command headquarters functions outside Washington, and the Army seemingly is making an effort to reorganize along these same lines, the Navy has ignored, for the most part, directives by the Office of the Secretary of Defense and the Congress that it look elsewhere for mission space. The Committee acknowledges the Navy's plan to move elements of the Bureau of Naval Personnel from Washington to New Orleans and earlier moves which relocated 467 civilian and military personnel from Washington, but the fact remains there currently are an estimated 46,700 naval personnel or civilians in this area - and that is too many. This Committee intends to exercise its power of the purse to see to it those missions which can be moved are moved. It expects the Navy to present a relocation plan during next year's hearings on the military construction appropriation request, and it expects such a plan to be significant in scope. Further, the Navy is instructed to keep this Committee informed of which projects in this year's appropriation are to be constructed from the limited funds being made available."

If Navy proposed to seek funds for construction of new facilities to consolidate the Oceanographic Program in the NCR it would be a direct affront to the Congress, who, based upon the above excerpt from the Congressional Record, would not authorize the required funding.

NAVAL AIR ENGINEERING CENTER, PHILADELPHIA, PA.

The buildings which would be available at Philadelphia are one block from pier 7. They are building 76 and 59. Building 76 is a six story brick structure of 215,000 sq. ft. of which approximately 130,000 net sq. ft. were available. Building 59 is a heavy industrial production-type building

While the square footage under roof which was available was considerable, the long term economic disadvantage of extensive modification of fifty year old buildings was considered to be a prime deterrent for serious consideration of this location.

No environmental assessment was prepared because from a technical standpoint the facilities which were available were not considered as suitable as at other sites.

APPENDIX E

COMPONENTS AND MISSION STATEMENTS OF
AGENCIES IN RESIDENCE AT NSTL

- TAB A National Aeronautics and Space Administration
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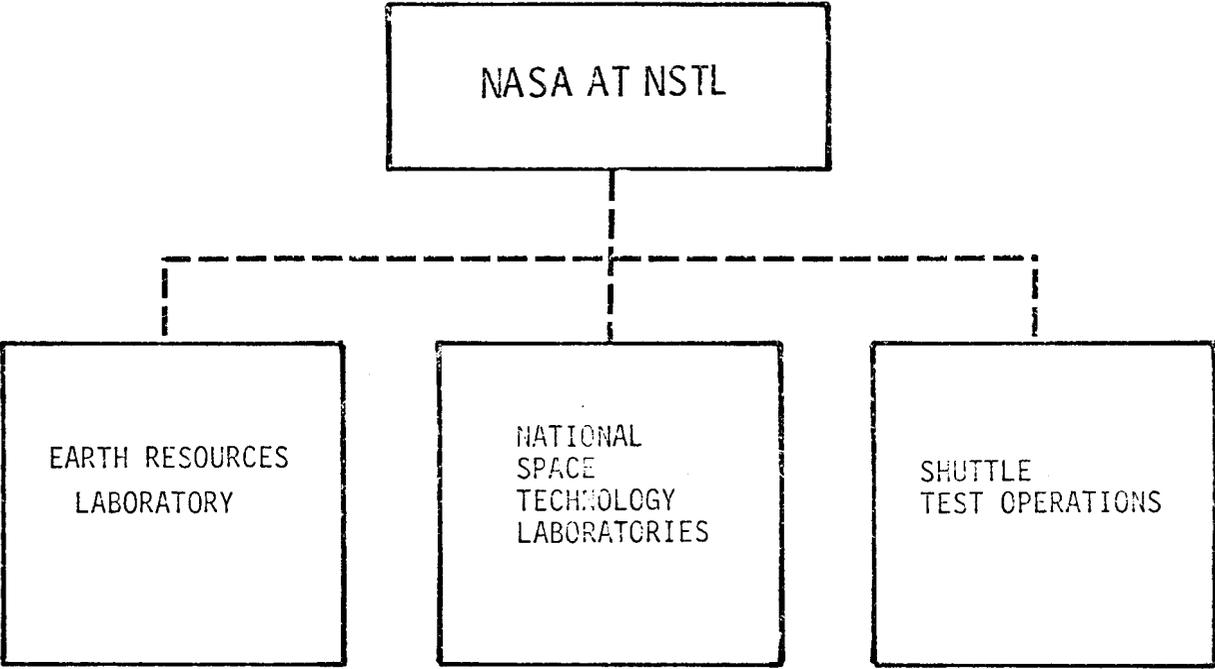
TAB A

NATIONAL SPACE TECHNOLOGY LABORATORIES

OCTOBER 31, 1974

NASA IS -

- 0 INSTALLATION MANAGER
- 0 ROCKET TEST MANAGER
- 0 ENGAGED IN SATELLITE/AIRCRAFT REMOTE SENSING RESEARCH - LAND/MARINE PLANNING
- 0 MANAGES WITH OTHER USERS - SERVICES/PROJECTS AND EXPERIMENTS EXPLOITING NASA TECHNOLOGY AND PROVIDING NASA A SPACE APPLICATIONS INTERFACE WITH FEDERAL AND STATE USERS



MISSION STATEMENTS

NASA AT NATIONAL SPACE TECHNOLOGY LABORATORIES

NASA/NSTL

- PROVIDE AN INSTITUTIONAL AND TECHNICAL BASE FOR SUPPORT OF NASA AND OTHER FEDERAL AND STATE AGENCIES ENGAGED IN ENVIRONMENTAL AND RELATED RESEARCH AND TECHNICAL ACTIVITIES, INCLUDING REMOTE SENSING. PROVIDE NASA WITH A SITE FOR TEST FIRING OF LARGE ROCKET ENGINES.
- ENGAGE IN PROJECTS TO DEMONSTRATE SPACE APPLICATIONS AND APPLICATION OF NASA TECHNOLOGY IN AREAS INCLUDING ENVIRONMENTAL AND RESOURCES MANAGEMENT PROBLEMS. THESE DEMONSTRATIONS WOULD NORMALLY INVOLVE BOTH NASA AND SELECTED USER AGENCIES INCLUDING THOSE RESIDENT AT THE INSTALLATION.
- MANAGE THE ACCOMPLISHMENT OF SELECTED TENANT ASSIGNED PROJECTS AND EXPERIMENTS IN SUPPORT OF THEIR MISSIONS, PARTICULARLY WHERE SUCH PROJECTS AND EXPERIMENTS EXPLOIT NASA TECHNOLOGY AND PROVIDE A BASIS FOR SPACE APPLICATIONS.
- SEEK APPROPRIATE ARRANGEMENTS WITH NASA CENTERS TO INVOLVE, AS APPROPRIATE, NASA-WIDE EXPERIENCE IN THE PROSECUTION OF OPPORTUNITIES AT NSTL; PROVIDE NASA CENTERS WITH ADDED OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE IDENTIFICATION OF SPACE APPLICATIONS.

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NASA/SHUTTLE TEST (MSFC)

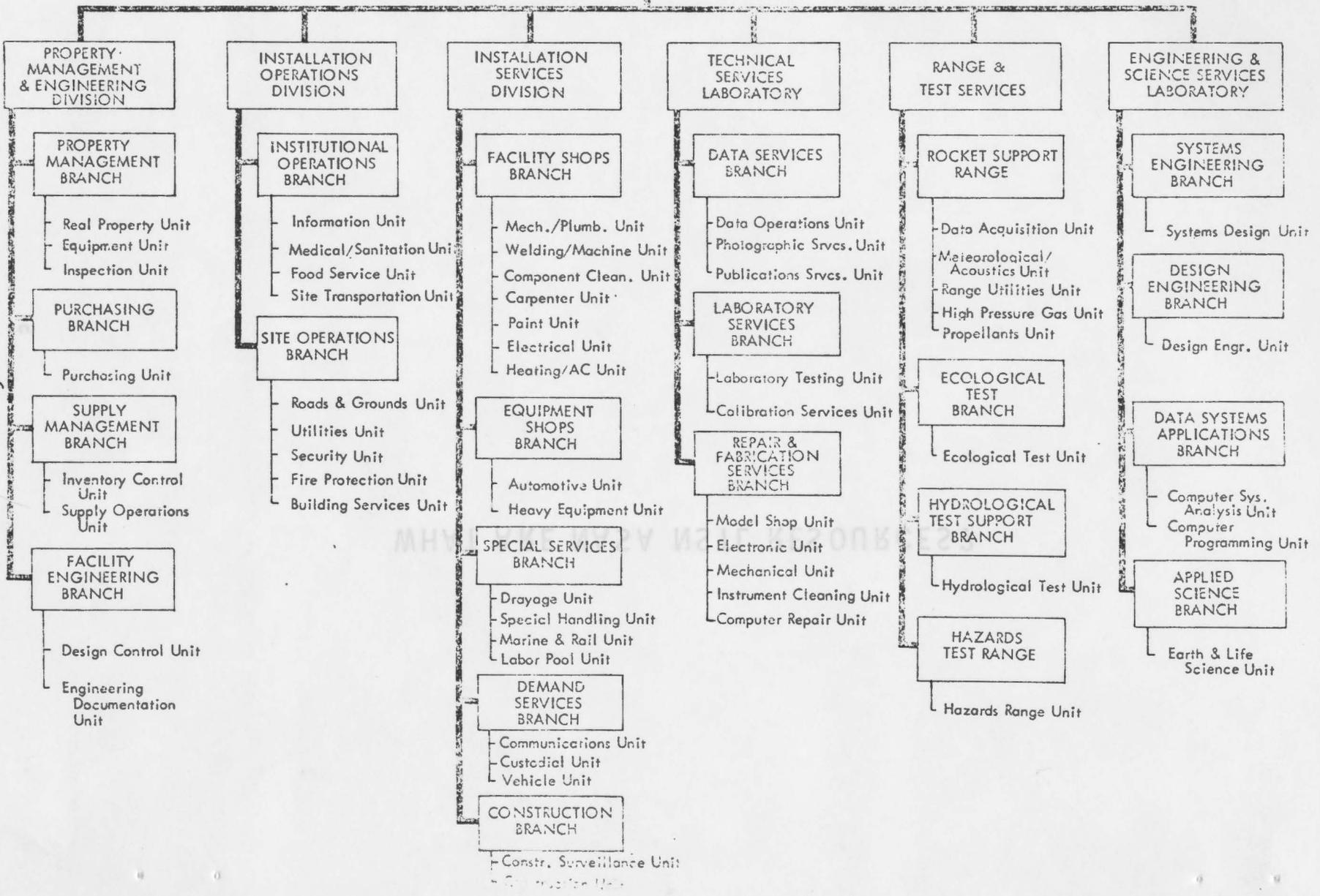
- STATIC TEST SPACE SHUTTLE MAIN ENGINE (SSME) HARDWARE FOR RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT PURPOSES AS WELL AS FLIGHT WORTHINESS.
- STATIC TEST OF ORBITER CLUSTER INTEGRATION (MPTA).

NASA/EARTH RESOURCES LAB (JSC)

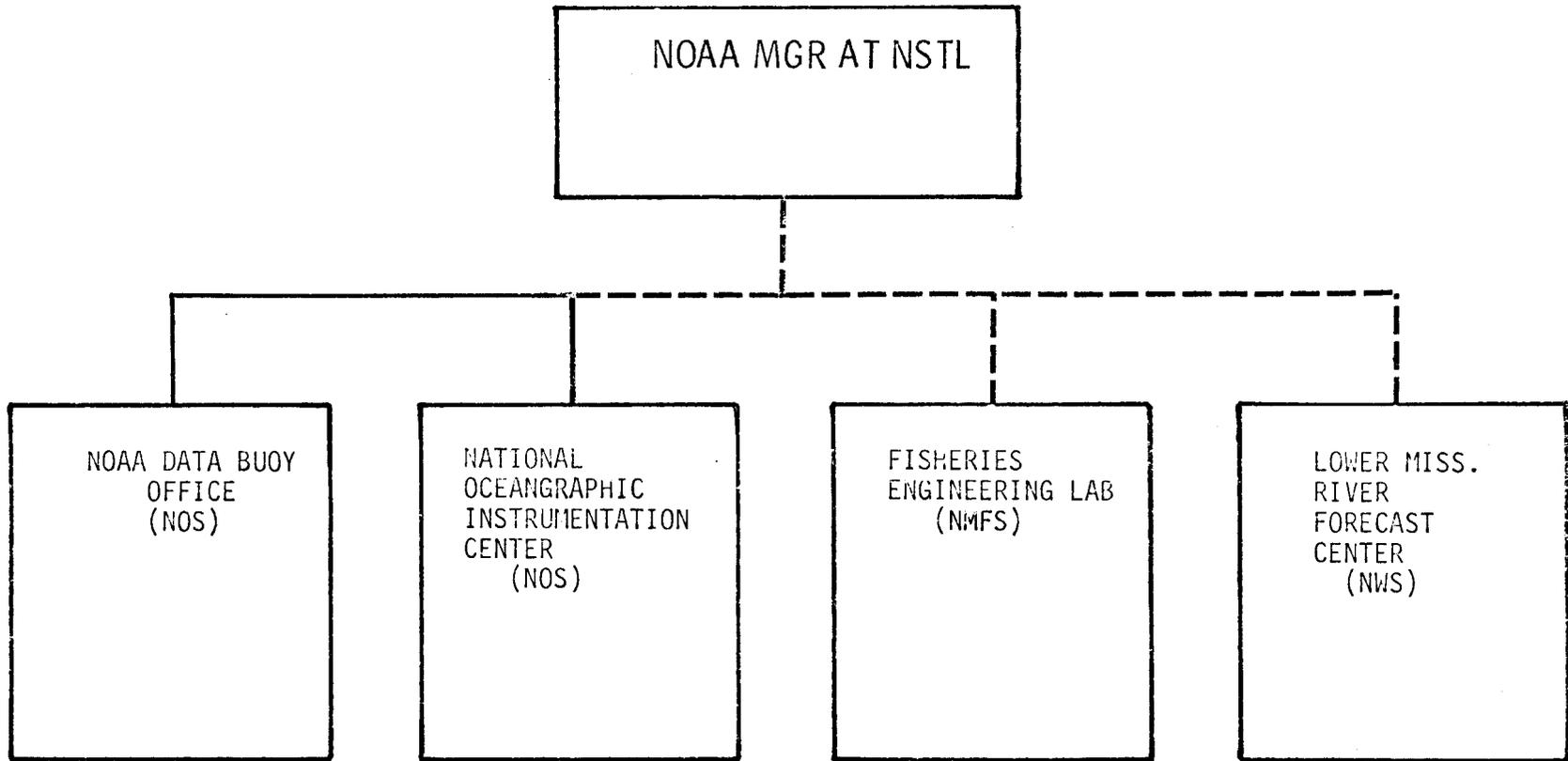
- CONDUCT RESEARCH INVESTIGATIONS IN THE MISSISSIPPI-LOUISIANA-GULF AREA IN THE APPLICATION OF REMOTELY SENSED DATA OBTAINED WITH AIRCRAFT AND SATELLITES AND TO INCLUDE THE COLLECTION, ANALYSIS AND CORRELATION OF SURFACE AND OTHER TYPE DATA AS NECESSARY TO DEVELOP TECHNIQUES AND PROCEDURES FOR OPERATIONAL APPLICATION SYSTEMS. CAPITALIZE ON COLLOCATION OF GOVERNMENT AGENCIES AT NSTL TO CONDUCT COOPERATIVE EFFORTS TO THE EXTENT DEEMED MUTUALLY DESIRABLE.

WHAT ARE NASA NSTL RESOURCES?

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TAB B



"NOAA" - NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION

MISSION STATEMENTS

NOAA AT NATIONAL SPACE TECHNOLOGY LABORATORIES

NOAA/NOS-NOAA DATA BUOY OFFICE

- MANAGE RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT, INCLUDING DEPLOYMENT, OF A GROUP OF BUOYS TO MEASURE OCEANOGRAPHIC AND METEOROLOGIC PARAMETERS FOR OPERATIONAL AND RESEARCH NEEDS AND TO DEVELOP THE DATA NEEDS THAT SUCH BUOYS ARE TO PRODUCE FOR CUSTOMERS.
- SUPPORT SCIENTIFIC INVESTIGATORS BY PRODUCING MARINE ENVIRONMENTAL OBSERVATIONAL DATA IN THE QUANTITY AND QUALITY REQUIRED TO SATISFY GATE SCIENTIFIC OBJECTIVES. PERFORM SHIP OPERATIONAL PLANNING, TRAINING, COORDINATION AND DATA RECORDING AND REDUCTION FOR DELIVERY TO THE DESIGNATED RECEIVING POINT IN NOAA AND TO DEVELOP AN ON-SITE CAPABILITY FOR FUTURE NATIONAL OCEAN SURVEY MISSIONS IN SUPPORT OF SYNOPTIC EXPERIMENTS.

NOAA/NOS-NATIONAL OCEANOGRAPHIC INSTRUMENTATION CENTER

- PROVIDE TEST, EVALUATION & CALIBRATION SERVICES ON OCEANOGRAPHIC/METEOROLOGICAL DATA ACQUISITION SYSTEMS IN SUPPORT OF NOAA DATA BUOY CENTER, OTHER NOAA ELEMENTS & GOVERNMENT AGENCIES.

NOAA/NMFS-FISHERIES ENGINEERING LAB

- DEVELOP APPROPRIATE TECHNIQUES TO EFFECTIVELY LOCATE, IDENTIFY, QUANTIFY AND SAMPLE LIVING MARINE RESOURCES, AND DEVELOP SYSTEMS FOR EFFICIENT ANALYSIS AND DISPLAY OF LIVING MARINE RESOURCE INFORMATION.

NOAA/NWS-LOWER MISSISSIPPI RIVER FORECAST CENTER

- PREPARATION AND ISSUANCE OF RIVER AND FLOOD FORECASTS FOR THE LOWER MISSISSIPPI RIVER AND ITS TRIBUTARIES USING A COMPUTERIZED DIGITAL SIMULATION MODEL. DEVELOP BETTER SOURCES OF INPUT DATA INCLUDING AERIAL AND SATELLITE INPUTS.

DEPARTMENT OF
INTERIOR AT NSTL

GEOLOGICAL
SURVEY

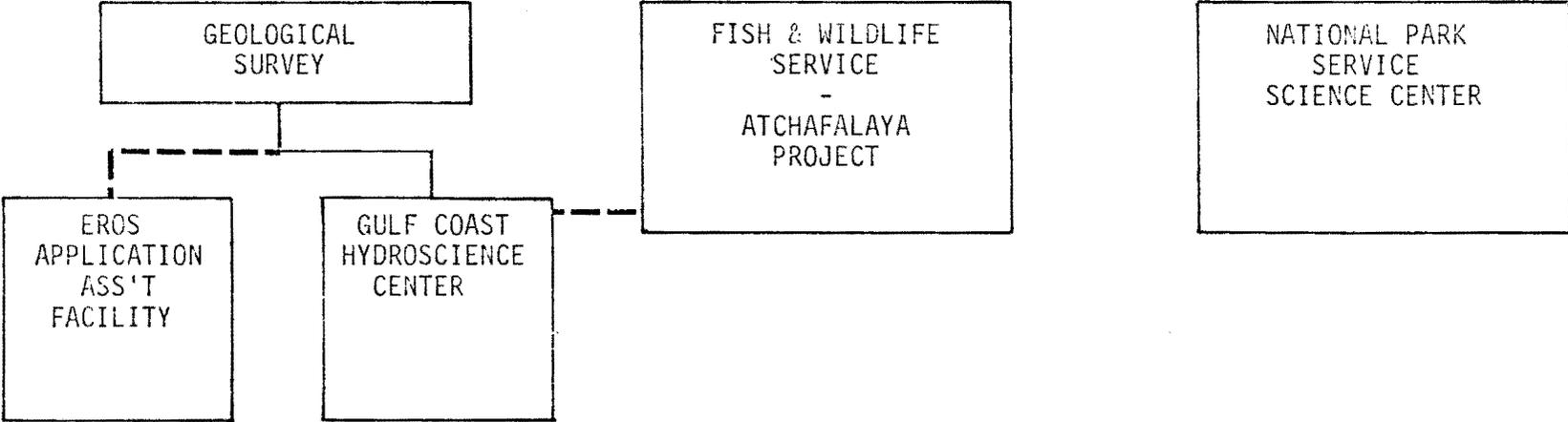
FISH & WILDLIFE
SERVICE
-
ATCHAFALAYA
PROJECT

NATIONAL PARK
SERVICE
SCIENCE CENTER

EROS
APPLICATION
ASS'T
FACILITY

GULF COAST
HYDROSCIENCE
CENTER

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MISSION STATEMENT

DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR AT NATIONAL SPACE TECHNOLOGY LABORATORIES

DOI/NPS-NATIONAL SCIENCE CENTER

- ECOLOGICAL SYSTEMS RESEARCH CENTER AIMED AT DEVELOPING ENVIRONMENTAL MATH MODELS OF GIVEN PARKS AS A TOOL FOR PREDICTING THE CONSEQUENCES OF HUMAN STRESS IN THE ENVIRONMENTAL PICTURE AND AS RESOURCE MANAGEMENT TOOL.
- DEVELOPMENT OF SYSTEMS/TECHNIQUES TO REPETITELY INVENTORY PARK NATURAL RESOURCES. FURNISH SUCH INVENTORIES TO PARK MANAGERS. BUILD, MAINTAIN PARK SYSTEM NATURAL RESOURCES INVENTORY ARCHIVE.
- BIOLOGICAL ANALYSIS AND RESEARCH SUPPORT SERVICE FOR THE OPERATIONAL ACTIVITIES IN THE SOUTHWEST AND SOUTHEAST REGIONS OF THE U.S. TO ENHANCE BOTANICAL ATTRACTIVENESS, DISEASE DETECTION AND ANALYSIS, AND EFFECTS OF ADVERSE CONDITIONS ON OUR NATIONAL PARKS.

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DOI/USGS-EROS APPLICATIONS ASSISTANCE FACILITY

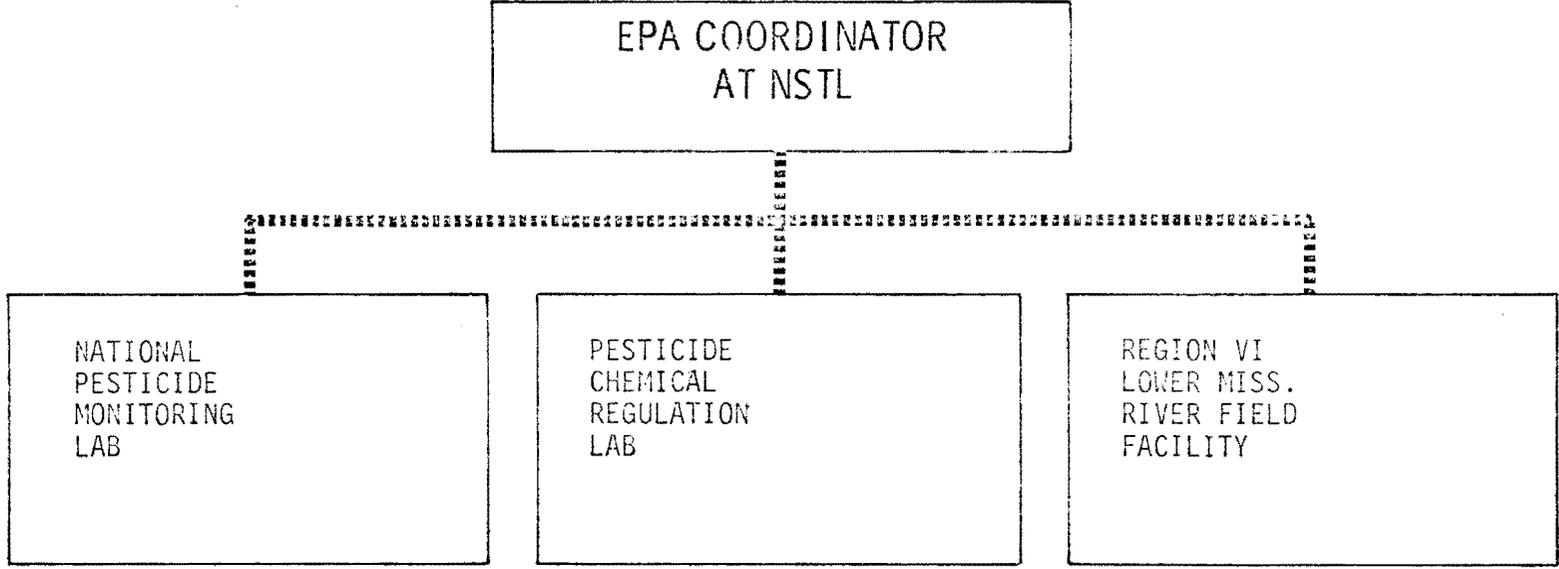
- PROVIDE PROFESSIONAL ASSISTANCE IN OBTAINING AND DISTRIBUTING REMOTELY SENSED DATA, INFORMATION, PRODUCTS AND IMAGERY FROM AIRCRAFT AND SPACECRAFT TO USERS IN FEDERAL REGIONS IV AND VI. DEVELOP TECHNIQUES FOR USE OF SAID INFORMATION THRU VARIOUS PHOTO INTERPRETATION/ENHANCEMENT INSTRUMENTS SATISFYING USERS NEEDS IN FIELDS OF AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY, GEOLOGY, GEOGRAPHY, LAND USE, URBAN PLANNING, ARCHEOLOGY, HYDROLOGY AND OCEANOGRAPHY. PROVIDE TRAINING COURSES TO EDUCATE PEOPLE IN HOW REMOTELY SENSED DATA CAN BE USED.

MISSION STATEMENT

DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR AT NATIONAL SPACE TECHNOLOGY LABORATORIES

DOI/USGS-GULF COAST HYDROSCIENCE CENTER

- DEVELOP MATHEMATICAL MODELS OF HYDROLOGIC SYSTEMS TO ASSESS THE EFFECTS OF NATURAL AND MANMADE CONDITIONS ON OUR WATER RESOURCES, UTILIZING THE HYDROLOGIC LABS AND COMPUTER FACILITIES AT NSTL AND SCC. ALSO PERFORM HYDRO-GEOLOGY (GEOTHERMAL) RESOURCES ASSESSMENT AND WATER RESOURCES INSTRUMENTATION RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT. UNDER-TAKE CERTAIN EXPERIMENTS INVOLVING USE OF AERIAL AND SATELLITE DERIVED DATA.



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"EPA" - ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

MISSION STATEMENTS

EPA AT NATIONAL SPACE TECHNOLOGY LABORATORIES

EPA/OPP-NATIONAL PESTICIDE MONITORING LAB

- NATIONAL SCIENTIFIC ANALYSIS LABORATORY WHICH RECEIVES SAMPLES FROM ALL 50 STATES CONSISTING OF SOILS, AGRICULTURAL CROPS, WILD-LIFE AND OTHER SAMPLES FOR ANALYSIS TO DETERMINE PESTICIDE CONTENT. DEVELOPS STANDARDIZED ANALYTICAL METHODS AND PROCEDURES FOR DETERMINING PESTICIDE CONTENT. DEVELOP NEW RECOGNITION TECHNIQUES INCLUDING USE OF AERIAL AND SATELLITE OBSERVED DATA.

EPA/OPP-PESTICIDE REGULATION CHEMISTRY LAB

- IN A MULTI-STATE REGION, PROTECTS PUBLIC FROM UNREGISTERED OR MISBRANDED PESTICIDES IN INTERSTATE COMMERCE AND PERFORMS ANALYSIS OF PESTICIDE SAMPLES FROM WHOLESALE DISTRIBUTORS' SHELVES.

EPA/REGION VI-LOWER MISSISSIPPI RIVER FIELD FACILITY

- REGIONAL ANALYTICAL LABORATORIES FOR WATER ANALYSIS AND ENFORCEMENT OF WATER QUALITY STANDARDS IN LOWER MISSISSIPPI RIVER BASIN LEADING TO ABATEMENT AND CONTROL OF WATER QUALITY DEGRADATION WHICH ENDANGERS HUMAN HEALTH AND THE HEALTH OF AQUATIC BIOTA. IDENTIFY OPPORTUNITY FOR USE OF AERIAL AND SATELLITE DERIVED DATA AS SUPPLEMENT TO GROUND MEASUREMENTS.

MISSION STATEMENT

COAST GUARD AT NATIONAL SPACE TECHNOLOGY LABORATORIES

USCG/NATIONAL STRIKE FORCE - GULF STRIKE TEAM

- COORDINATE ACTIVITIES IN RESPONSE TO POLLUTION DISCHARGES UPON SOUTHEAST ATLANTIC COASTAL WATERS, GULF COASTAL WATERS, AND WATERS OF PUERTO RICO AND THE CANAL ZONE RELATIVE TO DISCOVERY AND NOTIFICATION, CONTAINMENT AND COUNTERMEASURES, CLEANUP, AND DISPOSAL, RESTORATION, RECOVERY OF DAMAGES, AND ENFORCEMENT.

MISSION STATEMENT

ARMY AT NATIONAL SPACE TECHNOLOGY LABORATORIES

ARMY/EDGEWOOD - HAZARDS EVALUATION ENGINEERING STATION

- HAZARDS EVALUATION EXPERIMENTS PROGRAM - RESEARCH/DEVELOPMENT/TESTING TO IMPROVE SAFETY/TRANSPORTATION/HANDLING/STORAGE CRITERIA OF EXPLOSIVE TYPE MATERIELS. SOURCE OF PROJECTS INCLUDE DOT, AEC AND NASA.

STATES AT NATIONAL SPACE TECHNOLOGY LABORATORIES

MISSISSIPPI/OFFICE OF GOVERNOR - OFFICE OF SCIENCE ADVISOR

- 0 TO MANAGE STATE AGENCY TECHNOLOGY ASSIST PROJECTS - EXPLOIT TECHNOLOGY AVAILABLE AT NSTL INCLUDING REIMBURSABLE WORK ORDERS TO NSTL LABORATORIES

LOUISIANA OFFICE OF TECHNOLOGY

- 0 TO MANAGE STATE AGENCY TECHNOLOGY ASSIST PROJECTS - EXPLOIT TECHNOLOGY AVAILABLE AT NSTL INCLUDING REIMBURSABLE WORK ORDERS TO NSTL LABORATORIES

MISSISSIPPI/MISSISSIPPI STATE UNIVERSITY - NSTL RESEARCH STATION

- 0 CONDUCT ECOLOGICAL STUDIES INCLUDING CHEMICAL, PHYSICAL, AND BIOLOGICAL DEFINITION OF THE CENTRAL GULF SOUTH REGION; POLLUTION EFFECTS DETERMINATION; BIOLOGICAL CONSEQUENCES OF CONTAMINATION OF AQUATIC AND TERRESTRIAL ECOSYSTEMS; AND NUMERICAL SIMULATION OF POLLUTION DISSEMINATION OPERATING THE LARGEST SALT WATER SIMULATED ECOSYSTEM RESEARCH PONDS IN THE UNITED STATES. IN PROCESS OF ESTABLISHING A LIFE SCIENCES LABORATORY AND A GRADUATE STUDY PROGRAM

APPENDIX F

PERSONNEL PLAN

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PERSONNEL ACCOUNTING

The organizational components presently located in the National Capital Region which are proposed for consolidation at NSTL to form the Naval Oceanographic Center are: the Naval Oceanographic Office; the Deputy Assistant Oceanographer for Ocean Science, the Ocean Science and Technology Division, Long Range Acoustic Propagation Project, and the Acoustic Environmental Support Detachment from the Office of Naval Research. There are 1,264 civilians and 45 military personnel employed by these organizations. Of these employees, 1,239 civilians and 42 military are being considered for consolidation at NSTL in this assessment as shown below:

<u>ORGANIZATION</u>	<u>CIVPERS</u>	<u>MILPERS</u>
	<u>Billets</u>	<u>O/E</u>
Naval Oceanographic Office	1,189	20/15
ONR Code 102-OS (Deputy Assistant Oceanographer for Ocean Science)	5	1/0
ONR Code 480 (Ocean Science and Technology Division)	19	3/0
ONR Code 102-OSC (Long Range Acoustic Propagation)	9	1/0
ONR (Acoustic Environmental Support Det.)	17	2/0
TOTALS	1,239	27/15
GRAND TOTAL	1,281	

TAB A

PLAN

NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES RELOCATED

		AUG 75	MAR 76	JUN 76	AUG 76	AUG 77	
	CIVILIAN	(1239)	230	35	125	247	602
	MILITARY	(42)	10	0	0	21	11

TAB B
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WORK DESCRIPTION AND RELOCATION ESTIMATES

The professional occupations are those primarily involved in science and engineering (oceanographers, geophysicists, geodesists, electronic and civil engineers). This group is comprised of approximately 625 employees, and it is predicted that approximately 500 will accompany the transfer. The skills of this group are generally of use to NAVOCEANO and are not readily in demand in the Washington, D.C. area. The skills lost in these occupations may not be readily found in the NSTL area; however, past recruiting experience indicates that the preponderance of employees recruited for these occupations have come from various areas throughout the U.S.

The technical (science and engineering) occupations are comprised of Physical Science Aids/Technicians, Electronic Aids/Technicians, and Engineering Aids/Technicians. It is predicted that 65% of this group or 145 personnel will move. Recruitment of replacements at the GS-2 through 4 levels will not be overly difficult, and it is expected that such types may be found locally available in the NSTL area. Locating experienced replacements for higher levels, i.e., GS-5 and up, however is expected to create more of a recruitment problem. Such skills may not be readily found in the NSTL area. An extensive recruiting and retraining effort is anticipated for these levels.

Professionals (administrative and logistics). A group with skills which are readily transferable to other activities and in moderate to good demand in the D.C. area. Predict 55% or 55 people in this group will transfer. Skills lost should be readily available locally. Minimal training needed.

Technicians (administrative and logistics), A group with skills highly transferable to other activities and in good to high demand in the D.C. area. Predict 35% or about 50 employees in this group will move. Skills lost should be available in the nearby area.

Clerical support. A group with skills which are completely transferable to other activities in the D.C. area and in high demand. Those moving will be dependents of employees in other NAVOCEANO groups or personnel desiring a change-of-scene. Predict 30% or 40 employees will move. Skills should be readily obtainable locally.

APPENDIX G

STATEMENTS OF NON-DISCRIMINATION



Telegram

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PMS JOHNNIE STEPHENS SPECIAL ASST TO OCEAN GRAPHIC

200 STOVALL ST FONE AND MAIL 325-9395 RES 672-5243

ALEXANDRIA VA 22332

GULFPORT BOARD OF REALTORS AD HERES TO THE FEDERAL

FAIR HOUSING LAW TITLE OF CIVIL RIGHTS ACT OF 1968

WE ALSO ADVISE WE HAVE F H A AND V A FINANCING AVAILAPLE

IN THIS AREA

NCRMA WILLIAMSON, PRESIDENT

GULFPORT BOARD OF REALTORS INC.

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PMS JOHNNIE STEPHENS, SPECIAL ASSISTANT TO THE OCEANOGRAPHER, DLR

HOFFMAN BLDG 2 200 STOVALL ST

ALEXANDRIA VA 22332

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT ALL PUBLIC RECREATION FACILITIES GULFPORT
MISSISSIPPI WHICH INCLUDES 19 TENNIS COURTS 5 RECREATION CENTERS 2
SOFTBALL FIELDS 10 BASEBALL FIELDS ARE OPEN TO ALL CITIZENS
REGARDLESS OF RACE COLOR OR CREED SINCERELY

ARTHUR W LANG JR MAYOR

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PMS JOHNNY STEPHENS ASSISTANT TO OCFANOGRAPHER

OFFICE OF OCFANOGRAPHER OF THE NAVY, DLR TODAY, DLR
HOFFMAN PLDG II 200 STOVALL ST

ALEXANDRIA VA 22332

ON BEHALF OF CITY OF PASS CHRISTIAN I ASSURE YOU THAT CITY PARKS
PLAYGROUNDS ATHLETIC PROGRAMS ALL PUBLIC FACILITIES ARE OPENED TO
ALL AND EVERYONE WELCOME TO PARTICIPATE AND WE SUBSCRIBE TO OPEN
HOUSING.

STEVE SAUCIER MAYOR

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Telegram

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PMS OFFICE OF OCEANOGRAPHER OF THE NAVY, CARE JOHNNIE STEPHENS
, DLR

HOFFMAN BLDG 2 200 STOVALL

ALEXANDRIA VA 22332

THE CITY OF LONG BEACH MISSISSIPPI EXTENDS A HEARTY WELCOME TO NOC.
WE ASSURE COMPLIANCE TO FAIR HOUSING ACT. RECREATIONAL FACILITIES
ARE AVAILBLE TO CITIZENS OF ALL RACES AND AGES, AND WE ARE ANXIOUS
TO WORK WITH YOU IN ANY AND ALL OTHER MATTERS. BEST REGARDS,

SAM MAXWELL, MAYOR

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Telegram received over phone at 10:55 - 2/12



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JOHNNY STEPHENS

HOFFMAN BLDG 2 200 STOVALL ST

ALEXANDRIA VA 22332

PUBLIC RECREATION FACILITIES ARE AVAILABLE TO ANYONE IN PICAYUNE
THESE FACILITIES ARE MONITORED BY THE PICAYUNE RECREATION
ASSOCIATION AND CONSIST OF SWIMMING POOL SOFT BALL AND BASEBALL
DIAMOND GYMNASIUM AND TENNIS COURT

A L FRANKLIN CITY MGR CITY OF PICAYUNE

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From Johnny Longo, Mayor Waveland, Miss.

"ALL WAVELAND PUBLIC PARKS AND RECREATION AREAS
ARE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC WITH NO PREJUDICES OR
DISCRIMINATION AGAINST ANY."



FRANK N. CUSIMANO
Mayor

CITY of SLIDELL

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May 23, 1975

Department of the Navy
Office of Oceanographer
200 Stoval Street
Alexandria, Virginia 22332

Gentlemen:

The City of Slidell extends a cordial invitation of welcome to Navy Oceanographic personnel.

Further, please be advised that our City will certainly comply with all Federal regulations, as appropriate, in the relocation of your personnel.

Sincerely,

Frank N. Cusimano
Mayor

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APPENDIX H

MISSISSIPPI GULF COAST REGION RESOURCES

TAB A Area Resources Inventory Report

TAB B Recreational Highlights

AREA RESOURCES INVENTORY REPORT

Prepared By

THE SOUTHERN MISSISSIPPI PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

TAB A

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INTRODUCTION

An inventory of educational, medical, housing and recreational, day care, and cultural facilities and employment opportunities is compiled in this overall report to clear any misconceptions of inadequacy in these various areas. The report encompasses a three-county, seven city area to be hereafter referred to as "the area". Harrison and Hancock Counties are hereafter referred to as the Gulf Coast area. The three counties inventoried include Harrison, Hancock, and Pearl River. The cities for which data was accumulated are Biloxi, Gulfport, Long Beach, Pass Christian, Picayune, Poplarville and Bay St. Louis. It is to be noted that this is an inventory of available data, done in a limited time. Research was conducted through interviews and previous reports.

The various types and numbers of educational institutions in the area, and the quality of the education offered is covered in the report on schools. Teacher quality data was accumulated for the inventory, as was the area standing in regards to school accreditation. Pupil-teacher, pupil-book, and pupil-available funds ratios were inventoried and included in the report.

The medical report covers such pertinent areas as the number of hospitals available in the three county area, their general and unique capabilities, the occupancy percentages and rates for the various hospitals, and the number of physicians and their specialized fields. Other specialty hospitals outside the specific reported area, but within reasonable traveling distance, are also covered with their specific qualities included. Area nursing homes and ambulance services are also pointed out.

The housing and recreational facilities section encompasses the number of dwellings and their availability. Also covered is the average cost of typical dwellings including apartments, homes, condominiums, and land development areas. Traveling distances to and from the proposed NOC site from various dwelling areas is an integral part of the report as is a report on area utility rates.

The inventory on employment opportunities in the three county area noted the existing employment structure, the projected employment structure, the number of civil service jobs in the area, and the rate of unemployment.

Data was collected on the number of day care centers, their facilities, personnel, hours and capacity.

Cultural activities and events exist for the three county area residents in the specific report area and also outside the area. The traveling time is covered in this section as are the opportunities available for cultural entertainment.

SCHOOLS

SCHOOLS

Schools and the quality of education within the area are equal or superior to schools of equal size throughout the nation. There are ten school districts in the area and research indicates that the curricula are good and that there is a wide range of courses available. The ten districts average 76 courses of study per school, grades nine through twelve. These include courses such as Marine Biology, Calculus, Aerospace, 8 science courses, 54 occupational trades such as automotive mechanics, 4 foreign languages, and 7 type-B vocational shops in addition to the regular academic studies.

Teacher training is excellent. 98.4% of all teachers have A, AA or AAA teacher certificates which enhances the quality of education. Another indication of quality is the ACT test mean score average in the ten districts. Three districts have ACT means above 19, one above 18 and the remainder have scores above 16.7 except one. Further increasing the quality of education is the amount expended per pupil - an average of \$689. per pupil throughout the area.

The school districts in the immediate area can easily handle an influx of new students up to 6400. Each of the ten school districts can accommodate new students ranging from 100 in Harrison County Schools to 2000 in Biloxi City Schools.

All public schools have public libraries. The State of Mississippi requires that all schools have five or more books per student. The average found in this survey was 9.44 books per pupil.

All the schools in the area are members of the Mississippi Accrediting Association and six of the districts, including two of the largest, are members of the Southern Association of Schools. Only the top-rated schools qualify for membership to these Associations.

Students wishing to extend their education past high school have two junior colleges in the immediate area and a junior and senior year branch of the University of Southern Mississippi. There are also the University of Southern Mississippi at

Hattiesburg, the University of Mississippi at Oxford, Mississippi State University at Starkville and several denominational colleges in the State.

Private Schools

There are eighteen non-public schools in this area, of which fourteen are church related. Over 5,000 students take advantage of these facilities. All grades are taught and many schools have kindergartens. Cost per year for one child range from \$215.00 to \$1000.00 with additional children from \$45.00 to \$270.00. Some schools have buses to pick up and return students. Teacher/pupil relations are very good and are better than public schools in many cases. Additional students would be welcomed.

NONPUBLIC SCHOOLS OF HANCOCK, HARRISON & PEARL RIVER COUNTIES
 COST FOR ONE CHILD PER SCHOOL YEAR

	CHURCH RELATED	GRADES	CATHOLIC SCHOOLS			
			NON CATHOLIC SCHOOLS	MEMBERS OF PARISH	NON MEMBERS OF PARISH	NON CATHOLIC
Christ Episcopal Day School, Bay St. Louis	Episcopal	1-12	1-9 750.00 10-12 900.00			
Annunciation, Kiln	Catholic	1-8		251.00	251.00	251.00
Our Lady of the Gulf, Bay St. Louis	Catholic	1-6		270.00	315.00	405.00
St. Clare's, Waveland	Catholic	1-8		350.00	395.00	440.00
St. Stanishlans, Bay St. Louis	Catholic	7-12		450.00	450.00	450.00
St. Rose De Lima, Bay St. Louis	Catholic	1-8		219.00	219.00	219.00
Nativity BVM Elm-Biloxi	Catholic	1-6		215.00	332.00	332.00
Notre Dame- Biloxi	Catholic	7-12		440.00	440.00	650.00
Sacred Heart Girls High - Biloxi	Catholic	7-12		390.00	500.00	530.00
Westminster Academy- Gulfport	No	1-8	885.00			
St. James - Mississippi City	Catholic	1-6		260.00	395.00	440.00
St. Pauls - Pass Christina	Catholic	1-6		285.00	285.00	285.00
Harrison County Private #1, Biloxi	No	1-6	480.00			
St. Thomas - Long Beach	Catholic	1-6		221.00	371.00	371.00
St. John - Gulfport	Catholic	1-6		230.00	230.00	330.00
Gulf Coast Academy Gulfport	No	2-8	1000.00			
Our Lady of Fatima, Biloxi	Catholic	1-6		225.00	225.00	360.00
Pearl River Academy, Picayune	No	1-9	595.00			

AREA SCHOOLS
General Information

SCHOOLS	ENROLLMENT	CAPACITY	TOTAL COURSES	PUPILS PER TEACHER	ACT MEAN SCORES	PERCENT OF TEACHERS WITH A, AA, OR AAA CERTIFICATES	NUMBER LIBRARY BOOKS	EXPENSES PER PUPIL
Gulfport	8,035	9,500	101	20.9	20.2	99.4	80,350	\$663
Long Beach	3,364	3,700	87	19.6	19.0	100.0	43,000	\$670
Pass Christian	1,566	2,100	74	20.6	15.0	98.6	19,723	\$780
Biloxi	8,382	10,400	120	20.0	19.8	99.0	83,820	\$700
Harrison Co.	9,560	9,700	93	24.6	17.0	98.3	57,360	\$558
Hancock Co.	1,681	1,900	100	21.6	14.0	90.3	14,430	\$813
Bay St. Louis	1,936	2,400	50	20.3	16.7	100.0	11,400	\$752
Pearl River Co.	1,227	1,600	33	24.1	17.0	100.0	15,000	\$617
Picayune	3,691	4,200	65	22.1	18.0	99.4	42,000	\$645
Poplarville	1,777	2,100	40	20.3	16.9	98.8	21,830	\$692
Totals or Average	<u>41,219</u>	<u>47,600</u>	<u>76</u>	<u>21.4</u>	<u>17.4</u>	<u>98.4</u>	<u>388,913</u>	<u>\$689</u>

MEDICAL FACILITIES

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There are two civilian hospitals within Harrison County. Memorial Hospital at Gulfport is the area's largest public hospital. A recent \$6.5 million addition has increased the hospital's number of beds to 283 and expanded ancillary departments to the point that they are capable of serving up to 480 beds, the ultimate size planned for the hospital. These departments include nuclear medicine, cobalt and radiation therapy, physical and inhalation therapy, EEG and EKG, renal dialysis, intensive and coronary care units, pathology, and emergency and outpatient services.

Howard Memorial Hospital in Biloxi recently completed an addition that brings its total number of beds to 206. Among the hospital's complete ancillary services are physical and inhalation therapy, an intensive-care unit, and cobalt therapy.

The 56-bed Hancock General Hospital in Bay St. Louis has all the facilities of a short-term general hospital, including a 24-hour emergency room.

The Gulf Coast's largest medical complex is the Veterans Administration Medical Center, which serves the needs of the veteran population of surrounding states. The general medical and surgical division includes a 209 bed hospital, a 723 bed domiciliary facility, and a 71 bed nursing home - care unit. The psychiatric division has a 566 bed neuropsychiatric hospital plus a 135 bed intermediate-care unit. Active servicemen stationed in the area have excellent medical facilities at Keesler Air Force Base. The 400 bed hospital there is one of the best in the U.S. Air Force.

The average daily semi-private room rates on the Gulf Coast are \$38.00 to \$44.00, and the average private room rates are \$43.00 to \$55.00 per day. The average bed occupancy rate ranges from 65% to 90% capacity.

There are approximately 135 civilian physicians and surgeons on the Gulf Coast with specialists in the following fields: allergy; cardiovascular; dermatology; ear, eye, nose and throat; eye; family practice; general practice; gynecology and

obstetrics; internal medicine; neurosurgery; orthopedics; pediatrics; plastic surgery; psychiatry; radiology; surgery; thoracic surgery; and urology.

In Pearl River County there are two general hospitals. The largest is the Lucius O. Crosby Memorial Hospital located in Picayune with 96 beds. This hospital has 19 physicians and surgeons on the staff and offers extended medical care including a coronary and intensive care unit. Poplarville has a 40 bed hospital with all the facilities of a short-term general hospital, including a 24-hour emergency room. Room rates in Pearl River County range from \$38.00 to \$49.00 per day.

Nearby in adjoining Forrest County there are also two hospitals which includes the State's second largest privately owned hospital, Forrest County General Hospital. Forrest General has 320 beds at present with 92 physicians and surgeons on the staff. All ancillary services are available at this hospital including nuclear medicine, cobalt and radiation therapy, physical and inhalation therapy, EEG and EKG, renal dialysis, intensive and coronary care units, pathology, and emergency and outpatient services. Room rates at Forrest General range from \$41.00 to \$55.00 per day with an occupancy rate of about 85%. Forrest General is now undergoing an addition phase which will eventually add 100 beds.

Methodist Hospital, also located in Hattiesburg, is Forrest County's other privately owned hospital. Methodist has 191 beds with a staff of physicians and surgeons of 90. All ancillary services are available at this hospital that are available at Forrest General with the exception of renal dialysis.

Seventy miles west of the Gulf Coast is New Orleans, Louisiana, with its many large medical complexes, including Turo and Oshner Foundation Hospitals. Interstate 10, which connects the Gulf Coast with New Orleans, makes this city just slightly more than an hour away by automobile.

For treatment of patients with burns, there is a burn center at Mobile General Hospital in Mobile, Alabama, which is one hour away from the Gulf Coast by automobile. University Hospital in Jackson, Mississippi, also offers special services to the burned patients through their burn center.

The Gulf Coast is well covered on a 24-hour a day basis with three separate ambulance services. Each of these services has special-equipped ambulances of the most modern type.

In the three-county area of Harrison, Hancock and Pearl River Counties, there are at least seven long-term care facilities that provide care for the elderly and the convalescent patient. The combined total of beds in these long-term care facilities is more than 600. The daily rates of these nursing homes vary as to the extent of care needed by the patient; however, the average daily rate appears to be less than \$20.00 per day. Each of the nursing homes has at least one physician on call at all times and at least one registered nurse on duty at all times.

HOUSING

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The following report is the conclusion of an inventory conducted over a three-county, seven city area concerning housing and recreational facilities on the Mississippi Gulf Coast. The counties and the cities within this area are Hancock County (Bay St. Louis), Pearl River County (Picayune, Poplarville), and Harrison County (Biloxi, Gulfport, Long Beach, and Pass Christian). All of the aforementioned areas are within a reasonable traveling distance of the proposed relocation site for the Naval Oceanographic Center, (NOC). Biloxi is the farthest point, being forty-four miles from the proposed site. Poplarville and Gulfport are both thirty-two miles from the NASA Test Facility. Long Beach is approximately twenty-eight miles and Pass Christian, twenty-four miles from NASA. Closer to the test site are Bay St. Louis, only seventeen miles, and Picayune, only eight miles from the proposed site for NOC.

Apartments

Harrison County has two hundred and seventeen apartment complexes with 6,873 units. Hancock County has twelve apartment complexes with one hundred and seventy-nine (179) units. Pearl River County has six apartment complexes with ninety-one (91) units. A report conducted from 1971-73 showed a 32.8 percent growth in the number of units with an approximate vacancy rate of 14.59 percent of the total units in the area at the time of the report (August, 1973). The conditions of existing apartments as of August, 1973, in the area were reported as:

Good	75.79%
Fair	22.29%
Poor	4.17%

Approximate rental cost for an average apartment in the area include:

- I. Gulfport/Biloxi/Long Beach/Pass Christian
 - 1 bedroom - unfurnished -- \$140 per month
 - 2 bedroom - unfurnished -- \$165 per month
 - 1 bedroom - furnished -- \$165 per month
 - 2 bedroom - furnished -- \$200 per month
- II. Bay St. Louis
 - 1 bedroom - unfurnished -- \$90 per month
 - 2 bedroom - unfurnished -- \$150 per month
 - 1 bedroom - furnished -- \$150 per month
 - 2 bedroom - furnished -- \$180 per month
- III. Poplarville
 - 1 bedroom - unfurnished -- \$95 per month
 - 2 bedroom - unfurnished -- \$115 per month
 - 1 bedroom - furnished -- \$125 per month
 - 2 bedroom - furnished -- \$150 per month
- IV. Picayune
 - 1 bedroom - unfurnished -- \$100 per month
 - 2 bedroom - unfurnished -- \$125 per month
 - 1 bedroom - furnished -- \$150 per month
 - 2 bedroom - furnished -- \$175 per month

Apartments available in this report area range from duplex wood-frame or block-type buildings with linoleum floors to brick-type complexes of 200 units in the townhouse style with all the modern conveniences included. The following are examples of many of the features generally found in the apartments in this study area in the middle to upper rent range. Interior design generally includes such features as full carpeting, central air and heat, all electric, general electric kitchens,

dishwashers and disposals. Apartments may also include apartment complex laundries and recreational facilities such as pools, saunas, tennis courts, whirlpools, and recreation rooms. Some complexes have private nurseries for children.

Homes

The building costs for the Gulf Coast area include:

1. Cost of Lots - \$4,000 to \$14,000; 100 x 150 (typical size)
Approximate building cost per square foot - \$15 to \$22
2. Bay St. Louis
Cost of Lots - \$1,500 to \$6,000; 125 x 200 (typical size)
Approximate building cost per square foot - \$13 to \$20
3. Poplarville
Cost of Lots - \$2,500 to \$3,500; 100 x 150 (typical size)
Approximate building cost per square foot - \$15 to \$20
4. Picayune
Cost of Lots - \$3,500 to \$10,000; 85 x 150 (typical size)
Approximate building cost per square foot - \$15 to \$21

The average property cost on the Gulf Coast for a 75' x 125' lot is \$7,500 or better. For more convenient areas, the price would range around \$8,500.

The building cost for a typical FHA, VA, brick-type home in Picayune is approximately sixteen to twenty-two dollars a square foot. Lots in Picayune (80 to 140 x 150) run from \$3,000 to \$12,000. A ten to twelve year old apartment, one bedroom with carpet, oven, dishwasher, heat and air, 600 square feet to 1,200

square feet (2 bedroom) would run approximately \$100 to \$175 per month. Along the Gulf Coast, an existing brick structure and lot (75' x 135') three bedroom, one and a half bath would cost approximately \$25,000, including the lot. FHA and VA loans are available on the Coast and in Picayune and Poplarville.

There are presently approximately 75-100 homes available in Picayune in the \$20,000 - \$70,000 price range.

On the Gulf Coast there are approximately 600 listings in the \$30,000 to \$70,000 price range. Of these 600, 195 new homes and 200 condominiums exist in Harrison County alone. There are also approximately 200 homes available between \$10,000 and \$30,000, and between \$70,000 and \$150,000.

Land Development Areas

Land development areas offer a variety in homes and condominiums. Located around Poplarville are Lake Hillsdale Estates and Wolf River Ranch, both an estimated 38 miles from the proposed NOC site. Discovery Bay and Pass Christian Isles development areas are situated in Pass Christian, both approximately 20 miles from the NASA Test Site.

The most developed and most conveniently located land development project to the NASA site is Diamondhead. It is located approximately 12 miles from NASA on Interstate 10 at the Diamondhead Interchange.

Other development areas include Lake Village Estates, Anchor Lake and Hideaway Lake, Inc., all within reasonable traveling time, usually 40 minutes or less.

Lake Hillsdale Estates consists of 2,000 lots and 80 available sites with 600 additional building sites under construction.

As far as recreational facilities, Lake Hillsdale Estates provides its residents with two tennis courts and two swimming pools. They also offer a 70 acre and a 40 acre fishing lake with a 90 acre boating lake under construction. For horse lovers, they offer stables and for golfers a 9-hole course and clubhouse. There is also an 82

unit Holiday Inn located in the estates. The pre-fabricated module homes cost approximately \$20,000, lot included, 1,200 square feet, 3 bedrooms and 2 baths.

Wolf River Ranch includes 517 lots average 90' x 150' with an average cost of \$4,500. Presently, there are 17 families with 200 lots available. (The approximate building cost per square foot is \$15 - \$20. Wolf River Ranch has central sewage and its own central water system.) Recreational facilities include one swimming pool, a 9-hole, par-3 golf course, riding stables, camping facilities, a 15-acre fishing lake and clubhouse. To be completed in 1975 are two tennis courts, another pool, and a hanger with a club room to accommodate the grass airstrip.

Discovery Bay has 600 lots available, approximately 75' x 125' starting at \$5,000. There are five units of condominiums and four are available at approximately \$22,000 each. Recreational facilities consist of a yacht club and marina, three recreation areas (two with pools), one tennis court and three pools at the clubhouse.

Diamondhead is 6,000 acres at 105' elevation, consisting of 6,500 sites of which 1,000 building sites are available. At present, 350 permanent residencies have been established. Diamondhead has available 120 out of 350, one, two, and three bedroom condominiums for \$25,000 to \$49,000. The two bedroom condominium is approximately 950 square feet. Recreational facilities include seven pools, an 18-hole golf course, driving range, and country club. They also have available a yacht club and basin, and three tennis courts with eight under construction. Condominiums and other facilities are located on salt water or fresh water (two lakes approximately 15 acres each) frontage.

Power Rate

The Mississippi Power Company, the urban servicing utility company for this report area, notes that the power rate for a conventional residence is \$16.84 for 500 kilowatt hours. For 1,000 kilowatt hours, the cost would be \$28.70; for 2,000 kw hours, the cost would be \$52.40; for 3,000 kw hours - \$76.10; and for 4,000 kw hours - \$99.80. The rate for an all electric home would cost the user about 10% less.

Area Tax Structure

The tax structure for the area around the proposed NOC site is fairly agreeable. The closely approximated figures listed below are for the cities and three counties included in this report and are figured with homestead exemption, which is available to residents who apply for it yearly.

Gulfport

1. City - (e.g., \$50,000 home)
taxes are estimated at \$498 per year.
2. County - (e.g., \$66,000 home)
taxes are estimated at \$159 per year

Long Beach

1. City - (e.g., \$44,000 home)
taxes are estimated at \$412 per year
2. County - (e.g., \$50,000 home)
taxes are estimated at \$240 per year

Hancock County

1. City - (e.g., \$50,000 home)
taxes are estimated at \$510 per year
2. County - (e.g., \$50,000 home)
taxes are estimated at \$307 per year

Pearl River County

1. City (Picayune) - (e.g., \$50,000 home)
taxes are estimated at \$307 per year
2. County - (e.g., \$50,000 home)
taxes are estimated at \$150 per year

RECREATION

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Both private and municipal recreational facilities in the study area were found to be numerous and varied in nature. The more numerous and extensive facilities exist along the Gulf Coast area in Harrison County. The largest of public recreational facilities in this county is the beach itself. This offers, of course, sunbathing, sailing, and salt-water fishing. The City of Biloxi offers eleven public tennis courts, three public swimming pools, four municipal recreation centers for basketball, ping pong, billiards, etc., seven playgrounds throughout the city, one picnic and general recreation area with boat launches and outdoor pavillions, and other various public recreational programs such as City league sports, gymnastics, and crafts classes.

Municipal recreational facilities found in Gulfport include twenty-one tennis courts of which twelve are lighted, six recreational centers with related equipment and ten playgrounds and parks throughout the City. Long Beach and Pass Christian combined have six lighted tennis courts, three baseball parks, four additional school parks that the public has access to, and two other public parks with playground and picnic facilities. Hancock and Pearl River counties public recreational facilities include seventeen public parks with 13 baseball and softball fields, nine tennis courts, and several playground areas. Other facilities available to the public in Hancock and Pearl River Counties are numerous fishing camps in the Hancock County area, as well as three municipal fishing piers. Their camps offer access to some of the greatest salt-water fishing in the world. There is a small fee involved for usage of the camps for such things as boat launching or boat rental. There are approximately ten fishing camps in this area and the fees vary from one camp to another.

Other recreational facilities privately owned but available to the public at a small fee include several horseback riding stables, several fishing lakes, small and big

game hunting areas, and two summer camps for boys and girls.

For the golfer this area abounds with challenging golf courses. The Gulf Coast alone has nine private, semi-private and municipal golf courses. This includes two 18-hole, par-three municipal courses with averaging green fees of approximately \$2.50. Other 18-hole courses available to the public are Broadwater Beach Hotel which has the Sun Course (18-hole) and the Sea Course (18-hole), Bayou View Golf Course which also has a driving range, swimming pool, clubhouse, and teaching pros for members. All of the 18-hole courses available to the public on the Gulf Coast are semi-public in nature in that membership can be purchased and the public is allowed to use only the golfing facilities while members have usage of the many other features. Two other 18-hole, semi-public courses are the Edgewater Golf Course and the Sunkist Country Club. Green fees vary according to the course but an average would be in the neighborhood of \$5.75 to \$6.00. Membership fees for this course average approximately \$150.00 per year for a single membership and \$300.00 per year for a family membership. Other private clubs along the Gulf Coast are the Yacht clubs with their country club-type features.

There are also many historical spots and scenic places of interest to visit in this area. These include such places as Jefferson Davis' home, Beauvoir, Ship Island with its Spanish Fort, and Marineland, just to name a few. The recreational facilities, both public and private, in our report area are certainly numerous and varied and reflect a large part of the lifestyle of this area.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

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In the Harrison, Hancock, and Pearl River County areas, there are approximately 7,588 Civil Service positions in existence within a one-hour drive of the test facility.

There are also several hundred professional positions existing along the Gulf Coast such as legal secretaries, medical secretaries, medical aids, and dental assistants, with all salaries comparable with the national level.

DuPont Corporation is in the process of constructing a \$200 million plant in the Pass Christian area, immediately employing 40 professional personnel and 360 skilled personnel. And within a twelve-month period, the employment number will increase to 120 professional and 800 skilled personnel.

Keesler Air Force Base has plans awaiting approval for a \$43 million addition to its present hospital facilities that would create an additional several hundred new Civil Service positions.

It should be considered that this area's industry consists of 13% manufacturing, this figure increasing annually.

The unemployment rate for Harrison County is 6.1% and 7.9% for Hancock County. Pearl River County has an unemployment rate of 8.3%. The current unemployment rates for the area are below the national rate of 8.7%.

The cost of living factor for this area should be considered in proportion to the employment opportunities and the unemployment rate.

As a planning and development district, the area indicates a favorable climate for employment opportunities and industry growth.

DAY CARE CENTERS

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In the three-county report area of the NASA Test Site, we have a total of 41 licensed Day Care Centers. Harrison County has 34 Centers, Hancock County has 5 Centers, and Pearl River County has 2 Centers. All of these Day Care Centers are licensed by the Mississippi State Board of Health. The Board of Health requires that each child has 70 square feet of outside play area and 35 square feet of indoor area. They do not require a license from anyone keeping five or less children. Day Care Centers are inspected and approved by the local health and fire departments on a regular basis.

Centers range in hours open from "only in the mornings" to "24 hours a day". Some Day Care Centers will accept a child as early as eight months of age and some will accept children in elementary school. Pre-school and kindergarten classes are available in most Centers. Some of the activities that are presented are: indoor and outside crafts, music, field trips, learning programs, and physical education programs. Speech Therapists are a part of some Day Care Center Personnel. The staffs vary from two people to more than twenty in the larger Centers. Most of the Day Care Centers studied have the facilities to accommodate additional children.

CULTURAL EVENTS

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A triangle of culture exists from New Orleans, Louisiana, to Mobile, Alabama, to Jackson, Mississippi, and all along the Gulf Coast. Hattiesburg, Mississippi, also offers some entertainment for the cultural activist.

Cultural organizations in New Orleans are coordinated and publicized by a group known as Overture. Overture coordinates twenty-four different cultural organizations in and around the New Orleans area. Traveling time from the three-county area to any of the events sponsored by the following groups is anywhere from one hour and a half to one hour.

For dance lovers, New Orleans has for anyone's entertainment various ballet companies, including the Ballet Hysell of New Orleans, the Delta Festival Ballet, the New Orleans Ballet Foundation, and the Community Concert Association of New Orleans which brings in famous ballet companies and individual artists. Long View Gardens also has outdoor ballet events, as well as chamber music and the garden itself.

New Orleans is the original city of "Jazz" but few people realize the other musical aspects of the old city. For one's musical enjoyment, New Orleans offers the New Orleans Friends of Music, the New Orleans Guild (which also sponsors plays), the Concert Choir of New Orleans, the New Orleans Philharmonic Symphony Society, the New Orleans Music and Drama Foundation, and the newly formed New Orleans Civic Symphony for amateurs who are interested in playing but not working professionally.

Drama abounds in New Orleans for every age group and taste. Gallery Circle Theatre for the younger group offers such programs as "Hair" and "Jesus Christ Superstar". The New Energy Theatre puts on plays such as "Hot L Baltimore" for the young adults. Le Petit Theatre Du Vieux Carre translates in English to "the small theatre of the French Quarters," and Les Comediene Francais is a group which does its programs in French. The New Orleans Recreation Department Theatre puts

on plays written by the people of New Orleans themselves. There is also the Public Playhouse which entertains with puppet shows for children and adults. The New Orleans Poetry Forum is another new drama group under the auspices of Overture.

The Marshall Art Foundation presents a variety of services to the art lover in many mediums. Art exhibits, lectures and the Maidwood Festival are all events sponsored by the MAF. Other groups involved in presenting art forms are the New Orleans Art Association and a new group known as Craft a la Carte.

Friends of Public Libraries also present lectures on various topics.

The big event that Overture endorses, and the event that brings it financial help is the annual concert and fashion show presented by Maison Blanche, a division of a New York based department store.

The Gulf Coast's neighbor to the East also offers many cultural opportunities for the lover of the arts. Only an hour away, Mobile is easily accessible, most of the drive being interstate highway. Many of the cultural entertainment presentations are offered in the huge city auditorium.

The Allied Arts Council in Mobile notes that Mobile has approximately 1,300 cultural events a year. Among the sponsoring groups are the Mobile Little Theater, six other theater companies, and the Community Concert Association. Musical groups include the Chamber Music Society, the New Orleans Orchestra which offers six concerts per year, and the Mobile Opera Guild. Mobile has an Art Gallery which includes a recently built one million dollar addition. The battleship "Alabama" and Bellingrath Gardens are also offered for sightseeing adventurers.

To the north of the Coast are Hattiesburg, Mississippi, which is 85 minutes from the Coast, and Jackson, Mississippi, the state Capital which is three hours from the area.

Hattiesburg offers the Hattiesburg Concert Association, the Hattiesburg Art Association, the Hattiesburg Area Historical Society, and the Hattiesburg Little Theatre, which presents approximately five productions per year. There is also the

Civil Arts Council and the Fine Arts Departments of the University of Southern Mississippi and William Carey College. William Carey College presents at least three dramas a year in their own Thomas Hall Fine Arts Auditorium which seats 1,200.

Jackson, Mississippi, has approximately 1,200 - 1,400 cultural events annually sponsored by a number of culture groups in the City. Many of these events are presented in the Mississippi Coliseum and the Jackson City Auditorium. Jackson has a Little Theatre group as well as the New Stage which offers traveling road shows such as "Barefoot In The Park". There is also a Community Children's Theatre for youngsters. For music lovers Jackson offers a variety of organizations including the Jackson Symphony League, the Mississippi Opera Association, the Jackson Opera Guild and the Jackson Music Association which presents classical concerts. The Mississippi Art Association and the Jackson Ballet Guild are also located in Jackson. Each year rodeo and livestock shows come to Jackson and Ice Follies come once a year.

Closer to home are the various organizations and the events they sponsor in the three-county report area.

Nearly all of the seven cities have Little Theatre groups.

The big event on the Coast is the Spring Showcase of the Arts which is sponsored by the Greater Gulf Coast Arts Council. This event lasts more than a month and includes performances and exhibitions by organizations such as the Mississippi Gulf Coast Ballet, the seventy-five piece Gulf Coast Symphony Orchestra, the Gulf Coast Stamp Club, and an outdoor performance at Beauvoir home by the Gulf Coast Opera Association.

A branch of the Gulf Coast Opera Association is the new Opera Salon, a women's auxiliary.

Other music groups are the Community Concert Association which sponsored the Johann Strauss ensemble, and the Gulf Coast Consortium of Ancient Instruments. The Keesler Air Force Base band and chorus and local bands and choruses also offer entertainment.

A new drama group in Gulfport was formed to sponsor more recent, off-broadway adult plays.

There are many art galleries along the Coast and Edgewater Plaza Shopping Mall hosts art shows periodically. Junior college student artists from Jefferson Davis College also present their work periodically.

A future cultural attraction for the Gulf Coast is a Coliseum-Convention Complex. The facility will be located in Biloxi and the forty-eight acre site is being cleared for construction at the time of this report. The thirty-one million dollar multi-functional coliseum will seat 10,000 persons. Expected completion date is April, 1977. The adjoining Convention-Exhibition Hall will accommodate three thousand and have banquet facilities and exhibit space.

The Fine Arts Theatre Complex will contain a full working stage theatre and will seat approximately 2,200 people. The Fine Arts Center will also contain a "Little Theatre", seating 500 people. An Art Museum and Arts and Crafts Center will also be included. The Fine Arts Center is designed to be of service to the entire State of Mississippi.

This multi-functional coliseum will certainly be an asset to the entire Gulf Coast area and will provide a conventional facility and provide cultural and entertainment activity for local area citizens.

CONCLUSION

This report will serve as a source of information concerning available resources and their inventory within the three south Mississippi counties of Harrison, Hancock, and Pearl River. The available resources researched are schools, medical facilities, available and existing housing (excluding government owned and/or subsidized housing), employment opportunities, day care centers, and cultural activities. It is the main objective of this report to determine the existing facilities and their capabilities in this area. Some of the figures in this report are accurate approximations due to the lack of reporting time and available information on the studied topics, but for the most part, the figures are definite concrete findings obtained through research and conference with experts of the area in each of the separate topics. It is the general results of this report that this area provides excellent facilities and opportunities for its residents and newcomers to this area. This is based primarily on such factors as the number of facilities, their inventory, opportunities, and activities in proportion to the physical geography and population of the area.

RECREATIONAL HIGHLIGHTS

Below we have provided in limited space a comprehensive guide of "Where to Go, What to See and What to Do" on the beautiful Mississippi Gulf Coast. This guide reads east to west along U.S. Highway 90. For more information, phone numbers are provided.

ACTIVITIES

● **AMUSEMENT PARK** - Biloxi - West Beach Hwy. 90. Open year round. Phone 432-8946.

● **ARCADE** - Biloxi - Family Fun Center (Airconditioned) & Mini Golf, West Beach Biloxi, Hwy. 90, 388-9070.

● **BEACHES** - The 26-mile world's longest man-made sand beach: 300 feet wide, from Biloxi to Henderson Point, pumped in by 3 hydraulic dredges in 1951. Beaches at Pascagoula, Ocean Springs, Bay St. Louis, Waveland and many additional miles of beaches and surf on the offshore islands reached only by boat.

● **BOATING** - Launching ramps available, in most towns. Powerboating in the Mississippi Sound, Escatawpa River, Pascagoula River, Bluff Creek, on Biloxi Back Bay, Fort Bayou, Tchoutacabouffa, Biloxi, Wolf and Jordan Rivers and many bays.

● **BOWLING** - Pascagoula - Magnolia Bowling Lanes, 1250 Denny Ave., U.S. 90, 18 lanes - Biloxi - Beach Bowl, West Beach, U.S. 90, 24 lanes and billiard tables. 432-0436. Mississippi City - Mid City Lanes, 340 Courthouse Rd., 864-3911. Gulfport - Triangle Lanes, 3100 25th Ave., 864-3033.

● **DANCING** - Biloxi - Buena Vista Marine Room, Central Beach 432-5511. White Pillars, Rodenberg at Beach, 435-7379. Gus Stevens Bucaneer Supper Club, 432-2574. Ramada Inn, 388-5512, Fiesta at the Fiesta, Cabana Beach, 388-9818. Top of the Sheraton, Sheraton-Biloxi Motor Inn, 388-4141. Sun-N-Sand Motor Hotel Lounge, 388-3131. Royal Terrace Room, Broadwater Beach Hotel, West Beach, 388-2211. Rowntowner Motor Inn Lounge, 388-3310. Gulfport - Holiday Inn, 864-4310. Long Beach - Ramada Inn, 864-8811.

● **DEEP-SEA CHARTER FISHING BOATS** - Here is how you can go fishing in the Gulf either on a fishing boat that charges \$10 per person and \$5 per child or on one that charges by the day. Those charging by the day average \$100 per day, 6 persons or less; \$75 for 5 hours, 8 persons or less includes tackle, bait and ice. Charges for larger boats proportionately higher. Lunches and other refreshments, if desired, can be arranged with individual operator. When making your reservations please check details. Weekend rates may be slightly higher.

● **PASCAGOULA AND GAUTIER** Check your motel for information on charter boats currently operating.

BILOXI

At Biloxi Port Commission Pier, Small Craft Harbor
At Broadwater Beach Water Marina - Phone 388-3663

GULFPORT

All at Small Craft Harbor
● **EXCURSION BOATS TO SHIP ISLAND** - leave 8:30 a.m. and 2 p.m. April through September for Ship Island, surf bathing and Fort Massachusetts, Canteen on island for food and refreshments. Biloxi - Pan American, Central Beach. 432-2197. Gulfport - Pan American Clipper. Small Craft Harbor. 864-1014, if no answer

dial 436-6010.

● **FISHING** - Freshwater and saltwater and deep-sea fishing coast-wide and year round, also both hard and soft-shell crabbing, floundering and mullet net casting. No license or limit on saltwater fishing. Fishing for freshwater fish requires non-resident license of \$1.75 for 3 days. Some varieties of fish are caught all year long. Check locally for salt and freshwater legal fishing boundaries.

● **FISHING CAMPS** - On all waters in the 3 Coast counties.

● **FREE FISHING GUIDE** - of the Mississippi Gulf Coast, write or phone Leon O. Paulette, Harrison County Area Extension Agent, Box 4557 West Biloxi Station, Biloxi, Miss. 39531, Phone 388-4710 or ask at your hotel or motel desk.

● **FISHING PIERS** - For saltwater fishing. Ocean Springs - Old Biloxi-Ocean Springs Bridge. Biloxi - Old Biloxi-Ocean Springs Bridge, Small Craft Harbor, foot of Hopkins Ave., also Pat Harrison Ave., Long Beach and Mississippi City, rock pile jetties. Gulfport - Rock pile pier south end of 20th Ave. Pass Christian - Small Craft Harbor.

● **GOLF COURSES** - Pascagoula - Country Club Golf Course. Longfellow House nine-hole golf course for guests, 762-1222. Gautier-Hickory Hill Country Club, 762-3333. Ocean Springs - Gulf Hills Inn and Golf Club Course, 875-5901. Biloxi - Broadwater Beach Sun Golf Course Beauvoir Rd., 388-3672 Sunkist Golf Course, off Popp's Ferry Road, across Back Bay, follow signs, Hometown country club membership card permits play. 388-2373. Edgewater Golf Course - located north of Edgewater Plaza Shopping City, 896-3743. Gulfport - Broadwater Beach Sea Golf Course, overlooking the Gulf, U.S. 90, 896-4482. Bayou View Golf Course, 863-7808. Pass Christian Isles Golf Course - Follow signs north off U.S. 90, west end of Pass Christian, 452-4851. All 18 holes, daily fee unless otherwise noted.

● **GOLF COURSES** - Par 3. Play night or day. Biloxi - Broadwater Beach Hotel, Fun Course, northwest corner hotel grounds. 388-2211. Biloxi Par 3, Popp's Ferry Rd. across Bay. Look for sign, 388-3631. Gulfport - 3 par Golf Course, 700 34th, 864-0044.

● **GOLF - MINIATURE** - Ocean Springs - Springs Mini Golf. Biloxi - Goofy Golf, West Beach, Hwy. 90, 435-1196. Family Fun Center - Mini Golf - Arcade - Games, West Beach, Hwy. 90. 388-6070.

● **HORSE BACK RIDING** - Ocean Springs - Gulf Hills Riding Stables, 875-2305. Saddle horses and hay rides.

● **HORSE RACING** - New Orleans-Fair Grounds, from Thanksgiving through March.

● **MOVIES - THEATRES AND DRIVE-IN** - In Pascagoula, Moss Point, Biloxi, Gulfport and Bay St. Louis.

● **NITE SPOTS** - Ocean Springs - Bayou Chateau King Williams Cellar, 875-9271. Biloxi - Buena Vista Marine Room and Blue Lounge, 432-5511. White Pillars, Rodenberg at Beach, 435-7379. Gus Stevens Bucaneer Supper Club, 432-2574. Ramada Inn, 388-5512. Fiesta at the Fiesta, Cabana Beach Motel, 388-9818. Top of the Sheraton and Flagship Lounge, Sheraton-Biloxi Motor Inn. 388-4141. Sun-N-Sand Motor Hotel Lounge, 388-3131. Broadwater Beach Hotel Royal Terrace Room and

Trophy Lounge, 388-2211. Holiday Inn Lafitte Lounge, 388-3551. Admiral Benbow Inn Crows' Nest Lounge, 388-1000. Rowntowner Motor Inn Lounge, West Beach, Biloxi 388-3310. Gulfport - Holiday Inn, 864-4310. Jolly Roger Lounge, Down-towner Motor Inn, 864-4850. Long Beach - Ramada Inn, 864-8811.

● **SAILING** - Biloxi - Small sailboats for rent at various spots along the beachfront.

● **SHOPPING** - Pascagoula, Ocean Springs, Biloxi, Edgewater Plaza, Gulfport, Pass Road, Long Beach, Pass Christian and Bay St. Louis.

● **SKATING RINKS** - Ocean Springs - J & L Skating Rink, Rose Farm Rd., 875-2744. Biloxi - Skateland, 324 Iberville Dr., 436-9343. Gulfport - Gulfport Skating Rink, 2900 20th Ave., 863-9432. Long Beach - Daugherty Rd., 863-9552.

● **SUPER SLIDE** - Biloxi - West Beach - Hwy. 90. 388-5810. Gulfport - Hwy. 90 Southside.

● **SWIMMING POOLS** - Most Hotels, Motels and Country Clubs have pools for their guests.

● **SWIMMING - SURF BATHING** - On the islands, by private boat or excursion boats (see listing).

● **TENNIS COURTS** - Pascagoula - Longfellow House and Community House. Ocean Springs - Gulf Hills Inn, 875-4211. Biloxi - Sun-N-Sand Motor Hotel, 388-3131. Broadwater Beach Hotel and Golf Course, 388-2211. Gulfport - Westside Community Center.

● **WATER SPORTS** - All along Coast - Fishing, Swimming, Sailing, Rowing. Powerboating. Aqua-planing, Waterskiing, Skindiving, just plain Wading and Splashing.

SIGHTSEEING

EAST OF PASCAGOULA

● **BELLINGRATH GARDENS AND HOME** - Located south of Theodore, Ala., Interstate 10 or Hwy. 90. Follow signs. Open year round, Bellfontaine 973-2217 or 2365.

MOSS POINT

● **ESCATAWPA RIVER** - In its Industrial Area are located International Paper Mill, Thikole Chemical Co., Menhaden Industries and the Miss. Export R.R.

PASCAGOULA

● **BAYOU CASOTTE** - Jackson County 7200 acre Industrial Area with deep water channel. East of Pascagoula, south of Hwy. 90. Coastal Chemical Corp. \$120 million dollar integrated chemical fertilizer complex. Standard Oil Co. of Kentucky \$277 million dollar oil refinery, first in Mississippi - a 135,000 barrel a day cracking plant with a hundred mile underwater pipe line from off shore wells in Louisiana. H. K. Porter Co. - The South's first fully integrated \$20 million Basic Refractory Plant.

● **LONGFELLOW HOUSE** - On Pascagoula's Beach Drive, this historic house, where legend contends Longfellow was visiting when he wrote his famous poem "The Building of the Ship," is now a resort operated by the Ingalls Shipbuilding Corp. 762-1122.

● **INGALLS SHIPBUILDING DIVISION OF LITTON** - Mississippi's largest industrial employer. Ingalls West Division - a new mechanized ship manufacturing plant; Ingalls East Division - a facility specializing in production and overhaul of nuclear powered submarines.

● **OLD SPANISH FORT & CEME-**

TERY - Built in 1718. Museum. Follow signs north of U.S. 90 near Pascagoula River Bridge.

● **SINGING RIVER** - The beautiful name given to the Pascagoula River by the Indian legend.

● **8 1/2 MILLION GRAIN ELEVATOR** - of Jackson County with 3,100,000-bushel capacity on the west bank of the East Pascagoula River for export grain.

GAUTIER

● **GAUTIER PLANTATION HOME** - West Hwy. 90. Pascagoula Bridge, beautiful plantation home and old log House of History. Open to public.

● **STERN-WHEELER** - Magnolia Blossom, West Pascagoula River at the Old Place. Sightseeing cruises on East and West Pascagoula rivers to Old Spanish Fort and past the Shipyards and back to the Old Place. Phones: Day 762-1092. Nite 762-4177.

● **SINGING RIVER POTTERY** - Excellent original regional handmade souvenirs by Josie Gautier. Old Hwy. 90 near river. 762-6342.

● **JACKSON COUNTY CAMPUS, MISSISSIPPI GULF COAST JUNIOR COLLEGE** - on northside Hwy. 90.

OCEAN SPRINGS

● **GULF ISLANDS NATIONAL SEASHORE** - Headquarters just east of Ocean Springs on the former Magnolia State Park grounds, Camping and Marina. Gulf Islands National Seashore, which includes Ship, Horn and Petit Bois Islands in Mississippi as well as its headquarters is under construction.

● **GULF COAST RESEARCH LABORATORY** - Located 2 miles south-

east of Ocean Springs on Beach Drive. 875-2244.

● **SHEARWATER POTTERY** - Follow signs carefully, 875-4678.

● **GAZEBO** - Beach Drive. Last of many on the Coast.

● **FORT MAUREPAS** - Historic marker south of U.S. 90 on Beach Drive marks site of the first fort and permanent white settlement in Mississippi Valley, 1699.

● **SCENIC DRIVE** - Ocean Springs Beach Drive south around the point of the Bay from Hwy. 90.

BILOXI

● **MARINE EDUCATION CENTER** of the Gulf Coast Research Laboratory, south of Hwy. 90 on Point Gadet, Biloxi, Open 8-5 Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, 8-1 Saturday. Group Tours may be arranged on any of these days by calling 435-3093. No appointment necessary for individuals.

● **ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH** - The fishermen's church, famous for its unusual architecture, and its stained glass windows.

● **DEER ISLAND** - Less than a half of a mile from Biloxi's busy beach front, this island is undeveloped and practically uninhabited and is accessible by boat only.

● **BILOXI YACHT CLUB AND PIER.**

● **CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER** - 445 East Beach. Tower still standing, to be rebuilt. In front is the legendary "Ring in the Oak."

● **CANNON OF D'IBERVILLE'S SHIPS** - Coast's oldest relics on lawn, Elmer St. and East Beach, U.S. 90.

● **SMALL CRAFT HARBOR** - At the foot of Main Street in Biloxi.

- **SAILFISH**—A narrated hour and a half Biloxi Harbor oystering and shrimping expedition. Leaves from Biloxi Port Commission Pier, 432-7388. 2 trips daily 10 a.m. and 2:30 p.m., April to Labor Day. One trip 2:30 p.m., daily Sept.-Nov.
- **SPANISH HOUSE** — 206 West Water St. Built by a Spanish army captain about 1790.
- **FRENCH HOUSE**—138 Magnolia St. Believed built in 1737. Slate Roof came from France. Now restored and is the Old French House Restaurant.
- **BILOXI'S OLDEST HOTEL** — "Magnolia Hotel" at Croesus & Water Sts. on Biloxi's Central Beach. Erected in 1847 when guests came by steamboat.
- **LIGHTHOUSE**—The Gulf Coast's famous landmark, built in 1848. Painted black when Abraham Lincoln was assassinated. Draped in mourning when John F. Kennedy was assassinated. Hwy. 90.
- **SHRIMP TOUR TRAIN**—50 minute, 10-mile fun ride on unique 64-passenger sightseeing train, over 46 points of interest including Keesler AFB. Leaves from Biloxi Lighthouse. 432-0523.
- **ANCIENT BURIAL GROUNDS** — Under Artist Joe Moran's home at 110½ Porter Ave., just north of Hwy. 90, 13 skeletons uncovered since Hurricane Camille while repairing the foundations of his home.
- **BACK BAY** — Tour the Biloxi Bay area north of Biloxi, where may be seen shrimp boats, boat yards, sea-food canning plants, plus fishing, boating and skiing. Turn north at Porter Avenue at Lighthouse to Bay and turn east.
- **BILOXI'S OLDEST HOUSE**—The old brick house, 410 East Bayview Avenue, on Back Bay.
- **OVERPASSES** — The only two pedestrian overpasses bridging U.S. Highway 90 from the Atlantic Ocean at Jacksonville, Florida, to Van Horn, Texas, are the Buena Vista Hotel overpass and the Sun-N-Sand.
- **OLD FRENCH CEMETERY** — West Beach Hwy. 90—Where graves date back to the 1700's.
- **FATHER RYAN HOME** — 1428 West Beach, Biloxi, a stately palm growing right through front steps. The soldier-poet-priest of the Confederacy once lived here.
- **KEESLER AIR FORCE BASE**—The Electronics Training Center of the Air Force, is a 1,606 acre military installation in the City of Biloxi. Visitors welcome to open house events. Public Information Branch will arrange group tours with sufficient advance notice, 377-3604, or may be seen from Shrimp Tour Train.
- **SEASHORE METHODIST ASSEMBLY** — On the beach of Biloxi's west end is the summer camping and conference grounds of the Methodists of Mississippi.
- **VETERANS ADMINISTRATION CENTER** — Pass Road and Pat Harrison.
- **RIVIERA OF AMERICA TOURS** —2 Hours. Leaves from Fiesta on The Beach. (Across from Sheraton-Biloxi) See historic old Biloxi. Special charter tours for conventions, groups, children; and service between Mississippi Gulf Coast and New Orleans International Airport. 864-7660 or 432-2649.
- **MARINA** — West Beach on Hwy. 90. Broadwater Beach Hotel, Golf Club and Marina. A beautiful \$3.5 million marina. 136 docking slips. Private and charter deep sea fishing boats. 388-3663.
- **BEAUVOIR** — The last home of Jefferson Davis and the Shrine of the Confederacy with Confederate Mu-

seum on the ground floor plus All-Southern Museum, U.S. 90 west. 388-1313.

- **SIX GUN JUNCTION GHOST TOWN AND DEER RANCH** — Both included in one admission. Action shootouts. Glamorous can-can girls in the Red Dog Saloon. At the Deer Ranch hand feed, pet and photograph tame deer. Deer Ranch open all year. Six Gun Junction open June - Labor Day, weekends April, May, September and October. 1 block north of Hwy. 90 at Friendship House on DeBuys Road at L. & N. railroad.

- **KART TRACK** — One block right on Pass Rd. from DeBuys Rd. Lighted for Night Driving.

GULFPORT

- **JEFFERSON DAVIS CAMPUS**

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MISSISSIPPI GULF COAST JUNIOR COLLEGE — 2 miles north of Hwy. 90 at DeBuys and Switzer Rds.

- **HARRISON COUNTY SEAWAY** — The barge and boat channel to eventually connect the Bays of Biloxi and St. Louis and the Intracoastal Waterway, back of the beachfront recreational area. Its initial stages provide waterfront sites for both light and heavy industry north of Gulfport and north of Pass Christian, and at Biloxi's Clay Point district.

- **VETERANS' HOSPITAL** — East Gulfport, Hwy. 90, 1100 beds.

- **AIR NATIONAL GUARD** — Permanent training site for ANG of 10 states every summer is the Gulfport Municipal Airport with runways long enough for Jets.

- **GRASS LAWN** — 720 East Beach. Built in 1836, second oldest house in Gulfport. Renovated by Spanish Trail Heritage Foundation. Now open.

- **SMALL CRAFT HARBOR** — East of 25th Avenue, south side U.S. 90, are charter fishing boats, Ship Island excursion boat, plus private craft of all descriptions. Dock Master, 863-3484.

- **GULFPORT YACHT CLUB.**

- **HARBOR TOUR TRAIN**—25 minute narrated tour of Small Craft Harbor, Deep Seaport and Banana Terminal, and Commercial Harbor of Gulfport, 863-0651.

- **MARINE LIFE AQUADOME** — West side Small Craft Harbor. Six shows a day featuring trained porpoises, seals, skin divers, giant sea turtles and sharks. 863-0651.

- **S.S. HURRICANE CAMILLE** — West Beach Gulfport Hwy. 90 look for tugboat washed up during Hurricane Camille, Aug. 17-18, 1969.

- **INTRACOASTAL WATERWAY**—Between the offshore islands and the mainland runs the Intracoastal Waterway with its huge cargo traffic be-

tween Florida and Texas and from the Mississippi Valley.

NORTH OF GULFPORT

- **FISH HATCHERY — LYMAN, MISS.** — Fish and Wild Life Service. West at sign. Hwy. 49. Visitors welcome. 832-2215.

- **DE SOTO NATIONAL FOREST** — 400,000 acres of beautiful Mississippi pineland just 12 miles north of Gulfport, Hwy. 49. 5 mile long hiking trail east of Hwy. 49 thru forest.

LONG BEACH

- **SMALL CRAFT HARBOR AND FISHING PIER.**

- **GULF PARK CAMPUS, MISSISSIPPI SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY.**

PASS CHRISTIAN

- **BALLYMERE** — Pass Christian's oldest house. Hwy. 90 at 551 East Beach. Built in 1839.

- **MEMORIAL PICNIC PARK** — Available to the Coast's guests on East Scenic Drive.

- **THE SMALL CRAFT HARBOR**—Pleasure crafts and shrimp boats inside. Good fishing from breakwater.

- **PASS CHRISTIAN YACHT CLUB** at Small Craft Harbor.

- **OYSTER REEF**—In oyster season the oyster tongs in skiffs can be seen offshore at work from Hwy. 90.

BAY ST. LOUIS

- **BAY-WAVELAND YACHT CLUB** — North Beach of Bay St. Louis.

- **BEACH DRIVE** — It curves along the sand beach which fronts Bay St. Louis and the adjoining towns of Waveland and Clermont Harbor.

- **WAYSIDE SHRINE OF THE SACRED HEART** — The roadside shrine, U.S. 90, is the only one of its kind in the South.

- **ST. AUGUSTINE'S SEMINARY**—Ulman Ave., where America's first Negro bishop prepared for priesthood. 467-6414.

- **MOVIE LOCATION**—"This Property Is Condemned", 1965 picture starring Natalie Wood, filmed in area around L&N Railroad Station including the old boarding house still standing.

- **FRALINES** — Bay St. Louis is known as the Fraline Capital of the World. (Souvenir Stands U.S. 90.)

- **HANCOCK COUNTY PORT AND HARBOR** on Mulletto Bayou (west of Bay St. Louis) south of Hwy. 90.

- **MOON ROCKET STATIC TEST SITE** — To test the huge Saturn and Nova Moon Rockets made at Michoud in New Orleans, only 35 miles away by water, this \$500 million project includes a 13,000-acre primary test site in Hancock County on Pearl River, surrounded by a 128,000-acre buffer zone. Now to be used for the space shuttle engine tests plus a combination earth-resources facility. For information on tours call 658-2211. NASA's Mississippi Test Facility. Cameras and picture taking permitted.

NEW ORLEANS

- **BOURBON STREET**—Famous for its French Quarter nite life.

- **ROYAL STREET**—Fabulous array of antique shops, art galleries, souvenir shops and restaurants.

- **VIEUX CARRE** — Which means Old Square — The French name for that part of the city below Canal Street known today as the Old French Quarter.

THE MISSISSIPPI COAST'S SEVEN OUTLYING ISLANDS

- **PETIT BOIS ISLAND** — A popular offshore sport fishing spot, also a bird sanctuary.

- **ROUND ISLAND** — Where in the days of sail and steam before Pascagoula was a port, the ships used to anchor to lighten their freight and passengers ashore.

- **HORN ISLAND** — Now a government Wild Life Refuge.

- **THE ISLE OF CAPRICE**—Which disappeared beneath the surface in the Thirties, but still marked by artesian well from which flows a constant stream of cool, clear artesian well water, a drinking fountain for the fishermen at sea.

- **DEER ISLAND** — Nearest of the Coast islands, directly across from Biloxi, whose nearby beach is popular for moonlight picnics.

- **SHIP ISLAND**—Where in December 1814 the British massed the largest amphibious invasion force ever to enter American waters for its attack on New Orleans, and where still stands historic Fort Massachusetts that changed hands 3 times during the Civil War.

- **CAT ISLAND** — Where in 1757 occurred the first mutiny in America and where in 1814 lived Jean Couevas, the Hero of Cat Island, whose refusal to lead the British fleet through the Coast's tricky passes gave General Jackson time to prepare to win the ensuing Battle of New Orleans, one of the most decisive victories in our nation's history.

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APPENDIX I

EMPLOYMENT GOALS FOR PICAYUNE/

PEARL RIVER COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

INDUSTRIAL POTENTIAL PICAYUNE, MISSISSIPPI

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Summary

Because of insufficient employment opportunities in Pearl River County, about one-third of the work force commutes to other counties. Manufacturing employment in the Picayune area increased by only 327 people between 1960 and 1970. The area economy was greatly stimulated in the 1960's by the NASA Mississippi Test Facility in Hancock County, which provided over 6,000 jobs in 1965; but by 1972 employment at MTF has declined to about 1,000 people.

A suggested economic goal for Pearl River County is to develop about 1,000 new manufacturing jobs between 1970 and 1980. This rate of industrial growth, twice that of the previous decade, would be compatible with a 1% annual population growth rate for the city.

Picayune should seek industries with the following characteristics:

1. has a product with high value per unit weight or has a regional market so that freight costs will not be excessive;
2. pays wages competitive with nearby larger population centers so that the prevailing wage structure in Picayune will be attractive;
3. does not require highly skilled labor force;
4. has a high projected growth rate or a recent history of locating in the South, because companies in these industries will be more likely to be seeking southern plant sites;
5. has a typical plant size of 100 to 500 employees, a size range fitting Picayune's needs; and
6. should be moderately dependent on proximity of industrial suppliers and urban services, because Picayune's location near New Orleans gives it an advantage over other small towns for industries which need such services.

Of 45 types of industries identified as having most of these characteristics, and which thus could be the focus of an industrial solicitation program, the industrial controls industry has been selected for a more detailed study.

It is recommended that a small task force be appointed to work with the Mississippi Research and Development Center to develop a detailed plan of action for industrial solicitation.

The plan should include how the city can become more appealing to industrial prospects, how it can improve its image to industrial developers, and how it can efficiently go about soliciting more industrial prospects.

It would be desirable to employ an industrial development specialist, with the eventual goal of having this person supported by at least two counties.

APPENDIX J

EXCERPTS FROM COAST AREA, MISSISSIPPI MONITOR, 11th ED.¹

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TAB B	Gulf Regional Planning Commission
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THE HANCOCK COUNTY PORT AND HARBOR COMMISSION

When the forces of nature molded the crescent of land that borders the northern rim of the Gulf of Mexico, an "opportunity" was shaped that was destined to be utilized by the people of Hancock County, Mississippi in the 20th Century A. D.

As wind, water, and time etched a river, near the point where it emptied into the basin of the Gulf, a high ridge of land was formed. This ridge is now part of the Hancock County Port and Harbor Commission's Port Bienville Industrial Park. During the greatest storm in the nation's history, surging tides pushed by record winds did not succeed in reaching 75% of the site.

This strategically situated waterside development is the largest, and one of the newest, industrial parks in the State of Mississippi. It embraces three modes of transportation: road, rail, and water. Port Bienville Shortline Railroad, owned and operated by the Commission, connects with an L & N mainline. Stennis International Airport, also developed by the port body, is close enough to the industrial park to provide the additional advantage of man's swiftest means of transportation.

The idea that sparked these impressive projects first took shape over a decade ago when a group of farsighted individuals realized the tremendous potential for an industrial park that could be situated to take advantage of the water access to the Intracoastal Waterway and, in time, the possible evolution of a deepwater facility.

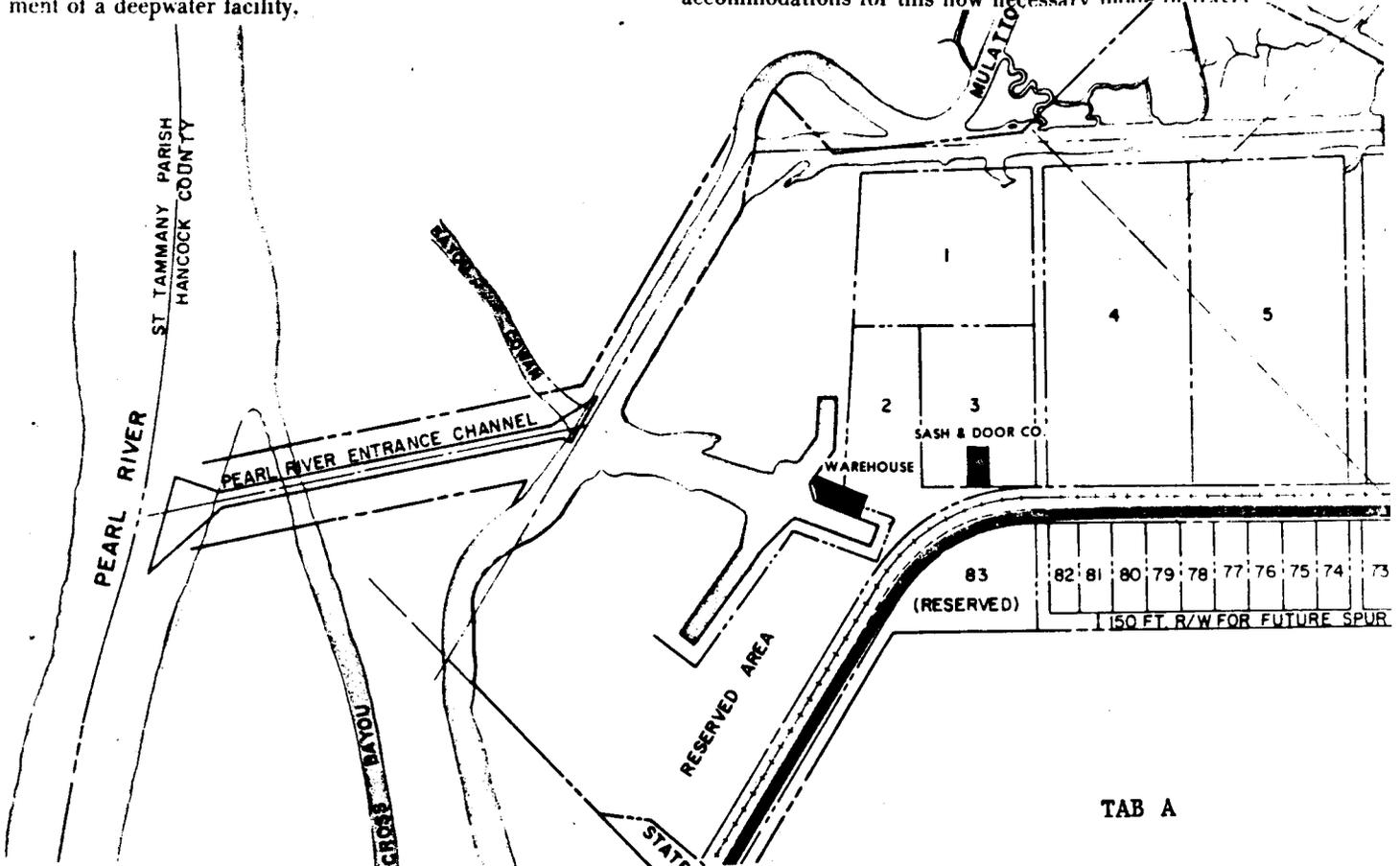
This group, acting in an advisory capacity, paved the way for the formation of the Hancock County Port and Harbor Commission. The Commission, an arm of the Hancock County Board of Supervisors, is composed of one member from each of the five county districts, one from the city of Bay St. Louis, and one from the city of Waveland. After the Commission was formed, the supervisors dedicated ad valorem tax millage to finance operational functions of the group.

In 1963 an engineering and planning firm was engaged to prepare preliminary plans with the waterside industrial site designated as a first phase effort.

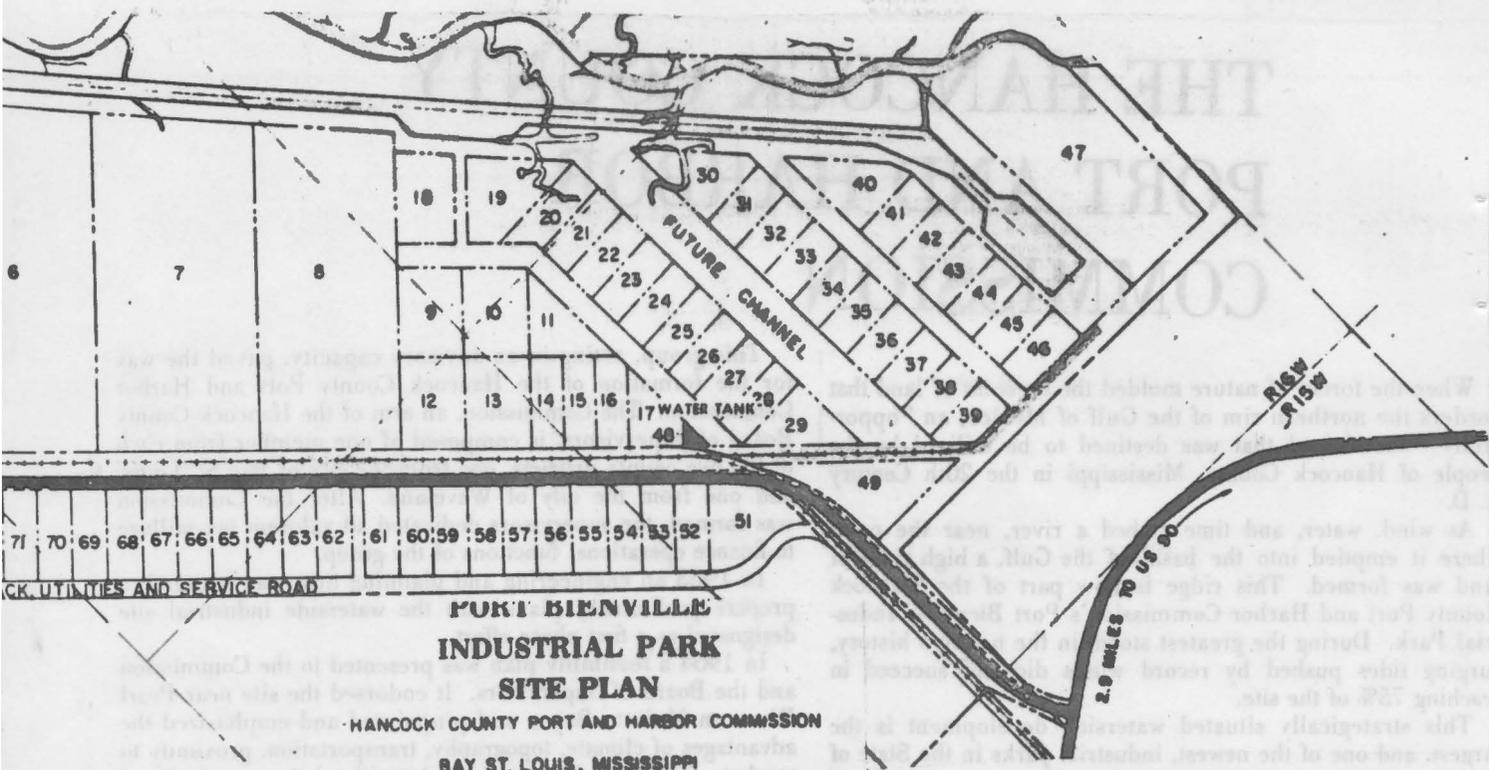
In 1964 a feasibility plan was presented to the Commission and the Board of Supervisors. It endorsed the site near Pearl River on Mulatto Bayou and pinpointed and emphasized the advantages of climate, topography, transportation, proximity to markets, and other factors which determined the superiority of the location.

Inspired by these findings, the Commission ordered preparation of a Master Industrial Development Plan, which was completed in January of 1965. This plan, adopted by both the Commission and the Board of Supervisors, calls for the ultimate development of 11,000 acres at an estimated cost of \$36 million.

Also, in 1965 the Commission was delegated the responsibility of developing an airport for the county in order to meet the needs for private aircraft service and provide industry with accommodations for this now necessary mode of travel.



TAB A



Again the engineering firm was retained to proceed with both preliminary and master plans. Subsequently, a second engineering firm was called in to finalize plans and specifications.

Today, Port Bienville Industrial Park is ready. On 2,200 developed acres, 1,450 acres are divided into industrial sites, with an additional 250 acres reserved for public use facilities. There are 4,400 feet of 16-foot barge channels with 200-foot bottom width, and 20,800 feet of barge channels with 150-foot bottom width. The Port Bienville Shortline Railroad has nine miles of track, including sidings and spurs, and a 45-ton diesel electric locomotive. The site's main access road is 24 feet wide and complies with the state maximum load limit of 73,280 pounds.

The public dock is 403 feet long with two 100-foot wing walls. The bulkhead is sheet steel, and the paved deck is 40 feet wide. A 192' x 100' warehouse provides indoor storage, and there is a 40-acre outdoor storage area all with rail service. A completed sewerage system is ready for occupants' use.

A 10" water well, 2,000 feet deep, can deliver 2,000 g.p.m. and a 250,000 gallon capacity elevated water tower serves to supply potable water and fire protection. Electric power to the site is 46 kilovolts, 35,000 KVA.

The Hancock County Port and Harbor Commission is prepared to help new industries with negotiations for financial assistance from certain federal agencies for special facilities such as industrial waste disposal. Assistance is also available for

Savings in transportation costs can be realized by locating at Port Bienville because of the relatively low cost of water transportation which, per ton or mile, is one-fifth of rail costs and one-twentieth of motor freight. Companies shipping or receiving cargoes involving extra large unit sizes or bulk quantities are served more economically and efficiently. Good examples are modular units for industrial or home construction and bulk minerals in both solid and liquid form. Also, a great future seems to be indicated for LASH barge shipping, already in use in water commerce lanes from European ports.

Stennis International Airport is also complete in its planned first phase. The airport facility, situated on a 600-acre tract, is composed of a 4,500 ft. x 150 ft. runway, runway and apron lights, rotating beacon, Unicom monitored on 122.8 megacycles, hangar, fuel and light service, and a new \$89,800 Administration Building. The administration building contains airline ticket counters, manager's office, conference room, office for U. S. Customs, lobby, dressing rooms, and space for a car rental agency.

A 90-acre area reserved for industry adjoins the field to serve industries needing close proximity to air transportation. A vocational technical school, established to train students in skills required by local industry, is located near the airport's main entrance.

Hancock County, in its central location on the Gulf of Mexico crescent, is a natural hub for commerce to and from Central and South America and all of the North American continent. The Intracoastal Waterway, connecting with the Mississippi Valley Waterways System, links Port Bienville with the industries and markets of the mid-west and the Great Lakes area.

Future plans for Stennis International Airport take into consideration the emerging trade patterns of this hemisphere and the Commission is pursuing innovative approaches for the development of new trade contacts which can be applied to the resources of the county and surrounding areas.

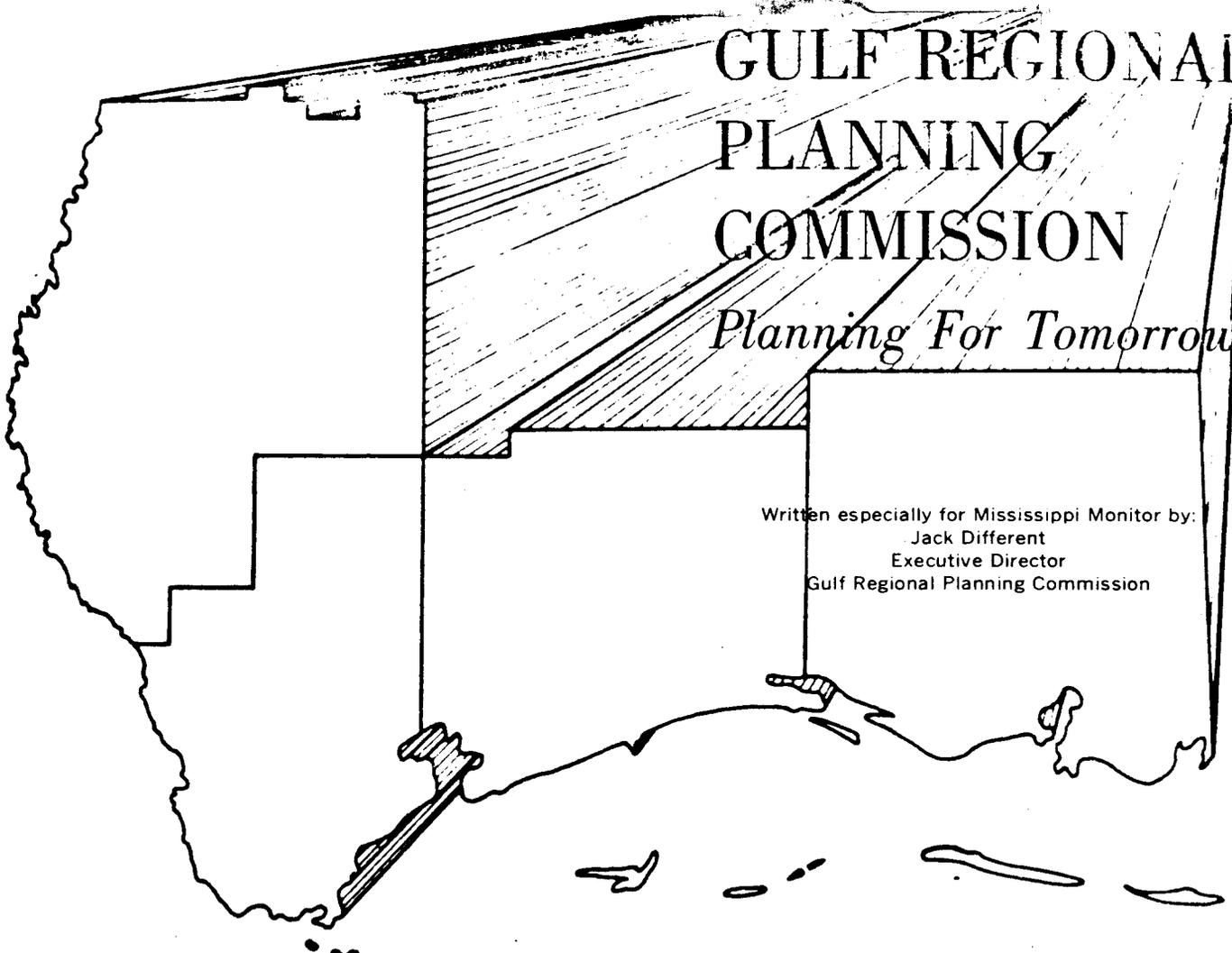
Keenly aware of the potential in foreign trade, the port body, in sponsoring Hancock County's Annual International Trade Seminar, focuses the attention of a select audience in that field to all that the two facilities have to offer.

Expertly planned and expertly directed, the two projects offer unique advantages to those engaged in industry or the many-faceted import/export business and represent a "blue-chip" investment by and for the people of Hancock County.

GULF REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

Planning For Tomorrow

Written especially for Mississippi Monitor by:
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Some readers will recall the popular television personality of several years back who featured a fascinating game: "Here is the answer; now what is the question?"

Gulf Regional Planning Commission, happily, is in a similar situation. After several years devoted to the basic research so essential to a continuing planning program, the Commission now has developed a broad base of information covering many subjects. We are completing a transition from initial plan preparation to continuing plan programs, and the end is not in sight.

We wonder, from time to time, how great an audience we have reached. We also wonder how widespread is an understanding of what the Commission does, is doing, and what lies ahead. Within that context, it would be appropriate to provide some of the answers developed as a result of Commission efforts.

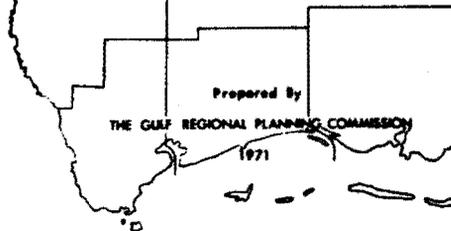
Recognizing that water is an essential ingredient of our lives, let us begin with that area of concern. The Commission has, through the Urban Systems Engineering Demonstration Project, completed an exhaustive survey of existing water supply and distribution systems. Several important facts surfaced during the study: the eastern portion of Jackson County, including Pascagoula and Moss Point, are rapidly nearing a critical stage in water supply. Underground resources are being depleted faster than the aquifers can be recharged, and salt water intrusion is becoming a problem. Industrial growth has placed an additional strain on available water resources. Projected growth, both in population and industry, will inevitably result in increased demands. The answer: additional sources of supply. Preliminary steps have already been taken to construct a reservoir, utilizing for the first time the impoundment

of abundant surface waters. However, neither Jackson County nor either of the two cities can solve the problem alone. The Urban Systems study clearly indicates that a cooperative program is called for, which involves a sharing of the costs of construction of the reservoir and distribution systems, and an equitable allocation of water to meet the needs of the cities and industry.

In the remainder of the planning region, underground water resources appear to be adequate for decades to come, even when projected population and industrial growth are considered. There are problems and inequities in distribution, and greater attention is required to water quality. The Urban Systems study clearly indicates that problems of water supply and distribution, including an important and often overlooked element—fire protection—can only be resolved by a regional approach. A total of six sub-regions is identified, and solutions offered to problems of water supply, storage and distribution. The cost will be considerable, once again pointing to the need for a regional concept.

Even in advance of Federal legislation on water quality control, the Commission was very seriously studying problems of waste water treatment and disposal. Again through the Urban Systems study, the need for collection, treatment and disposal facilities has been identified and solutions offered. A regional approach appears to be the only feasible manner in which to attack present and anticipated problems. The region is fortunate in that it has, to date, escaped critical water quality conditions experienced in other urbanized areas, but time grows short if the quality of waters is to be protected at the present level.

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of Housing And Urban Development Under The Provisions
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Recommendations have been made for establishment of multi-jurisdictional waste collection, treatment and disposal facilities. Instead of a multitude of small, independent systems serving limited geographic areas, six sub-regional systems are recommended. These would serve Bay St. Louis, Waveland and adjacent urbanized areas of Hancock County; Pass Christian, Long Beach and urban areas of western Harrison County; Gulfport, Biloxi and adjacent urbanized areas of eastern Harrison County and the Ocean Springs to Gautier area of western Jackson County; the Pascagoula-Moss Point-Escatawpa-Bayou Casotte complex in eastern Jackson County; and Picayune and Poplarville as separate sub-regions in Pearl River County. This approach, it is felt, will equitably spread costs, permit efficient, professional operation, and make possible implementation of Federal pollution abatement programs which are now a requirement of law.

Continuing with the Urban Systems study results, plans are set forth for management of solid waste on a regional basis—again permitting efficient operation of sanitary land fill sites strategically located and with proper consideration for soil conditions and problems of soil, water and air pollution. Storm drainage problems have also been identified and recommendations made for correction of existing deficiencies. Recommendations are made for effective management of flood plains, which have been identified throughout the region.

Of equal importance to the identification of problems and recommendations for solutions, costs have been projected and a program has been developed for funding and management which, when implemented, will assure maximum participation of Federal agencies and make possible the enhancement and protection of the environment.

It is axiomatic that, in urban America in this second half of the 20th century, transportation systems shape the very pattern of life and certainly of development. Here again, the Commission, in cooperation with the Mississippi State Highway Department and the Federal Highway Administration, has developed a plan for meeting projected highway and street requirements to 1990. Corridors have been identified which, in addition to serving existing areas of development, will open entirely new and significant portions of the region. The Transportation Study recognizes that completion of Interstate 10 will not solve present problems of urban mobility; indeed, new problems can be identified as resulting from the Interstate route. Preliminary cost estimates have been developed, and recommendations are beginning to be incorporated into local plans and programs.

The Commission can point with justifiable pride to another answer: a Future Land Use Plan on a regional scale. Although adjustments will be made from time to time, the Future Land Use Plan is one of the most basic elements of the comprehensive planning program, and provides a general guide for urban growth—and non-growth. Areas are delineated for residential development of varying densities; location of commercial and industrial development; lands having agriculture or woodland production as highest and best uses are identified, problem areas requiring special treatment are indicated, and wetlands which should remain undisturbed are shown. Findings and recommendations of the Future Land Use Plan are reflected in virtually all continuing activities of the Commission and serve as essential input for both regional and local plans.

Earlier efforts to assist in the development of plans, either new or updated, for local jurisdictions have begun to show tangible results. A unique relationship has developed with local jurisdictions wherein the Commission provides staff assistance in resolution of local problems—always within the regional context. Relative uniformity is being attained in zoning and subdivision regulations, and Commission personnel assist directly in development and revisions of local Workable Programs. This latter effort has resulted in certification by the Department of Housing and Urban Development of a Workable Program for Harrison County—another first! Need to know something about housing supply and condition? Gulf Regional Planning Commission has the answers, updated each year and verified by inspection. As a part of this effort, the first Regional Apartment Directory was published in 1971. Response was great enough to require republication twice while a 1972 directory was being compiled. The Department of Housing and Urban Development, at least within the State of Mississippi, is now requiring other planning agencies to undertake similar reporting.

Need some census data? The commission is the official "key person" for the Bureau of Census, and can readily supply information.

Tourism constitutes an important part of the economic life of the planning region, but relatively little reliable data has been developed to determine the true impact on the economy, or the requirements for services resulting from the expansion of tourist facilities. The Commission will shortly have some answers to those questions, having initiated a study of tourism as it affects the entire community. Once again, the Department of Housing and Urban Development assisted in this innovative study. It is not unreasonable to anticipate that the effort can be adapted and used in other areas having similar interests.

Interested in knowing where housing developments are being planned? Dredge and fill operations are proposed? Airport improvements are being considered? These and many other answers are available through the Commission, which serves as the Metropolitan Clearinghouse for Hancock, Harrison, Jackson and Pearl River Counties and all of the municipalities therein. The Commission, as the Clearinghouse, must respond to proposals in a vast array of categories, and include environmental considerations ranging from interference with wetlands which are considered vital to seafood production to the potential blocking of a floodway. Liaison is maintained on a continuing basis with the Mississippi Air and Water Pollution Control Commission with respect to placement of waste treatment facilities and discharge points, as a part of continuing and expanding efforts to achieve maximum pollution abatement and improve the quality of life within the region. Although the Commission does not, in the exercise of Metropolitan Clearinghouse review functions, have the power of veto, a negative finding carries great weight with other units of government, both State and Federal. In recognition of the potential impact of review findings, great care is exercised to arrive at objective and factual evaluations. Sources of technical information outside the normal functions of the Commission are called upon as appropriate, and public hearings are called for when necessary to assure that all aspects of an issue are heard.

If your concern is for recreational development, either present or potential, the Commission is custodian of the Regional Plan for Open Space, Recreation and Environmental Appearance.

Even Federal revenue-sharing falls within Commission concern, for recipients are required to expend the funds rationally and in conformance with acceptable plans and standards—usually developed by the Commission.

At this point, the question might be: what are the limits of the concerns of the Commission? Quite literally, from womb to tomb and beyond! We seek to develop a sense of appreciation for the past, a consciousness of needs and potentials of the present, and to anticipate the future.

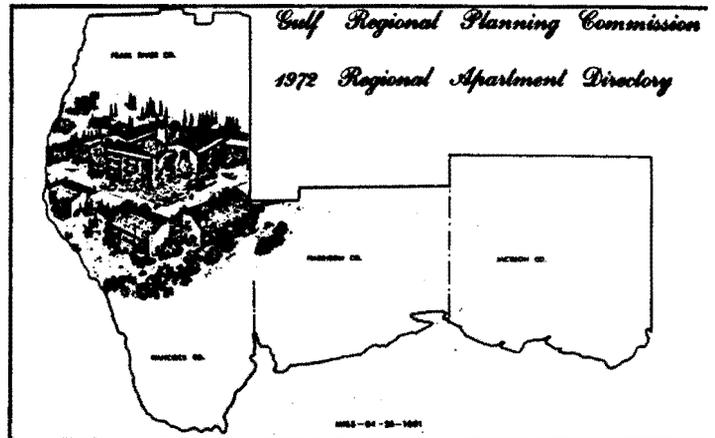
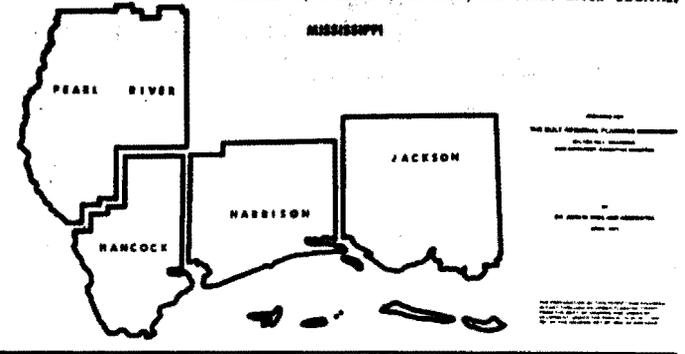
And who makes up the Commission? Members are appointed by the governing bodies of the Counties, and serve without compensation. Regular membership is supplemented by advisory and ex officio members who represent political jurisdictions and participate in all deliberations and decision making. Policies and directives of the Commission are carried out by a staff comprised of varied skills, trained for the work by education and experience.

Gulf Regional Planning Commission is proud of its accomplishments, and claims the distinction of being the first regional comprehensive planning agency in Mississippi. Hard work and persistence have achieved for the Commission a high level of recognition and acceptance. The pressures of growth and change do not, however, permit the Commission to rest on past achievements. Much remains to be done, and a major task still unfinished is the convincing of local governments that the work of the Commission is for them and the benefit of their constituents.

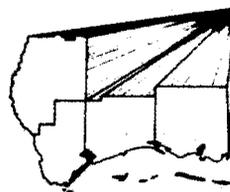
The impact of the Commission has been considerable, and there can be no doubt that its existence and functions have enhanced the attractiveness of the Mississippi Gulf Coastal region. As the region changes, so inevitably will the role of the Commission. Even now, members and staff are attempting to anticipate structural and functional changes which will be required by new legislation at the Federal and State levels. Indications are that the advisory role must be adapted, permitting more direct involvement in execution and implementation of plans. Planning has proven to be a valuable instrument of government and can no more remain static than can the region. We must always seek to have more answers than questions or, at least, rational alternatives to persistent questions.

THE REGIONAL PLAN FOR OPEN SPACES, RECREATION, AND ENVIRONMENTAL APPEARANCE

—HANCOCK, HARRISON, JACKSON, AND PEARL RIVER COUNTIES—



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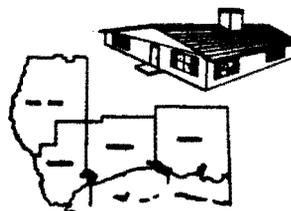
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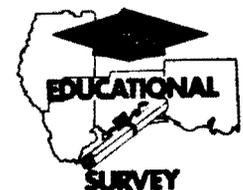
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Gulf Regional Planning Commission



EDUCATIONAL SURVEY

AREA—485 sq. miles; 310,400 acres.

POPULATION—1970 census 17,387.

LOCATION—Boundaries: Pearl River, west Harrison County, east; Pearl River County, north and northeast; Bay St. Louis, southeast; Gulf of Mexico, south.

CLIMATE—Mild; annual averages, 350 frost-free days, temperature 68°, rainfall 62".

GOVERNMENT—County Board of Supervisors, one from each of five beats. County established Dec. 14, 1812.

TAX STRUCTURE—Assessed valuation \$27,023,678, approximately 15% of real value. Tax levy countywide 71.25 mills. Exempt rate 31.75. There is an additional levy of 2¢ per acre for forest protection on all uncultivated acreage. Bonded debt Countywide \$5,077,000; Port and Harbor \$4,185,000.

SCHOOLS—Public 3, enrollment 1,593; parochial 1, enrollment 188.

MEDICAL—Hancock General Hospital, Dunbar Ave., Bay St. Louis; Hancock County Health Center, Dunbar Ave., Bay St. Louis.

UTILITIES—Urban and industrial electricity, Miss. Power Co.; rural electricity, Coast Electric Power Ass'n. Natural gas municipalities, Pearlinton, Kiln, United Gas Co.

HIGHWAYS—U.S. 90 east-west; U.S. 11 western-most tip of county; State 604 (connecting highway) south-southwest; State 603 north-southeast; State 53 east-north; State 43 west merging with 603 south to U.S. 90; State 607 from U.S. 90 to NASA site (and intersection with I-10); Interstate 10 east-west, under construction.

TRANSPORTATION—Mainline of L&N Railroad, Greyhound Bus Lines, Stennis International Airport, nearest scheduled air service at present, Gulfport. Navigable streams, Pearl River, Jourdan River, Bayou Caddy; Port Bienville, 12 ft. depth for shallow draft vessels.

COMMUNICATIONS—Newspapers; weekly, Bay St. Louis, dailies from Gulfport and New Orleans. Radio and telecast from all nearby sending stations.

RECREATION—Sand beach along coastline, small boat launching ramps, commercial boat rentals and launching, fishing camps, hunting, all water sports. Special Events; Annual Fishing Rodeo, Pearlinton; Annual Home and Garden Pilgrimage; Mardi Gras Parade and balls; St. Patrick's Day Parade, Art League Exhibit; Annual International Trade Seminar and Exhibits; Yacht Club Annual Regatta, County Fair. New State Park to be built at Waveland.

TYPES OF INDUSTRY—Plumbingware, kitchen fixtures, component house parts, leather goods, frozen foods, publishing, printing, plastic parts for industry, machine shop, aluminum door frames, candy making, forest products, poultry products, seafood, cattle and dairy, gas wells, construction, location of NASA's MTF.

NATURAL RESOURCES—Pine forests, seafood, natural gas wells, artesian wells, abundant ground and surface water, navigable streams with abundant water flow, gravel deposits, mild climate.

PLANNING—Hancock County Planning Commission studies total development of county and acts as advisors to Board of Supervisors. Blue ribbon Industrial Committee to guide industrial development. Port and Harbor Commission directing development of Port Bienville Industrial Park and Stennis International Airport.

For nearly a decade the high point of interest in Hancock County was the exciting work being done at NASA's Mississippi Test Facility. Then, as the end of lunar explorations loomed into view, the work force at the great site was dispersed and it seemed that the highly sophisticated complex would stand useless, a monument to an historic accomplishment.

An announcement from Washington in April of 1971 proved otherwise, for it made known that MTF would be used by ecological research teams. Since that initial announcement, other statements from the nation's capital have introduced a number of agencies as new occupants.

In addition, the site will be used for testing the NASA shuttle rocket after modifications, now underway, have been completed on the original test stands. Knowledgeable sources suggest that, in time, employment at the site may approach the number employed at the peak of activity some years ago.

The complexity of projects underway at MTF is best told by experts, so a special story is elsewhere in this issue. What does bear saving at this point is, it appears that an opportunity for Hancock County lies in this great technical and scientific center where existing facilities can be converted at relatively reasonable costs to accommodate research aimed at improving the lot of mankind.

The vast buffer zone surrounding the site could be a testing area in the urgent search for solutions to environmental problems. It has been stated that the buffer area is free of "electronic pollution" which interferes with highly sensitive equipment so necessary in the vital research projects. This situation would be jeopardized if television and radio sets were being used in the area. Such environments are rare and the existence of this one could be a deciding factor in the consideration of assigning of new projects to MTF.

Permanently established, this facility will offer employment opportunity to many of Hancock County's youth who are working toward degrees in various sciences and technologies utilized at the site.

Other developments in the county are indicating a forceful economic upswing in the future. The formation of the Hancock County Port and Harbor Commission in 1963 was the beginning of a program of planning and building that has resulted in a strategically located waterside industrial site and an inland airport with an international designation adjoined by an industrial site for air-oriented industries. This, too, is treated in a special article in this publication.

The county's Board of Supervisors also established a County Planning Commission to advise the Board on matters concerning land development and other planning-related matters. This commission works closely with the Gulf Regional Planning Commission. Hancock County is one of the four participating counties in this regional body.

One of the largest land developments in the South is located in the eastern part of Hancock County overlooking the Bay of St. Louis on its northern shore. Diamondhead, named for the Hawaiian landmark because it is situated on the highest land in the area, is a 4,600-acre development that represents a total investment of \$40 million and will ultimately accommodate 15,000 homesites. It was formally opened in July of 1971 with ceremonies held at the magnificent \$2 million clubhouse. At the time of the opening 300 people of the area were employed at the site. By late

summer of 1972, the development contained many miles of paved streets, water and sewer systems, main office building, swimming pools, bathhouse, 18-hole golf course, pro shop and locker room, tennis courts, stables, riding trails, and marina. Twenty homes have been completed and twenty are under construction at this writing. Also completed are 75 one-, two-, and three-bedroom luxury condominium units overlooking the tree-bordered 12th fairway and nearing completion are 60 studio units overlooking a picturesque lake, and 22 two- and three-bedroom units in a setting of graceful live oaks and pear trees. Many more luxury condominium units are scheduled for construction. Also under construction, scheduled for completion by the end of 1972, is an airport for private aircraft with a 3,500 ft. lighted runway. Space has been reserved in the development layout for schools, churches, a shopping center and a medical clinic.

No effort has been spared in creating this handsome new residential community. The structures of the office, clubhouse, and other buildings are of lava stone, massive timbers, and natural wood finish in a Polynesian-influenced design with generous expanses of glass to take advantage of the magnificent views on all sides. Tropical plants, pools, and fountains enhance the landscaping of activity areas. All homeowners in the development are members of the country club and all Diamondhead recreational facilities are reserved for use by members and their guests. Main access to Diamondhead is at an Interstate 10 interchange within the development with New Orleans city limits only 45 minutes from this point.

Another important project underway is the development of a shoreline site known as Jackson Ridge, as a state park. \$162,000 in grant money has been used to acquire portions of this land and an additional 320 acres will be acquired on a 99-year lease. A plan has been designed for a first-class facility for camping, picnics, fishing, boating and other water sports, which will serve not only the local area but attract residents of nearby New Orleans. Funding for the project will probably come from \$3 million that has been earmarked for park development in the coast area.

Each year, Hancock County is host to a large gathering of individuals active in the world of commerce. The event is the annual International Trade Seminar, where leaders in the field exchange knowledge and experience in a one-day information packed session by means of talks, films and exhibits. The 1972 seminar, under the sponsorship of the Hancock County Port and Harbor Commission, U.S. Department of Commerce, Hancock County Board of Supervisors and Gulf Regional Planning Commission will invite attendance from neighboring states as well as statewide and as usual will feature outstanding speakers.

In April 1972, Hancock County became actively involved in the Older American Area Wide Model Project. This project provides activities and needed assistance of various kinds with the help of local volunteers. Later in 1972 a "Meals on Wheels" program was added to deliver a daily balanced hot meal and afternoon snack to homes of elderly persons.

Young people were also benefiting by county involvement in innovative programs. Hancock North Central Elementary School received a special grant of approximately \$200,000 to enable the school to teach at an individual student level and offer modified group work plus individual study assistance and instruction. Outdoor classrooms and a campus nature trail are among the new approaches utilized.

Also in the realm of education, a new Vocational-Technical School is under construction at a cost of \$616,000 with \$200,000 worth of equipment to be installed. Six programs will be offered to juniors and seniors from the two public high schools in the county.

Hancock County is a good place to live. A slogan often used describes it as "the golden opportunity county" and so it seems to be. The amount of new development encompassed in this coastline county with the smallest population seems to indicate a bright future being shaped today.

Historically, it is one of the nation's regions of earliest exploration and settlement, yet for many years its coastline was mainly a resort area for wealthy New Orleanians and the virgin forests inland a source of supply for sawmills who departed when the supply was exhausted.

Today a vibrant new identity is emerging. It is uniquely in the forefront in large scale quality residential development at Diamondhead, uniquely in the spotlight as home of the MTF research center, and uniquely situated with its waterside industrial site and designated international airport so close to the great metropolitan area of New Orleans. All of these factors point the way to a prosperous future for this quiet corner of the Magnolia State.

U. S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

Lower Mississippi River Field Facility.

The newest of the three EPA elements to join the multi-agency effort at the MTF is the Lower Mississippi River Field Facility.

Since a significant part of the municipal sewage problem is the industrial contribution of waste chemicals, the Lower Mississippi Field Facility will collect and analyze water samples taken from industrial and municipal waste outflows in the area.

To assure health standards for municipal water supplies and waters used for recreation and shell-fish growing, the facility also enforces water quality standards used by the State in assessing and improving the water supplies within its boundaries.

National Pesticide Monitoring Laboratory

Over the years several hundred basic chemicals have been created and marketed to control unwanted insects, plants, fungus growth and small animals.

It is now known that some of these compounds are present in the tissues of birds, fish and other wildlife. The National Pesticide Monitoring Laboratory receives materials and matter from all 50 states and analyzes them to detect the levels of pesticide contamination.

The Laboratory also develops new methods for implementing new controls of herbicides, fungicides and insecticides.

Pesticide Regulation Chemistry Laboratory

All insecticides, fungicides and herbicides or similar economic poisons that move in interstate commerce must meet Federal requirements for safety and effectiveness.

Such chemicals cannot be approved for sale unless the maker provides scientific evidence that the product is effective for the purpose intended and will not injure human beings, livestock, crops or wildlife. Labeling must show the types and amounts of ingredients, method of application and precautions to be observed.

The Pesticide Regulation Chemistry Lab analyzes samples from dealer shelves and performs pharmacological tests to insure that safety precautions shown on the label are adequate, and the product does not present an imminent hazard to the public.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Gulf Coast Hydroscience Center—see special story, page 48

EROS Experiments and Evaluation Office

Based on the potential of remote sensing technology, and in response to the critical need for greater knowledge of the Earth and its resources, the Department of Interior established the EROS (Earth Resources Observation Systems) Program to gather and use remotely sensed data collected by satellite and aircraft of natural and manmade features on the Earth's surface.

The Interior Department, through its EROS Program, will be the largest single recipient and user agency of data to be obtained from the ERTS (Earth Resources Technology Satellite). Repetitive information from the satellite (photography of each point on the Earth's surface every 18 days) will be relayed in electronic form, converted to photographic-type images and processed at the EROS Data Center, Sioux Falls, S.D.

In November 1971 the EROS Program established its first field operation at the MTF.

Scientists at the EROS/MTF Office, working primarily with the States of Alabama, Arkansas, Louisiana and Mississippi, will assist officials and users of these data in the establishment of demonstration projects or experiments as an aid in securing solutions for local resources and environmental problems.

Development of training aids and programs concerning remote sensing, earth resources, and environmental education will be undertaken by EROS/MTF officials.

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

To assure the most effective, efficient and economical par-

ticipation by the State of Mississippi in the fields of air, land and water resources, the State of Mississippi Liaison and Coordinating Office was established at the MTF in July 1971.

Serving as liaison between State offices and each Federal agency, the Office assists the local and regional communities in sharing of environmental knowledge and resources; relates benefits to the local university community; and, contributes to the advancement of information management.

MISSISSIPPI STATE UNIVERSITY

The Mississippi State University Research Center at MTF was developed in fulfillment of a common need in environmental research.

The Center serves in a capacity similar to existing agricultural experiment stations wherein senior staff members and graduate students can conduct research aimed at solving environmental problems as they relate to the Central Gulf South area.

Studies are currently underway in the following areas: Prediction of ecological alterations in the environment; development of predictive techniques on estuarine productivity; the application of remote sensing techniques to marshland planning in the Gulf Coast area; waste water surveillance; determination of the fate and effects of oil in the aquatic environment of the Coastal Gulf of Mexico; and, the development and application of electronic data acquisition technology for marine and ecology research.

JACKSON STATE COLLEGE

The newest of academic institutions to join the government-industry team at the MTF is Jackson State College.

The objective of their research is to determine the feasibility of removing dissolved chemicals from photographic waste water by means of aquatic plant filtering systems. Emerged aquatic plants, grown under greenhouse conditions and exposed to aqueous solutions containing various concentrations of chemicals, will be evaluated first.

The second phase of the study will involve testing of aquatic grasses and water hyacinths.

LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY

Louisiana State University has operated a research center at the MTF since January 1969.

Scientists are conducting research to convert wasted cellulose materials, primarily municipal paper waste, to edible protein. Refinement of this process could attribute to less expensive, more efficient protein products.

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

The National Park Service will soon establish one of its major offices here to conduct much-needed research on the environmental impact of man, disease and pollutants on plant and animal life within National parks in the Southeast and Southwest.

GULF UNIVERSITIES RESEARCH CONSORTIUM

A consortium of twenty universities in the five states bordering the Gulf of Mexico, and including the University of Mexico in Mexico City, has established an operations center at the NASA Mississippi Test Facility in support of the development of new techniques and methodologies in Information Management as this relates to Environmental Sciences. As a consequence of this, the GURC facility within MTF has become the communications hub for member universities.

Visiting scientists from these universities are participating in major scientific investigative programs in the Gulf of Mexico and Antarctica and other parts of the world. This results in multi-disciplinary teamwork and serves to stimulate programs of data acquisition and analysis.

Several major offshore scientific investigative programs are being conducted by GURC offshore in the Gulf of Mexico using University Research Vessels. The data, analysis and synthesis, and finally the information management is conducted at MTF.

POPULATION—1970 census 6,752.

LOCATION—Southeast Hancock County, 52 miles east of New Orleans, La. on U.S. 90, 15 miles west of Gulfport, bounded on east by Bay of St. Louis, on south by Gulf of Mexico; on mainline of L&N Railroad.

CLIMATE, COMMUNICATIONS, TRANSPORTATION, see County.

GOVERNMENT—Mayor and 2 Commissioners, Code Charter; Incorporated 1858.

TAX STRUCTURE—Assessed valuation \$10,264,118 city, \$18,723,821 inc. school dist. approximately 30% of real value (on land only). Tax levy 54 mills, Homest. exmp. 39. Bonded debt \$672,000 city, \$1,129,200, School Dist. Util. Revenue \$2,875,000.

SCHOOLS—Public 4, enrollment 2,017; parochial 2, enrollment 445; private 3, enrollment 940. Catholic Seminary 120 members.

POLICE AND FIRE PROTECTION—Police Chief and 7 full-time officers, 12 auxiliary policemen, 2 school patrolwomen, 24 hour patrol, 4 radio equipped patrol cars. Fire Dept., 7 full-time firemen, 26 man volunteer crew, modern equipment including pumper with 750 g.p.m. tank, auxiliary 1,000 g.p.m. tank. Civil Defense Unit with emergency equipment and citizen band radio for emergency and rescue work.

UTILITIES—City-owned water, sewer and natural gas systems. Electricity, see County.

MEDICAL—Location of County hospital and health center; 3 private clinics, 1 nursing home; 7 doctors, 4 dentists; 1 veterinarian.

CHURCHES—Catholic 4, Episcopal, Methodist, Baptist, Presbyterian, Lutheran, God in Christ, 1 each.

RECREATION—Youth Center, Civic Center, 3 baseball parks, 2 football stadiums, tennis courts, sand beach, rip-rap fishing pier, boat launch ramp, 7 parks and playgrounds, bowling, movie theatre, Yacht Club, Little Theatre, Duplicate Bridge Club, golf across Bay.

CULTURAL—City-County Memorial Library, Ulman Ave., Garden Center, Leonard Ave., Little Theatre, Boardman Ave., Civic Center, 3rd St., Art League, Junior Auxiliary, Friends of the Library, Coast Concerts Association.

CIVIC ORGANIZATIONS—Hancock County Chamber of Commerce, Rotary, Jaycees, Altrusa, Garden Club, Masonic Order, Eastern Star, Knights of Columbus and Auxiliary, American Legion and Auxiliary, VFW, Home Demonstration Club, Junior Auxiliary, 4-H Club, Scouts, Parents Club and PTA.

TYPES OF INDUSTRY—Plumbingware, kitchen interiors, construction, printing and publishing.

PLANNING—Bay St. Louis Planning and Zoning Commission works with city officials in studying municipal projects. City working with HUD on program to extend all services to newly annexed area. City Planning Commission guiding development with zoning ordinances and subdivision regulations.

BAY ST. LOUIS

Bordered by a sparkling shoreline crescent of the beautiful Bay of St. Louis and Mississippi Sound and on the west by tree-covered terrain, the city of Bay St. Louis enjoys an environment that is becoming all too rare as we approach the last quarter of the twentieth century.

The picturesque Jourdan River that flows into the Bay at the northern tip of the city has been identified as one of the last of the unpolluted coastal streams. None of the local industries produce pollutants in air or water.

Residents of Bay St. Louis appreciate their surroundings and outdoor sports and gardening are favorite pastimes. Many showplace yards and gardens can be glimpsed while driving through the tree-shaded neighborhoods. The city employs a horticulturist on its staff as Superintendent of Public Grounds and the grounds of the City Hall, as well as other public spots, give evidence of his expert care.

The pace of daily living in this pleasant city is just what each individual chooses. A busy schedule can be maintained by participation in the various social and cultural clubs in the community, or, a very quiet way of living can be enjoyed. Residents are hospitable and friendly but also thoughtful and considerate of those who prefer quiet and seclusion. The pervading spirit of friendliness can be observed in even casual encounters in shopping centers where cheerful greetings are exchanged by passersby as a matter of habit.

A newcomer once remarked that on his first day in town he walked two blocks on Main Street to the bank and at least a dozen smiling "good mornings" convinced him he had found "his town." Whatever the reasons, many people who come on temporary job assignments have elected to stay, captivated by the unusual magnetism of the community.

Bay St. Louis has been a haven for restful living for over a hundred and fifty years for even in its earliest days it was considered a favored summer residence site for wealthy upstate planters and New Orleans residents. Many delightful 19th century homes still remain and add to the picturesque quality of the town.

Twentieth century progress, however, is very much in evidence. Two new shopping centers adjoin U. S. Highway 90 near the urban center. All along this landscaped, 4-lane divided highway new commercial structures are appearing as the business activity center of town shifts in this direction.

A magnificent new Senior High School, completely air-conditioned, has been built by the municipal school system and offers young people excellent college preparatory programs and business-vocational training. The school system, at all levels, utilizes latest teaching methods and programs of student activity.

In addition, there are two parochial schools and two excellent private schools both completing major building programs that have resulted in outstanding facilities. Courses of study at both institutions are of the highest caliber and include various sciences, languages, and the arts.

The high percentage of new homes is readily visible. The long Beach Drive is residential, with the exception of a three-block area at the foot of Main Street and the first lots on either side of U.S. 90. It affords an architectural panorama of the town's history from the Spanish Custom House, built in 1789, Elmwood Manor, fired on during the Civil War, and Victorian cottages, to contemporary multi-level structures with walls of glass.

The Bay of St. Louis is an ever-changing spectacle of beauty, sometimes dotted with billowing sails of craft competing in a regatta, sometimes patterned with whitecaps during a summer squall. A sunrise or moonrise offers an unforgettable picture from the shore. Much community activity relates to this beautiful bay. Cyclists pedal along the bordering drive, for it is not heavily trafficked, children fish or crab along the stepped seawall area or from piers, and many enjoy just sitting on the low concrete border-wall to enjoy the captivating view.

The town is justly proud of its outstanding Little Theatre and audiences are drawn from miles around because of the consistently high quality of local performances. A goodly number of residents are involved in the production, sharing in the fun of scenery and costume preparation as well as performing.

The city playgrounds are alive with activity year-round and tennis courts, baseball diamonds, and playground equipment get steady use. Rebuilding of the city's municipal pier, a facility of much interest to fishermen, is now in the planning stage.

From the Bay St. Louis bridge at the easternmost edge of town, Highway 90 affords an uninterrupted, divided, 4-lane access to the New Orleans metropolitan area as it connects directly into I-10. "Bay" residents can reach the historic city in 45 minutes if they wish to enjoy a Broadway show, opera, concerts, or perhaps participate in the famous New Orleans Mardi Gras.

This easy traffic access has also caused many who are employed in New Orleans to become residents, commuting daily to the Crescent City. More are expected to relocate in the serene and clean environment of Bay St. Louis in the months ahead.

Two industries operate successfully in the town. One is a manufacturer of kitchen interiors, the other a nationally known manufacturer of plumbingware.

In matters related to local land use and development the city's administrators are advised by a planning commission who in turn keep abreast of area developments and planning through contact with the Gulf Regional Planning Commission. In this way residents are assured of the most advantageous development for their city.

The local fire department is one of the most outstanding in the area and the police department provides around-the-clock protection of cruising patrol cars. Water and sewer systems are of recent installation and present plans are to extend these services to annexed areas in the near future.

One of the most noteworthy citizens groups is the Bay St. Louis Cleanup and Beautification Committee. This group of ladies, who enlisted the aid of the City's Superintendent of Public Grounds, established "PRIDE" containers for litter throughout the city, organized cleanup groups, and gave merit certificates to citizens who achieved yard beautification worthy of recognition. Through the efforts of these ladies, the city gained coastwide recognition as well as a Distinguished Achievement Award in the 1971 National Cleanup Contest.

The concern of Bay St. Louis residents to keep their community a happy, healthy, and safe one is visible in many ways, at all times, in this most agreeable city. They have confidence in the future of their community because they are dedicated in their concerted efforts of today.

WAVELAND

POPULATION—1970 census 3,108.

LOCATION—48 miles east of New Orleans, La., on U.S. 90 and Gulf of Mexico. Southern terminus of State 603-43; on mainline of L&N Railroad.

CLIMATE, COMMUNICATIONS, TRANSPORTATION, see County.

GOVERNMENT—Mayor and board of four Aldermen elected at four year intervals, Special Charter.

TAX STRUCTURE—Assessed valuation \$3,927,500, approximately 15% of real value. Tax levy 28 mills. Bonded debt \$82,000. Util. Revenue \$705,000, G.O. Water and Gas Issue \$40,000.

SCHOOLS—Public 1, (B.S.L. Dist.) enrollment 210; parochial 1, enrollment 265.

POLICE AND FIRE PROTECTION—Police Dept.; Town Marshal, 3 deputy policemen, full time, 15 auxiliary policemen, 3 patrol cars with 2-way radio. Fire Dept.; volunteer crew, Chief and 18 men, 2 completely equipped fire trucks. Civil Defense unit, 30 men, truck, citizen band radio, coast-wide monitor radio, 24 hrs.

UTILITIES—City owned water and natural gas systems. Electricity, Miss. Power Co.

MEDICAL—Residents use Hancock General Hospital and doctors, 1 dentist.

CHURCHES—Catholic, Baptist, Methodist, Lutheran.

RECREATION—Municipal Park, public beach, rip-rap fishing pier, Catholic Parish Hall available for activities, skating rink, riding stables; Special Events, Mardi Gras Parade and ball, St. Patrick's Day Parade.

CULTURAL—Art Gallery and School, Ceramics school, Hancock Art League, Little Theatre, Junior Auxiliary, Garden Clubs.

CIVIC ORGANIZATIONS—Hancock County Chamber of Commerce, Waveland Civic Club, Rotary, Jaycees, American Legion, Masonic Order, Knights of Columbus, VFW, 4-H, Home Demonstration, Krewe of Nereids (Mardi Gras organization).

TYPES OF INDUSTRY—Frozen foods, component house parts, aluminum door and window frames, leather products, cement, bakery, tourist accommodations (100 room motel and restaurants).

PLANNING—B. M. Dornblatt and Assoc., Consulting Engineers, have established zoning regulations; starting construction on \$4,000,000 complete sewer system, and extensive beautification program, new shopping center in planning stage.

The city of Waveland's most unique feature is its totally residential beachfront drive. Westernmost of Mississippi's chain of seaside cities, Waveland is the only incorporated city that has preserved its shoreline exclusively for residential use, making it highly attractive for those who are seeking to escape residential situations where commercial ventures have been permitted to intrude.

Waveland's main commercial district is compact and singularly attractive with oaks, pines, and sycamores softly framing the structures housing various business and service establishments. A second business district is taking shape along U.S. Highway 90 which bisects the northern part of the city. Also on this highway, within the Waveland city limits, the largest motel in the county is located. This facility is a 100-room complex of nationally known affiliation.

A handsome new elementary school was recently constructed on a spacious 12-acre site. It is completely air conditioned and contains all of the latest teaching equipment, a library, and a cafeteria. This \$500,000 school plant serves grades one through six.

A new parochial school, nursery through eighth grade, is located on a beachside tract and it, too, is equipped with the latest in furnishings and a well-stocked library of over 3,000 books. A science lab and a reading lab are important parts of the excellent program offered students. The Bay-Waveland School District's Junior High School and Senior High School are located in Bay St. Louis to serve grades seven through twelve. Daily bus service to Pearl River Junior College is offered to those young people who prefer to live at home during their first two years of college.

Construction activity in this residential city has been at an all-time high during the past months and one of the most pleasing and gratifying trends is the design of new residences in the traditional Gulf Coast architectural style that incorporates wide verandas, columns, and shutters. This distinctive type of structure is dear to the hearts of those who trace their families in local history for a generation or more and is enjoyed by all because it preserves a local identity of great charm.

Community spirit is strong and best evidenced in two local groups. The Waveland Civic Association is composed of 200 local businessmen who devote their time to studying community situations that will benefit by their concerted efforts. This group of men also sponsor one of the most colorful annual celebrations, the St. Patrick's Day Parade. Viewers come from miles around to share in a day when "everyone is Irish" and a marvelously colorful parade of floats, marching bands, and horses winds through the city. Participants in the parade toss trinkets to the crowd and shops feature green ice cream, shamrock cookies and green candy. Local and visiting dignitaries salute "Queen Colleen", her maids, and leprechauns from a reviewing stand in front of City Hall. The day holds special significance for young ladies of the community because the queen and her court are all selected on the basis of scholastic achievement.

Guiding the growing community at the governing level are able and conscientious leaders who continually strive to maintain the best possible public services. At present they are working toward realizing a new multi-million dollar sewer system for their town.

The city has a modern fire department and 24-hour police protection. City streets and playgrounds are well-maintained. In the not-too-distant future a state park on the shoreline is to be developed at the western end of the city and will offer an outstanding recreation facility to local and nearby residents.

As the incorporated city of Mississippi's coastline nearest to the metropolis of New Orleans, Waveland has many commuters to that large city who prefer to live in this gardenlike environment so conveniently close. A main thoroughfare leads directly to an I-10 Interchange only 3-1/2 miles from Waveland's city limits. Many retired persons, as well as young families, have taken advantage of the opportunity to live here where most residences are walking or cycling distance from the sand beach playground.

Residents of Waveland show great generosity of spirit as they invite and welcome newcomers to join their happy community.

PICAYUNE

POPULATION—1970 census 10,467.

LOCATION—Extreme southwest Pearl River County on Interstate 59, bisected by U.S. 11 and State 43; on northern perimeter of NASA's MTF buffer zone; 56 miles northeast of New Orleans, 62 miles southwest of Hattiesburg; on mainline of Southern Railway System.

CLIMATE, COMMUNICATIONS, TRANSPORTATION, see County.

GOVERNMENT—Mayor, four Councilmen, City Manager, operating under Code Charter.

TAX STRUCTURE—Assessed valuation city \$18,258,425, including school district \$26,010,175, approximately 35% of real value. Tax levy 42.5 city, sep. dist. rate 29.5. Bonded debt city \$52,000, school district \$913,200; Self-liquidating Rev. Issues. Util. \$2,574,000, Industrial \$710,000.

SCHOOLS—6 public, enrollment 4,375, 1 private school, enrollment 225.

POLICE AND FIRE PROTECTION—Police chief and 16 officers, 5 policewomen, 5 police-women on duty in school months, 3 radio equipped patrol cars. Fire chief and 10 firemen, trained volunteer crew, 2 fire stations, 3 pumpers—750 gal. per min., water pressure maintained at 60 lbs. per sq. in.

UTILITIES—City-owned water, sewer, and natural gas systems; new sewerage treatment plant; recently completed \$2,010,000 expansion and additions to sewerage collection system; electricity, Miss. Power Co. and Coast Electric Power Ass'n.

MEDICAL—Lucius Olen Crosby Memorial Hospital, 100 beds; Health Center; 3 private clinics; new convalescent home; 12 doctors; 5 dentists.

CHURCHES—18, representing Baptist, Catholic, Christian Scientist, Church of God, Episcopal, Lutheran, Methodist, Presbyterian.

RECREATION—Park, playground and pool owned by city and operated by YMCA; New YMCA building; playground with swimming pool; year round recreation program with full-time supervision; Picayune Memorial Stadium, seating capacity 5,000; 18 hole golf course, swimming pool, at Millbrook Golf and Country Club; water sports nearby; 2 motion picture theatres; Little League and Scout groups for youth; bowling lanes. New 5 acre park and playground in Roseland section.

CULTURAL—Margaret Reed Crosby Memorial Library and Cultural Center; Friends of the Library; Picayune Art Guild; concerts and plays at 1,200 seat auditorium at Picayune Memorial High School; Little Theatre group; Annual Art Festival.

CIVIC ORGANIZATIONS—Chamber of Commerce, Rotary, Lions, Masons, Shrine, VFW, American Legion, Kiwanis, Jaycees, Civitan, Civic Woman's Club, Garden Clubs, Scouts, 4-H.

TYPES OF INDUSTRY—Chemicals, paint and varnish, security devices, fireproof safes and filing cabinets, veneers, refrigerated truck bodies, steel fabrication, construction, metal containers, electrical home products, forest products; printing and publishing.

PLANNING—City utilizing planning program for growth as prepared by professional planning advisors. Plans for canal to navigable channel in Pearl River being studied and considered. Greater Picayune Inc. dedicated to procuring new industry for the Picayune area.

The growing city of Picayune is located on the northern border of the buffer zone of NASA's Mississippi Test Facility. The recent conversion of this facility to an important center of environmental research has brought many new families to Picayune during the past months. Their choice may well have been influenced by the economic stability and strong leadership of the community, operating under a mayor-council-city manager form government, one of the first to be established in the state many years ago. The city has flourished under this arrangement and the governing processes have functioned with admirable efficiency and effectiveness, making great strides in all areas of municipal responsibility.

This smooth flow of operations has enabled the city to annex large areas and in relatively short time extend all municipal services to those areas. Thoughtful planning for recreational facilities throughout the city has provided centers and playgrounds accessible to all citizens.

A recent appropriation of \$30,225 in Federal funds for playgrounds will be matched by a like amount from the city to improve lighting on ball fields, rebuild bleachers, construct a swimming pool and rebuild bath-houses.

The city is in the process of overlaying old streets on a pay-as-you-go basis, allocating \$100,000 per year, a sum which covers the cost of surfacing about 8 miles of street. Highway 11 in Picayune is being completely reworked, including drainage.

The value of industry to the city's economic well-being is recognized and the city is guided by a study from the Mississippi Research and Development Center in its efforts to make the local situation as attractive as possible to both interested and established industrialists.

The largest industrial operation in Picayune is a plant manufacturing electric blanket controls and vanity mirrors, where 235 employees produce some three million controls and nearly 200,000 vanity mirrors annually. Another new company manufactures security devices and fireproof safes and filing cabinets.

A long established builder of refrigerated truck bodies has added the production of large movable refrigerated food containers and a unique forest products company handles all types of timber products from wood chips to poles and piling, both buying and selling. This company is geared to produce 12 million board feet of lumber per year and employs 100 individuals. A container plant and a large machine works also operate with success.

Great pride and dedicated effort have made Picayune schools outstanding in the area. Plans are now underway to construct a \$540,000 vocational-technical school which will offer courses in automotive mechanics, building trades, metal trades, secretarial training and drafting.

Cultural opportunities have been developed for the benefit of all ages. Each spring, a Festival of the Arts, embracing all interests of performing and creative talent, involves hundreds of people. Each year symphony orchestras are brought to the community under the sponsorship of the Civic Woman's Club, with special matinees for youngsters.

The Margaret Reed Crosby Memorial Library has a continuous annual program of book reviews, lectures, film and slide shows, art shows, and exhibits of many kinds, all keyed to local interest. This magnificent

library facility offers not only books on loan for public enjoyment, but a collection of art prints and musical recordings which may be borrowed by library members. In a three-month period of 1972 this library circulated 21,780 volumes.

Many forms of entertainment are available. Some appeal to special interests and some are unusual with wide appeal, such as the "Fly In and Air Show" which was held in the spring of 1972 and attracted 4,500 spectators. Summertime finds the Olympic pool at the YMCA alive with activity and fall heralds the football season, drawing throngs to Picayune's Memorial Stadium. October is Gulf South Fair Month at the local fairgrounds.

Small lakes and picnic areas are scattered throughout the surrounding countryside and the new Walkiah Bluff Water Park offers a wooded site on the banks of Pearl River with a pavilion, picnic tables and benches, and a boat launch ramp.

The living environment of Picayune is comfortable with many advantages and conveniences. Several shopping centers are situated around the city and all needed consumer goods and services are readily available. Businessmen cooperate on special events and sales promotion efforts to encourage local shopping.

The Lucius Olen Crosby Memorial Hospital is a superior medical facility that is approved and fully certified for participation in Medicare and Medicaid programs. It recently added a Respiratory Therapy Department, bringing the total number of departments to fourteen. The hospital utilizes Telmed equipment for rapid diagnosis of heart conditions.

Picayune is in a position, both economically and geographically, to grow at an increasing rate. Her leaders, realizing this, are planning with utmost care and deliberation to maintain the quality and stability of their city.

POPLARVILLE

POPULATION—1970 census 2,312.

LOCATION—Slightly north of central Pearl River County on Interstate 59, bisected by U.S. 11 and State 26, northern terminus of State 53; on mainline of Southern Railway System; 23 miles north of Picayune, 39 miles southwest of Hattiesburg; 313 ft. above sea level.

CLIMATE, COMMUNICATIONS, TRANSPORTATION. see County.

GOVERNMENT—Mayor and Board of Aldermen; Code Charter; incorporated March 4, 1886.

TAX STRUCTURE—Assessed valuation \$2,448,810, approximately 20% of real value. Tax levy 20.5 mills. Bonded debt. Self-liquidating Revenue Issue \$712,000.

SCHOOLS—4, under Poplarville Special Municipal School District of County, enrollment 1,875. Location of Pearl River Junior College, enrollment 1,116.

POLICE AND FIRE PROTECTION—County law officers and 2 city police officers provide 24 hour protection. Volunteer fire dept. with trained crew of 14 men; 500 gal. per min. pumper, water pressure 70 lbs. per sq. in.

UTILITIES—City-owned water and sewer systems, 3 water wells, 2-250 GPM, 1-500 GPM; gas and electricity, see County.

MEDICAL—Location of 30 bed County Hospital; County Health Center; 2 doctors, 1 dentist. New convalescent center at hospital.

CHURCHES—8, representing Baptist, Catholic, First United Pentacostal, Methodist, Presbyterian.

RECREATION—Recreation Center with swimming pool, baseball diamond, tennis court, community hall; nearby Pearl River Valley Country Club, nine hole golf course; new, Hillsdale Country Club; hunting in season, fishing in nearby streams; stadium for sports activities at Pearl River Junior College; motion picture theater, semi-annual horse show.

CULTURAL—Pearl River County Library, Poplarville unit.

CIVIC ORGANIZATIONS—North Pearl River County Chamber of Commerce, Jaycees, Rotary, Kiwanis, Lions, American Legion, VFW, Masonic Order, Business and Professional Women's Club, Garden Clubs, 4-H, Scouts.

TYPES OF INDUSTRY—Farm implements manufacturing, garment factory, fertilizer plant, printing and publishing.

PLANNING—The city of Poplarville has adopted a new long range comprehensive plan covering every aspect of development and recommendations for future expansion. City recently completed construction of expansions and enlargement of city water and sewer systems. New city-county airport now under construction.

In the center of Pearl River County, in a region of rolling hills patterned with pastures and forest lands, the city of Poplarville serves as trade center and hub of a fast-growing agricultural area. The county is now recognized as one of the leading livestock producing counties in the state. Poplarville, the county seat, acts as both marketplace and information center for stockmen of the area.

In March of 1972 a Beef Cattle Field Day was held at Pearl River Junior College, which is located in Poplarville, and several hundred cattlemen attended with representation from 40 counties present. An information-packed program on many phases of cattle raising was presented by a team of experts.

In July of 1972 an Area Winter Grazing Conference, held at the County Courthouse, drew record crowds of livestock producers. These meetings are held annually and provide a valuable service to Poplarville area stockmen.

The economic impact of cattle can be evaluated to some degree by activity at the new stockyard just east of Poplarville on Highway 26, where an average of 1200 head per week are sold.

The total agricultural impact on the Poplarville economy is suggested by the county's annual total of \$16,000,000, realized from combined agricultural sources.

The calf winter grazing program is the largest revenue source with last annual figures counting 26,500 head at \$182 each. Beef calves and cull calves are next, totalling over \$3 million with forest products third at \$2.25 million. Dairy products, soybeans, corn, sorghum, silage, hay, vegetable crops, swine, poultry and tung rank in dollar value in the order given.

The Poplarville Research and Extension Center, a south Mississippi branch experiment station of Mississippi State University, is located in the western part of Poplarville near Pearl River Junior College and is the first of its kind to be established in the state.

In this pilot effort, both extension and research personnel work together, with research personnel dedicating themselves to research efforts and extension personnel concentrating on helping with tours and field days and maintaining communications between farmers, cattlemen, and nurserymen and the research team.

Programs included in the work scope of the center are developing, promoting, and conducting educational programs on winter grazing for beef cattle, soybean culture, and commercial culture of ornamental plants. Because of the increasing amount of technical knowledge necessary to agriculture operations, centers such as this one at Poplarville are vital to the state.

Community leaders maintain a balance in the local economy by constant awareness of the requirements of established industry and the necessity to add more industry as the city grows. With growth in mind, the Poplarville-Pearl River County Airport Commission was formed and a tract of land was acquired to construct an airport. The site is on Highway 53, two miles south of the city limits and ideally close to an Interstate 59 interchange.

Poplarville's biggest employer is Movie Star, Inc. with two plants located in the city. The larger plant, located on Highway 11, is the center of operations and houses all cutting, IBM equipment, warehouse, and shipping facilities. During peak production periods, approximately 450 persons are employed in the various departments.

The second plant, a large new structure, is located on Highway 53 in south Poplarville. It is one of the most recent additions to Movie Star's growing number of factories. This plant provides employment for 253 workers, predominantly sewing machine operators. Movie Star, Inc., now has a total of ten factories in Mississippi.



Library at new Poplarville High School.

The city, along with the county, works closely with the Gulf Regional Planning Commission and has adopted a long-range comprehensive plan to guide municipal growth in the coming years.

Recreation advantages in and around Poplarville are many and to increase these advantages for a growing population, 20 acres on the beautiful Pearl River, west of the city, were transferred to the Pearl River Basin Development Commission for use as a Water Park. Construction will begin soon on a boat launch ramp, picnic facilities, a pavilion, and rest rooms.

Poplarville High School has also acquired an additional 16 acres of land and has cleared it in preparation for a new addition to that education center.

The beautiful campus of Pearl River Junior College at Poplarville started in 1908 with one building and today has grown to a splendid complex of modern structures offering excellent courses of study. In the summer of 1972 the college added night classes in environmental science geared for adults in positions of responsibility who have the opportunity to contribute positively in problem situations.

Each year the county fair is held in the autumn and brings scores of participants and hundreds of viewers. In addition to the county fair, the Pearl River County Fair Association sponsors the annual Walking Horse Show at Poplarville each summer. At the twelfth such event in 1972, a crowd of 2,000 people assembled to see over 100 participants displaying the qualities of some of the most beautiful walking horses and pleasure horses in the South. Horses were brought from Illinois, Florida, Louisiana, Tennessee, Alabama, and all over Mississippi to compete in the event. Another Poplarville event brings forth canine "aristocracy" to perform in the Field Trials, a popular showing that is well attended.

Poplarville offers an attractive way of life for families. Young people can live at home through fourteen years of education then continue senior college and graduate work at the University of Southern Mississippi at Hattiesburg, only 45 minutes away via Interstate 59. Business establishments of the town offer all goods and services needed by residents, and friendliness and hospitality are the basic way of life in this genial community which seems to typify the ideal American "home town."

PASS CHRISTIAN

POPULATION—Estimated 4,000.

LOCATION—Western end of Harrison County coastline, on U.S. 90 and mainline of L&N Railroad, 59 miles east of New Orleans, La., 12 miles west of Gulfport.

CLIMATE, COMMUNICATIONS, TRANSPORTATION, see County.

GOVERNMENT—Mayor and five Aldermen; incorporated as a town 1830, as a city Feb. 21, 1838; Code Charter.

TAX STRUCTURE—Assessed valuation \$8,799,140 city, including school district \$17,001,095, approximately 33% of real value. Tax levy 47 mills inside, 29.5 mills school district. Bonded debt \$991,000 city, \$2,200,000 Self-liq. Water & Sewer Rev. Issue; city sales tax 1%.

SCHOOLS—Public 4, enrollment 1,586; parochial 1, enrollment 225, private 1, enrollment 135.

UTILITIES—City-owned water and sewer systems newly installed, electricity and gas, see County.

POLICE AND FIRE PROTECTION—Police chief and 5 officers, 2 police cars; Fire chief and 6 firemen, 750 gal. tanker with 500 gal. pump, 1,250 gal. pumper, utility van, water pressure 60 lbs. per sq. in. with 4 booster pumps for emergencies; volunteer fire crew, chief and 20 men.

MEDICAL—Doctors 4, nursing homes 2, County Health Dept. Clinic.

CHURCHES—9 faiths represented, Baptist, Catholic, Episcopal, Methodist, Goodwill Baptist, First Miss. Baptist.

RECREATION—Park, sand beach, public pier, golf course, tennis courts, yacht club, baseball park, all water sports, movie theater.

CULTURAL—City library, Art League, Art Gallery; residents participate in all art, music, and theater groups on coast.

CIVIC ORGANIZATIONS—Chamber of Commerce, Rotary, Lions, Jaycees, Jaycettes, Women's Civic League, League of Women Voters, Progressive Civic League, VFW, KC and Auxiliary, Scouts, Garden Clubs.

TYPES OF INDUSTRY—Garments, seafood, prestressed concrete, stainless steel kitchen equipment, canning, construction, engineering.

PLANNING—City engaged in planning for future in all aspects of growth. Major thoroughfare plan for next 30 years now under study; active city planning and zoning commission. City now working to acquire matching funds for Water, Sewer, Drainage, and Street Programs, also for Neighborhood Facility.

A new industry, International Container Corporation of Mississippi, has announced its plans to construct a plant which will occupy two sites in the Pass Christian Industrial Park.

The company will manufacture panels of extremely durable surface skins bonded to a Honeycomb core, to be incorporated in various finished products and applications. The first products at the plant will utilize these highly adaptable components in the production of lightweight pallets of superior strength for the shipping industry, and containers for packing fragile items of all sizes such as electronic equipment or computers.

Executives and directors of the corporation are Coast-oriented Mississippians, assisted in their organizational efforts by a nationally recognized sales and management consultant firm.

In its first year the company will employ 75 or 80 workers and indications are that an existing market within Mississippi will provide first outlets for the products.

At the end of the eighteenth century when the Gulf of Mexico coastline was being settled, Christian L'Adnier, a member of one of the early groups of explorers, located a channel from Isle Bourbon, now Cat Island, to the mainland and gave it his name—Pass Christian.

The settlement that developed at the mainland landing adopted the name of the channel and grew into a village over the next century. Its location, as terminus of a water corridor, was probably responsible, for the sea provided both food and a route to passing ships, the only contact with homelands in Europe.

The beauty of the growing village brought many visitors and by ante bellum days of the nineteenth century it had become a favorite resort for wealthy planters and yachtsmen. The South's first yacht club, second in the nation, was founded here in 1849 shortly after the founding of the New York Yacht Club.

City status was established and scores of elegant homes were built along the beachfront under spreading branches of the live oaks that grew almost to the water's edge. As the number of permanent residents grew, the city gained recognition for elegance in its way of living as well as its architecture and has retained the identity to this day.

However, today's Pass Christian is more than a beautiful residential city. On her northern boundary a well-planned industrial park, strategically situated on a deepened bayou, with road and rail access also provided to the site, invites a new kind of occupant to the area. Here one can observe enormous cranes hoisting aloft giant concrete beams. Close-by, a manufacturer of stainless steel kitchen equipment operates a busy plant.

In another part of town, a garment manufacturer is engaged in a successful operation and seafood suppliers at the harbor are an important segment of the local economy.

A handsome new city hall, on the scenic drive overlooking the harbor, was recently constructed at a cost of \$130,000. On the same square, back of City Hall, a new \$115,702 library building is under construction at this writing.

In November of 1971, the new Trinity Episcopal Church was consecrated. The new structure is patterned after the historic building destroyed in hurricane Camille. In February of 1972, the new St. Paul's Catholic Church was dedicated. The original was also lost in the great storm. This church however, is not a duplicate of the original structure, but was constructed after a contemporary design.

Much new construction is in evidence all along the beach drive. A new \$65,000 Yacht Club, rebuilt shopping center, and many other new and refurbished business establishments give the business district of the city a bright new look.

The city's school system has erected a handsome, new \$400,000 gymnasium facility with a unique floor of 3/8 inch tartan, the only gym floor of its kind in Mississippi. The building is 136 ft. wide, 114 ft. long and includes lobby, ticket office, coach's office, lounge, equipment storage room, training room for athletics, first aid room, dressing and shower areas, laundry, public rest rooms and concession areas.

The new \$1 million Coast Episcopal High School in Pass Christian, built to accommodate 300 students, grades 7-12, was readied for the 1972-73 term. The main structure contains 13 classrooms, staff and student lounges, library, and general offices. An athletic field house, baseball diamond, football field and tennis courts complete the complex.

The only known gospel singing school in the country is located in Pass Christian. It offers a four-week course each year that includes harmony, theory, sight reading, ear training, and song writing.

In March 1972, a \$415,800 program of improvements to Pass Christian harbor was approved by the city council. It will consist of bulkheads, additional parking, sewerage pump-out station, renovation of existing boat ramp, two picnic shelters, rest room, picnic and playground equipment, 32 new boat slips with electrical and water connections, electrical connections at 67 existing slips, new dock for 71 skiffs, landscaping, and removal of overhead wires.

In the summer of 1972, the city's fire department completed a pre-plan survey of all commercial and public buildings and will now have floor plan diagrams of all such buildings to consult in case of emergencies. The fire department has also established a system of identification of homes where invalid or semi-invalid persons reside, for rapid rescue in case of fire.

Leisurely living is easy in Pass Christian. The beach is walking distance from most residences since the city stretches along the coastline. The golfer finds an excellent course at the western edge of town and the fisherman can take his choice of fresh or salt water fishing. Beautiful Memorial Park in the center of town provides a shaded play and picnic area to be enjoyed by all ages.

This quiet town is truly a pleasant place to live, work and play, rich in opportunities to choose a way of life or spend leisure time in a manner most agreeable to each individual. The sportsman, photographer, musician, artist, garden lover, amateur actor, can each find outlets of expression through organized groups. Life is relaxed and easy and residents are eager to welcome and include all who elect to come to this most delightful seaside city.

LONG BEACH

POPULATION—1970 census 6,170 city, school district 9,000 estimate.

LOCATION—Southern coastline of Harrison County, on U.S. 90 and mainline of L&N Railroad; 75 miles west of Mobile, Ala., 65 miles east of New Orleans, La. Northeast boundary (perpendicular to U.S. 90) coincides with portion of Gulfport boundary.

CLIMATE, COMMUNICATIONS, TRANSPORTATION, see County.

GOVERNMENT—Mayor and five Aldermen; Code Charter, incorporated August 10, 1905.

TAX STRUCTURE—Assessed valuation city \$20,180,280, including school district \$31,618,350. Tax levy, in 42.5 mills; sch. dist. 30.5 mills. Bonded debt city \$23,000, school district \$1,131,000. Spec. St. Imp. Issue \$81,000; Self-liq. Rev., \$2,136,000, city sales tax 1%.

SCHOOLS—Public 5, enrollment 3,390; parochial 1, enrollment 207; Gulf Park Campus, University of Southern Miss. enrollment 550.

UTILITIES—City-owned water and sewer systems, electricity and gas, see County.

POLICE AND FIRE PROTECTION—Chief and 6 police officers with 4 radio equipped patrol cars. Central fire station with chief and 6 paid firemen plus 25 member volunteer crew. Modern fire fighting equipment, water pressure 40 to 60 lbs. per sq. in.

MEDICAL—Doctors 2, dentists 3, clinics 2.

CHURCHES—9, Baptist, Catholic, Church of God, Methodist, Holiness Pilgrim, Nazarene, Presbyterian, Unitarian-Universalist, Episcopal.

RECREATION—City park, 6 playgrounds, Little League, public pier, fishing jetty, small craft harbor and marina (pleasure craft only), all water sports, supervised summer recreation program.

CULTURAL—New \$140,000 City Library, Garden Center, residents participate in art and theatre groups on coast.

CIVIC ORGANIZATIONS—Chamber of Commerce, Citizens Association for Good Government, Jaycees, Lions, League of Women Voters, Jaycettes, Business and Professional Women's Club, Masons, Moose, Eastern Star, Long Beach Garden Club.

TYPES OF INDUSTRY—Plant nursery, pecan packaging, candy making, tourism, printing and publishing, construction.

PLANNING—Active Planning and Zoning Commission working with professional planners and engineers. New Industrial Park for light industry.

In July of 1972, a long hoped for announcement was made by the Mississippi Board of Trustees on Institutions of Higher Learning—the Long Beach Gulf Park Campus of the University of Southern Mississippi was officially designated a degree granting branch.

For many years, interested Coast citizens have worked to secure such a facility. Their efforts increased when the beautiful campus of Gulf Park College was transferred to the University of Southern Mississippi in February, 1972. The century-old two-year college for young women had been closed after the Spring, 1971 semester ended and Coast residents immediately sought to bring continuing operations in higher education to the site.

At first, only special interest non-credit courses were offered. Now, the degree granting status has been realized and there is no doubt concerning future growth of the facility in view of the rapidly growing area population.

As in other college cities there will be a strong reflection in the economy of Long Beach as new retail and service establishments are added to the local business scene to serve the growing campus.

As Long Beach assumes a position of importance in the educational picture, at the same time the city's leaders are striving to maintain a healthy, balanced economy by encouraging new investment in their community.

A group of citizens have formed the Long Beach Development Corporation to seek new industrial and commercial growth with the initial goal being the acquisition of property for construction of facilities to be leased to small business or industry.

Businessmen in the main business district along Jefferson Davis Ave. have formed a merchants' association to devise and implement programs to promote business in that area.

The Harrison County Development Commission has acquired 490 acres which will be developed as the Long Beach Light Industry Park. Planning on this basis will provide industry with select sites and assure citizens that new industry will not scatter through the city and conflict by locating near established residential situations.

Long Beach is justly proud of its many attractive residential areas and beautiful trees and yards. Some of the Coast's most spectacular live oaks are in the vicinity of the Gulf Park Campus, where one of the most famous of these trees, Friendship Oak, has limbs up to sixty feet long extending from its enormous trunk, and is estimated to be 450 years old. Inland residential neighborhoods are sometimes situated in groves of pecan trees, cedars or magnolias and in many inland live oak groves, trees have reached great size.

Activities and facilities for public use and enjoyment are prominent in planning by civic groups and officials. The city enjoys a handsome new library, well-stocked with material for reading and reference. During National Library Week in October of 1971, it was named outstanding library in Mississippi for library activities.

Many city streets have been recently resurfaced at a cost of \$55,000 and the City Hall was renovated at a cost of \$12,000 to more efficiently serve the people.

There are plans underway for renovation and additions to recreational

LONG BEACH

facilities which will cost \$313,448 and result in further development of harbor facilities, construction of fishing piers, a pavilion and other necessary additions, channel dredging, and construction of roadways and parking areas to serve the beachside site.

Recently, three acres of brush-covered swampy land was reclaimed by the city with assistance from the Navy's Seabees. The land was added to O'Malley Park to accommodate a Dixie League baseball diamond, tennis courts, and playground equipment.

The first Deep Sea Fishing Rodeo to be held in Long Beach, sponsored by the Long Beach Moose Lodge in late summer of 1972, was an instant success and will be an annual event of the Labor Day weekend.

Tourists and visitors have a delightful opportunity to share local waterside pleasures when staying at beautifully appointed Ramada Inn, overlooking the blue Gulf waters and the wide beach. This handsome motel has the appearance of an ante bellum mansion with white columns accented by the foliage of surrounding trees and gardens. Gourmet specialties of the area are offered by the Inn's restaurant to provide a perfect finishing touch to either a Deep South vacation or overnight visit.

In August of 1972, Long Beach became the location of a Children's International Summer Village on the Gulf Park Campus. Delegations from ten countries attended, each delegation consisting of four eleven-year-olds and an adult chaperone. The Village lasted four weeks and included a National Day for each country when customs, games, dances, and traditional costumes of the particular country honored for the day were presented. There was also a Children's International Art Fair where original work by children of many nations was exhibited. This unusual gathering of young people focused attention from many parts of the world on a Mississippi Gulf Coast city.

The choice of CSV was a good one, for the "Friendly City," as Long Beach is often called, has so much to offer as examples of the good American way of life and true Southern hospitality. Recollections of these young people and others who come here to visit will surely inspire others to come in the future and perhaps remain as residents.

PLANNING—Active Planning and Zoning Commission working with professional planners and engineers. See Johnson Park for light industry.

TYPE OF INDUSTRY—Plant industry, power, chemical, electronic, food processing, printing and publishing, construction.

INDUSTRY ORGANIZATION—Chamber of Commerce, Greater Association for Local Government, Greater Long Beach League of Women Voters, Business and Professional Women's Club, Home Owners and Long Beach Garden Club.

CULTURAL—See \$12,000 City Library, Garden Grove, residents participate in art and the arts groups in area.

RECREATION—See page 6 (page 6) for details on the largest public park, fishing pier, beach, ball fields and tennis (planned) courts, all water sports, supervised junior recreation program.

CHURCHES—Episcopal, Catholic, Church of God, Methodist, Baptist, Presbyterian, Lutheran, Pentecostal, Evangelical, Islamic.

MEDICAL—See page 2 (page 2) for details on the Long Beach Medical Center.

POLICE AND FIRE PROTECTION—See page 1 (page 1) for details on the Long Beach Police and Fire Departments.

The city's police department is involved in a pilot project in community relations. A center has been established where youngsters are encouraged to participate in basketball, ping-pong, pool and weekly dances. The center is open from 9 A.M. to 9 P.M. six days a week with college students working as interns, guided by the two police staff members in charge and assisted by parents who volunteer to aid in supervision.

The police department has also been conducting a successful program through its narcotics division. Members of this branch of the department have presented films to school groups and talked to over 7,000 people in 1971 and early '72.

The success of this police department's efforts can be measured by the fact that there has been no increase in juvenile crime in the past year even though population figures have grown.

The city has put forth much effort in providing recreation facilities for all ages through its various centers. The largest and most handsome is the Westside Community Center located in West Side Park on the beach drive. A pavilion and landscaping were recently completed at this site that also boasts tennis courts and playground equipment. The Gulfport Tourist Club, active for over 28 years, meets at this center and invites visitors and winter residents to participate. In addition, a fine fishing pier extends out into the Gulf from the beach that fronts the Center.

The Joseph T. Jones Memorial Park on the water side of beach drive near the pleasure craft harbor and yacht club will soon be enhanced by a magnificent new memorial fountain. A raised plaza 60 x 96 feet will surround the multi-level fountain where 11 geysers and six waterfalls will create beauty in sight and sound to be enjoyed from surrounding benches. New plantings in palm trees and flowers will embellish the grounds.

In addition to Gulfport Memorial Hospital, described in detail in another part of this book, Gulfport now has a new privately owned 124-bed hospital built at a cost of \$2,400,000. Many other new structures have been built throughout the city in the past several months. A handsome new beachfront motel, new shopping centers, a new \$70,000 Little Theatre, a new \$155,840 government office and a new \$127,000 Highway Patrol Center are some that bear mention. A new Mental Health Center costing \$451,140, a new Chamber of Commerce Center costing approximately \$100,000, a new Neighborhood Improvement Program covering an 18-block area and much construction at the Port of Gulfport, will keep the sounds of construction filling the air for many months. Building permits totaled \$15,741,626 in 1971 and will, in all probability, exceed that figure in 1972.

The Port of Gulfport, a state-owned facility, is expanding in size and showing a yearly increase in tonnage moving through the port as well as many new and different cargoes being scheduled for both import and export. In its key location on the southern coastline of the United States and possessing the capabilities to handle special cargoes in addition to general cargo, it promises to become a port of major significance. Adding the effect of this economic asset to all of Gulfport's other advantages affirms predictions of many that Gulfport's future holds only success and prosperity for its citizens.

11th Edition Coast Area Mississippi Monitor

GULFPORT

POPULATION—1970 census 40,791.

LOCATION—Center of Harrison County coastline, on U.S. 90, southern terminus of U.S. 49, on mainline of L&N Railroad, southern terminus of Illinois Central line. 74 miles west of Mobile, Ala., 71 miles east of New Orleans, La., 71 miles south of Hattiesburg, Miss.

CLIMATE, COMMUNICATIONS, TRANSPORTATION, see County.

GOVERNMENT—Mayor and two Commissioners. Code Charter, incorporated 1898.

TAX STRUCTURE—Assessed valuation \$57,551,588; approximately 25% of real value. Tax levy 62 mills. Bonded debt \$4,990,500; self-liquidating revenue \$1,173,000, industrial issues \$217,000, city sales tax 1%.

SCHOOLS—Public 17, enrollment 8,114; parochial 3, enrollment 788; special 1, enrollment 92; private 1, enrollment 170. Jefferson Davis Junior College enrollment 2,125.

UTILITIES—City-owned water and sewer systems, electricity and natural gas, see County.

POLICE AND FIRE PROTECTION—Police Chief and 163 personnel includes 72 officers working three shifts daily, 14 School Patrolwomen, and 74 auxiliary officers; 33 radio patrol cars; new Community Relations Div. operates recreation center, conducts programs in schools. Fire Chief and 77 personnel, 6 fire stations, new fire station under construction, 12 fire trucks, pumpers included, 12,000 ft. of hose; water pressure 50 lbs. per sq. in.

MEDICAL—Gulfport Memorial Hospital; Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat Clinic; Asthma Clinic; Surgical Clinic; doctors 56, dentists 26, several private clinics; County Health Dept.

CHURCHES—55, representing all principal denominations.

RECREATION—15 playgrounds, 2 parks, 8 baseball fields, full-time superintendent of recreation with 10 assistants directing excellent recreation program. Senior Citizens Club, Gulfport Tourist Club, 3 large activity centers, sand beach, extra large public pier; all water sports, charter boats, boat launching ramp, yacht club, golf course, country clubs, bowling, movie theaters. Special events, Mardi Gras parade and balls, Miss America Day and Christmas Parade, Annual Deep Sea Fishing Rodeo.

CULTURAL—New \$840,000 public library, Art Association, Theatre of the Arts, Little Theatre, School of the Arts; Gulf Coast Symphony Orchestra, Gulf Coast Opera Theatre, Inc.

CIVIC ORGANIZATIONS—Chamber of Commerce, Jaycees, American Legion, Lions, Rotary, Civitan, Kiwanis, Jaycettes, Altrusa, VFW and Auxiliary, Women's Club, Red Cross, Scouts, Garden Clubs.

TYPES OF INDUSTRY—Garments, chemicals, pharmaceuticals, steel barges, iron and machine works, building components, food packing and freezing, seafood, aluminum extrusions, printing and publishing, epoxy resins, concrete pipe, glass bottles, wood treating, steel fabricating, cotton compress, metal pipe, construction.

PLANNING—City has adopted Master Plan to guide future growth for development of city over next 20 years covering transportation, utilities, public services and recreation. Continuous program of public improvements in operation. Plans underway to build new recreation center adjacent to Central Elementary School plus 2 new community centers.

Gulfport, the planned city of the Mississippi Gulf Coast, is today planning and building to keep pace with unprecedented growth in residential, business, and industrial areas of the city that foretell a future more prosperous than its founders could have possibly envisioned.

The central location of this seaport city on Mississippi's coastline is only one of the reasons for its success. The deepwater port, direct highway access north, east and west, and leadership qualities exhibited by many of its citizens have all contributed greatly through the years. A natural growth corridor has developed along 4-laned, divided U.S. Highway 49 for both residents and shopping facilities. Industry has seized the opportunity to locate on the Harrison County Industrial Seaway in north Gulfport.

In efforts to best serve this mushrooming metro area, plans for recreation areas, an Urban Renewal Program, airport improvements, traffic flow patterns and the upgrading of water and sewer systems have all been devised and in most instances are in the process of being realized in early phases.

Federal grants totaling \$1,377,200 aided in extensions of the city's water and sewer systems to current control standards of service. A major overall plan consisting of \$12,465,000 in water and sewer improvements is the ultimate goal in an effort to bring the best in service to citizens. The project will result in additional large diameter transmission mains, more fire hydrants, three new supply wells, a new elevated storage tank and a new ground storage reservoir. It is possible the improvement dollar cost could reach \$15 million as the city is determined to do the best possible job in this important responsibility and is being guided by a professional study.

Activity at Gulfport Municipal Airport has steadily increased aided by resurfaced runways, a new lighting system and a recently installed Instrument Landing System. In 1971 a \$444,906 military helicopter repair shop was established at the airport where a large Air National Guard Center is also located. Over 350,000 people per year use this airport and its economic value to the community exceeds \$1.5 million per month. It is one of the coast's largest industries with a payroll of over \$1.2 million annually. The new military maintenance depot will add \$800,000 to that figure. Since the terminal was completed in 1963 air passenger service has increased 32% each year. Eighteen daily flights served some 126,000 passengers in 1971. In March of 1972 a peak of activity was reached for a two-year period when 12,420 flights were recorded. Recently completed plans seek to establish the facility as an International Airport, thereby making Gulfport an international gateway by both sea and air.

The city's Urban Renewal Program work is proceeding at an admirable rate. Soon decorative streetside planting and improved lighting will be installed in the Central business district and already a city square of sub-standard structures has been cleared away for a new parking area. Approved funds for the program from HUD to this date total \$3,321,000 and portions will be used in the downtown area to install storm drainage, widen a major traffic artery, to acquire land for off-street parking and a playground, for demolition or remodeling of structures, and for relocating citizens involved.

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APPENDIX K

DEMOGRAPHIC DATA

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HANCOCK COUNTY CHAMBER of COMMERCE

Highway 90

Bay Saint Louis, Mississippi 39520

Telephone 601-467-9048

DIRECTORS - 1974

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Growth Projection for Hancock County, Mississippi 1970 through 1980

*** 1970 POPULATION**

Hancock County	-----	17,387
Bay St. Louis	-----6752	
Waveland	-----3108	
Outside City Limits	-----7527	

*** 1972 POPULATION**

Hancock County	-----	18,852
Bay St. Louis	-----7360	(9.1%) (19.6% over 1970)
Waveland	-----3933	(26.5%)
Outside City Limits	-----7569	(1%)

*** 1975 POPULATION**

Hancock County	-----	20,785
Bay St. Louis	-----7866	(6.9%) (10.2% over 1972)
Waveland	-----4133	(5%)
Outside City Limits	-----8786	(16%)

NOTE: Add 1,000 to total population upon commitment to Dupont Plant.

*** 1980 POPULATION**

Hancock County	-----	27,104
Bay St. Louis	-----9164	(16.5%) (30.4% over 1975)
Waveland	-----5496	(32.9%)
Outside City Limits	-----12,444	(41.6%)

(see attached sheet for additional notes)

* Based on Birth over Death with migration rate used by the U. S. Bureau of the Census.

ENDING HOSPITALITY AND OFFERING OPPORTUNITIES

Prepared - April 1974

(Additional notes on population growth in Hancock County)

- 1) Mississippi Test Facility - presently employing 1100 - probable growth in near future - growth prediction not possible at this time.
- 2) Hancock County Port & Industrial Park - included in normal growth pattern.
- 3) Diamondhead Development - major area of growth in 1980 projection. 1972 - construction began and lot sales began.

Development in Diamondhead as of April of 1974:

- Condominium occupancy -----	140 families
Note: 3.4 persons per household is	
average in Hancock County	-- 532 people in above.
- Home occupancy -----	60 families
Note: 3.4 persons per household is	
average in Hancock County	204 people in above
Homes under construction -----	12

NOTE: Average persons per household-

U. S. average-----	3.6 persons
State of Miss.-----	3.8 persons
Hancock County-----	3.4 persons

Source of statistics: Gulf Regional Planning Commission

INDUSTRY OF EMPLOYED PERSONS---1970

HANCOCK COUNTY

OCCUPATION OF EMPLOYED PERSONS---1970

HANCOCK COUNTY

TOTAL EMPLOYED, 16 and over	5,525
Agriculture, forestry & fisheries	158
Mining	26
Construction	335
Manufacturing	1,049
Railroads and railway express service	47
Trucking service and warehousing	121
Other transportation	135
Communications	23
Utilities and sanitary services	152
Wholesale trade	156
Food, bakery and dairy stores	154
Eating and drinking places	142
General merchandise retailing	135
Motor vehicle retailing and service stations	144
Other retail trade	146
Banking and credit agencies	93
Insurance, real estate and other finance	92
Business and repair services	85
Private households	183
Other personal services	143
Entertainment and recreation services	56
Hospitals	183
Health services, except hospitals	75
Elementary, secondary schools, colleges (government)	329
Elementary, secondary schools, colleges (private)	145
Other education and kindred activities	77
Welfare, religious & nonprofit membership organizations	75
Legal, engineering & miscellaneous professional services	100
Public administration	77

OCCUPATION OF EMPLOYED PERSONS---1970

HANCOCK COUNTY

TOTAL EMPLOYED, 16 YEARS OLD AND OVER	5,525
Professional, technical, and kindred workers	835
Managers and administrators, except farm	491
Sales workers	259
Clerical and kindred workers	635
Craftsmen, foremen, and kindred workers	1,067
Operatives, except transport	572
Transport equipment operatives	243
Laborers, except farm	527
Ranchers and farm managers	49
Farm laborers and farm foremen	49
Service workers, except private household	669
Private household workers	129

1972

HANCOCK COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Service Bulletin

County Government - Board of Supervisors
Incorporated Cities in Hancock county - Bay St. Louis
Waveland

Total Population for County - 1970 Census, 17,387
Total Population - Bay St. Louis, 6752
Total Population - Waveland, 3108
Total land area of Hancock County - 485 square miles

Altitude - average elevation: 10 to 28 feet above sea level
Climate - average temperature: 68.3 degrees
Rainfall - average annual: 61.42 inches
Average frost free days per year: 278
Water - Chlorine treated deep well water

County Bonded Debt - \$4,685,000.00
County Assessed Valuation - \$27,023,678.00
County Sheriff's Department - has 5 men with 1 station and 3 pieces of motorized equipment.

Churches - 14, representing 7 denominations.

Railroads - Louisville & Nashville Mainline

Bus Lines - 1 - Greyhound

Highways to, or through County - U.S. Highway 90, U.S. 11 West, State 603, 43, 607, 53, and Interstate 10.

Public Libraries - City-County Memorial Library with 1 branch and a Bookmobile making 30 stops throughout the County. The Library has 20,000 volumes.

Residential Electric Meters - 7618

Registered voters in the County - approximately 11,000.

Telephones in service in the County - 8181

Types of Industry in County - Enameled steel construction panels, component house parts, leathered goods, frozen foods, publishing, printing, aluminum door frames, candy making, forest products, poultry products, seafood, cattle, dairies, gas wells, construction, NASA, and Mississippi Test Facility

Schools in County

Bay Senior High (Public - Bay St. Louis Separate School District)

Bay Junior High (Public - Bay St. Louis Separate School District)

North Bay Elementary (Public - Bay St. Louis Separate School District)

Waveland Elementary (Public - Bay St. Louis Separate School District)

Gulfview Elementary; Lakeshore (Public - County School System)

Charles B. Murphy; Pearlinton (Public - County School System)

Hancock North Central High School (Public - County School System)

Hancock North Central Junior High School (Public - County School System)

Hancock North Central Elementary (Public - County School System)

St. Stanislaus College (Private School for Bays, grades 7 through 12)

Our Lady Academy (Private School For Girls; grades 9 & 10, with 11 & 12 for

Our Lady of the Gulf (Parochial Elementary School)

St. Clares (Parochial Elementary School)

St. Rose de Lima (Parochial Elementary School)

Coast Episcopal High School (Private School)

Christ Episcopal School (Private Elementary School)

HANCOCK COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
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COMPLIMENTS OF HANCOCK COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Educational Facilities in Hancock County

OUR LADY ACADEMY - South Beach Boulevard, Bay St. Louis, Mississippi

Our Lady Academy is a fully accredited Catholic school for girls, grades seven through twelve. This school has replaced St. Joseph's Academy, which was destroyed in Hurricane Camille in 1969, and was one of the finest, old established schools on the Mississippi Gulf Coast. Our Lady Academy, at the present time, consists of grades seven through ten, with the Junior added next term, and the Senior the following year.

Classes are geared for a maximum of thirty students per class. Our Lady Academy is co-institutional, using the Resource Center; Language and Science Labs of St. Stanislaus College, which has the most modern facilities available today. Tuition is \$30.00 per month per child; with a registration fee of \$30.00 and a book fee of \$20.00.

Our Lady Academy provides extra curricular clubs, band, languages; also complete lunchroom facilities. This school is situated on the Gulf of Mexico and provides a scenic, quiet atmosphere in which to learn.

OUR LADY OF THE GULF - South Second Street, Bay St. Louis, Mississippi

Our Lady of the Gulf is a fully accredited Catholic grammar school for boys and girls, with Kindergarten through sixth grade. Classes are geared for a maximum of thirty students per class.

Our Lady of the Gulf has a fine enrichment program, offering Music Education, Art, Physical Education and Educational Television in all classes. Programs include football, baseball, etc.. Bus Service is provided. Lunchroom facilities leave nothing to be desired.

Tuition - In Parish Catholics - \$20.00 first child, \$7.00 each additional
Our of Parish Catholics - \$25.00 first child, \$7.00 each additional
Non-Catholic - \$30.00 per child.

Book Fee - \$20.00 per child.

Registration - \$20.00 per child.

Our Lady of the Gulf is a fine school with the future of your child in mind.

COMPLIMENTS OF HANCOCK COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Educational Facilities in Hancock County (continued)

ST. CLARES - South Beach Boulevard, Waveland, Mississippi

St. Clares is a fully accredited Catholic school for boys and girls, with Pre-Kindergarten through sixth grades. Classes are geared for a maximum of thirty students per class. A fine program of learning is available.

Tuition - \$25.00 per month with family rates

ST. ROSE DE LIMA - 311 Necaise Avenue, Bay St. Louis, Mississippi

St. Rose De Lima is a fully accredited Catholic grammar school for boys and girls, with first through eighth grade. Classes are geared for a maximum of thirty-five students per class. St. Rose offers a multi-aged individual learning program consisting of language, art and math. Educational Television and the most modern learning equipment add to the progressive education available.

Tuition - \$20.00 one child - \$25.00 two children - \$30.00 three or more. Complete lunchroom facilities.

St. STANISLAUS COLLEGE (~~see attached brochure~~)

CHRIST EPISCOPAL SCHOOL (~~see attached brochure~~)

COAST EPISCOPAL HIGH SCHOOL (~~see attached brochure~~)

HANCOCK COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

The County schools consist of three fully accredited schools, following the State of Mississippi educational guidelines.

BAY ST. LOUIS SEPERATE SCHOOL DISTRICT PUBLIC SCHOOLS

These schools, serving Bay St. Louis and Waveland, Mississippi provide an advanced curriculum in the fields of math, science and history. These schools provide modern, air-conditioned classrooms and hold an A and AA rating, as well as belonging the the Southern Association of public schools. Two types of educational programs are provided, college preparatory and deversified education, at the higher level.

COMPLIMENTS OF HANCOCK COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

BAY ST. LOUIS, MISSISSIPPI

SERVICE BULLETIN

Form of Government - Mayor & Commissioners.

Location - 52 miles East of New Orleans, approx. 54 miles West of Pascagoula on Hwy.

Local Population - 1970 Census - 6752

Total land area of Bay St. Louis - 5.6 square miles.

Altitude - average elevation - 10 to 28 feet above sea level.

Climate - average temperature - 68.3 degrees; 350 frost free days.

Average annual rainfall - 62 inches.

Bonded Debt - \$5,248,936.00.

Assessed Valuation - \$7,902,201.00 (including general & revenue bonds)

Police Department - 8 men with 1 station and 3 pieces of motorized equipment

Fire Department - 7 full-time men and 13 volunteers, one station and two pieces of motorized equipment. Value of real estate and equipment is \$80,000.00

Highway serving Bay St. Louis - U.S. Highway 90

Bus Lines - 1 - Greyhound

Railroads - 1 - Louisville & Nashville Mainline.

Churches - 9 - Representing 7 denominations

Medical - One hospital, Hancock General Hospital, with 56 bed capacity and full emergency facilities.

Private clinics, as well as Hancock County Health Clinic.

One Nursing Home - Gulfview Haven, located on the beach facing the Gulf of Mexico.

Seven Doctors, 4 dentists, 2 optometrists

1 Podiatrist.

Recreational Facilities - Hard surface basketball courts, tennis courts, Little League Baseball, Minor League Baseball, Men's and ladies softball, Girls Softball, Football Stadiums, eight neighborhood parks, public Beaches, numerous fishing marinas, gymnasium (open to public), Yacht Club (private).

Civic Organizations - Hancock County Chamber of Commerce, Rotary, Jaycees, Garden Club, Junior Auxiliary, American Legion & Auxiliary, Scouts, etc...

Cultural Aspects - City-County Memorial Library, Bay-Waveland Garden Club Annual Pilgrimage, Little Theatre, New Orleans Philharmonic Symphony (annually), Children's Vagabond Marionette's, Mississippi Art Association (lectures and painting displays), Participation Gulf Coast Arts Festival, etc...

Schools - Bay Senior High (Public - separate school district) Enrollment - 400
Bay Junior High (Public - separate school district) Enrollment - 547
North Bay Elementary (Public - separate school district) Enrollment - 600
St. Stanislaus College (Private Bays, grades 7 - 12) Enrollment - 500
Our Lady of the Gulf (Parochial elementary) Enrollment - 251
Our Lady Academy (Private girls, grades 7 - 12) Enrollment - 83
Christ Episcopal (Private co-ed., grades Kindergarten - 6) Enrollment - 140
Coast Episcopal High School (Private co-ed., grades 7 - 12) Enrollment - 110
St. Rose de Lima (Parochial elementary, grades 1 - 8) Enrollment - 127
(for detailed school information, see separate school service bulletin)

MISSISSIPPI POWER COMPANY COMMUNITY SURVEY

BAY ST. LOUIS

County

Hancock

State

Mississippi

Elevation

15 feet



Location (Distance and direction to major cities)

Atlanta	506 mi. (NE)	New Orleans	58 mi. (W)
Birmingham	336 mi. (NE)	Gulfport	18 mi. (E)
Chicago	942 mi. (N)	Mobile	73 mi. (E)
Dallas	550 mi. (W)	Pascagoula	52 mi. (E)

POPULATION		City	County	SMA	City (50 mi. Radius)	Approximate Percentages	
	1960 Census	5,073	14,039	-		White	86
	1970 Census	6,752	17,387	-		Non-white	14
	1975 Estimate	7,500	18,500	170,000		Male	49
	1980 Projection	9,000	21,600	188,000		Female	51

EMPLOYMENT	County Labor Force Summary		Manufacturing Wage Rates		Low	Middle Range	High	
	Manufacturing	220	Skilled		2.65	2.70 - 4.25	5.00	
	Non-manufacturing	4,310	Semi-skilled		2.10	2.25 - 3.50	4.00	
	Construction	630	Unskilled		2.10	2.10 - 2.30	2.50	
	Transp. & Utilities	160	County unemployment rate	6.0 %	Manufacturing workers in unions (estimated)	9 %	Cost of fringe benefits (State average)	25 %
	Trade	490						
	Service & Misc.	1,500						
Government	1,240							

TRANSPORTATION	Rail Lines			
	Louisville & Nashville Railroad			
	Daily service	Passenger service	Reciprocal switching	Daily switching
	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
	Truck Lines	Terminals	Overnight service to New Orleans, Mobile, Memphis, Birmingham	Nearest bulk break point
	7	0		New Orleans
	Air Lines			Nearest Commercial Service
	Southern Airlines and Gulf Coast Aviation			Gulfport 18 mi.
	Airport: Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Extending runway to 8,000 ft.			
	Runway Length 4,500', Paved <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> , Attended <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> , Lighted <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> , I.L.S. <input type="checkbox"/> , Radar <input type="checkbox"/> , Fuel <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
Intercity Bus Lines	Intracity Bus Lines	Waterways		
1	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Barge <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Channel depth 12' Ship <input type="checkbox"/> Channel depth <input type="checkbox"/>		
Highways - Interstate	Highways - U.S.	Highways - State	Distance to Interstate highway	
I-10	90	43, 603, 607	6 miles	

TAXES	Sales and Use Tax		State Income Tax		
	Retail 5%	Industrial None	3% on first \$5,000 in excess of deductions. 4% on remainder.		
	Unemployment Comp. Rate (avg.)		Range of Benefits/week	Workers Comp. Rate (avg.)	Range of Benefits/week
	0.70% on \$4,200 base		\$49 maximum	Varies by class.	\$63 maximum
	Manufacturers Property Taxes				Corporate Franchise Tax
	Area	Rate/\$1000	Assess. Practice	Effective Rate/\$1000 In City	Out City
	City	\$19.30	30 %	\$5.79	-
	School	\$30.50	30 %	\$9.15	-
	County	\$37.25	15 % *	\$5.59	\$5.59
	School	\$30.00	15 % *	-	\$4.50
State	\$ 4.00	15 % *	\$0.60	\$0.60	
Total Effective Rate/\$1000			\$21.13	\$10.69	
Corporate Organization/Qualification Tax					
\$2.50 per \$1,000 of capital invested within the State.					
Corporate Organization/Qualification Tax					
\$25 for first \$5,000-over \$5,000 \$2.00 per \$1,000 to a maximum of \$500.					
Property Tax Exemptions					
Homestead <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Freeport <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>					

GOVERNMENT	Type: <u>Manager</u> <u>Council</u> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <u>Mayor</u> <u>Commission</u> <u>Mayor</u> <u>Aldermen</u> <u>Other</u>					
	Police Force Regular <u>8</u> Part Time <u>8</u>		Fire Department Regular <u>10</u> Volunteer <u>10</u>		Insurance Rating No. <u>7</u> Rating	
	City Bonded Debt (G.O.) \$413,000		City Budget, General Fund - Present Year \$569,621		Last Prior Year \$551,566	
	Primary Sources of Revenue Sales and Ad Valorem Taxes			Annexation Plans None		
	Regulations Affecting Business <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pollution <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> City Zoning <input type="checkbox"/> County Zoning <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Master Plan			Industrial Plans Must be Approved by Mayor and Commissioners		
UTILITIES	Water Source - Stream - Reservoir <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Wells		Total Hardness Tap Water (CaCO ₃) <u>2</u> ppm.			
	System Capacity <u>2.2</u> MMGPD. Peak Demand <u>0.9</u> MMGPD.		Storage Capacity Elevated <u>500,000</u> gal. Ground - gal.		Industrial Rate See Note #1	
	Sewage Treatment Plant - Sewage Lagoons <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Capacity N/A MMGPD.	Area Covered 50% of City	Sewer Use Charge 50% of Water Rate	
	Garbage Pick-up Provided Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		Area Telephone Company South Central Bell Telephone Company			
	Electric Service Mississippi Power Company (Southern Company Affiliate) Rate furnished upon receipt of requirements. Specify expected measured capacity requirements in KW, power factor, and monthly energy consumption in KWH. Power Cost Range (\$ per KWH) <u>1.5 to 2.5</u>					
	Gas Service Municipal System Supplied by Entex, Inc.		Rate See Note #2	BTU/CU. FT. 1,000		
	Alternate Fuel Sources:					
	Fuel		Heating Value BTU/Gal.		No. of Local Sources	
	#2 Fuel Oil		138,000		2	
	#6 Fuel Oil		150,000		2	
Butane		100,000		2		
Propane		90,000		2		
COMMUNITY SERVICES	No. Hotels or Motels <u>6</u>		Total Rooms <u>85</u>	Hospital Beds <u>56</u>	Doctors <u>3</u>	
	Churches Protestant <u>9</u> Catholic <u>3</u> Jewish <u>0</u> Other -			Distance to Regional Shopping Area Local miles		
	Parks and Recreation Areas Municipal <u>5</u> State - Private -		Golf Courses Public - Private <u>1</u>			
	Sports - College Tulane University University of Southern Mississippi			Sports - Professional New Orleans Saints		
	Cultural Attractions Little Theatre, Garden Center, Art League, Coast Concerts Association,					
	Annual Pilgrimage					
	Banks <u>3</u>		No. of Libraries <u>1</u>	Civic Clubs <u>3</u>		
	Total Assets <u>\$251 million</u>		Total Volumes <u>25,000</u>	Total Membership <u>105</u>		
	No. of Newspapers Daily - Weekly <u>2</u>		No. of Radio Stations AM <u>1</u> FM -	No. of TV Stations VHF - UHF - CATV <u>5</u> channels		
	United Way <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no		Percent of Quota Last Three Years Over 100%			
CLIMATE	Avg. Temp. - Degrees F.		Month		Rain in Inches	Unusual Weather
	Coldest month <u>51</u>		Wettest <u>July</u>		Wettest <u>6.8</u>	
	Hottest month <u>82</u>		Driest <u>Oct.</u>		Driest <u>2.3</u>	
	Annual Average <u>68</u>				Total <u>60</u>	
	No. of Days Over 90 Degrees <u>63</u>		No. of Days Between Killing Frosts <u>350</u>		Degree Days Per Year <u>1,674</u>	Snow in Inches <u>Trace</u>

LOCATION SERVICES

Major support and service industries	Distance	Service	No. Employees
All support available in Biloxi-Gulfport or New Orleans			
Local Development Organization(s)		Brochure available	
Hancock Development Corporation	See Note #3	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
Name of Contact(s)			
Mrs. Sylvia McComiskey, Manager Hancock County Chamber of Commerce			
Address			
P. O. Box 289, Bay St. Louis, Mississippi 39520 Telephone: (601) 467-9048			

REMARKS: (Use this space for other information of interest)

Note #1 - Water Rate: First 3,000 gallons @ \$2.64 (Minimum Bill)
 Next 7,000 gallons @ \$0.53 per 1,000 gallons
 Next 20,000 gallons @ \$0.46 per 1,000 gallons
 Next 20,000 gallons @ \$0.40 per 1,000 gallons
 Next 50,000 gallons @ \$0.28 per 1,000 gallons
 All over 100,000 gallons @ \$0.12 per 1,000 gallons

Note #2 - Gas Rate (Schedule No. 2 Large Commercial & Industrial)
 December 1, 1974 Schedule
 First 25 Mcf -- \$55.33 (Minimum)
 Next 25 Mcf - \$ 1.24/Mcf
 Next 150 Mcf - \$ 1.03/Mcf
 All over 200 Mcf - \$ 0.91/Mcf

Note #3 - Mr. W. Wilson Webre, Port Director
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	Prepared by David Williams	Date 1-3-75

Compliments of Hancock County Chamber of Commerce

WAVELAND, MISSISSIPPI

Service Bulletin

Location - 48 miles East of New Orleans, approx. 58 miles West of Pascagoula on Hwy 9

Form of Government - Mayor and Board of Aldermen.

Total Population - 1970 Census - 3108.

Altitude - average elevation, 10 to 28 feet above sea level.

Climate - average temperature - 68.3 degrees, 350 frost free days.

Rainfall - average annual - 61.42 inches.

Bonded Debt - \$122,000.00.

Assessed Valuation - \$4,352,000.00.

Police Department - Town Marshall, 2 Deputy Policemen full-time, 10 Auxiliary Policemen, 2 patrol cars with 2-way radio.

Fire Department - Volunteer, 1 Chief and 20 men, 2 completely equipped fire trucks.

Highway serving Waveland - U. S. Highway 90.

Bus Lines - 1 - Greyhound.

Railroads - Louisville & Nashville Mainline.

* Churches - 3 representing 3 denominations (Bay St. Louis offers additional)

Medical - Hancock General Hospital, with 56 bed capacity and full emergency facilities located in Bay St. Louis, serves the Waveland area.

Private Clinics, as well as Hancock County Health Clinic serve Waveland.

Nursing Home - Gulf View Haven on the beach facing the Gulf of Mexico serves Waveland.

1 Veterinarian serving Waveland.

Recreational Facilities - Municipal Park, public beach, rip-rap fishing pier, Catholic Parish Hall available for activities, skating rink, Mardi Gras Parade and ball, St. Patrick's Day Parade. Availability of hard surface basketball courts, tennis courts, Little League Baseball, Minor League Baseball, Girls Softball, Basketball, Football Stadiums, Yacht Club (private) numerous fishing marinas.

Civic Organizations - Hancock County Chamber of Commerce, Waveland Civic Association, Rotary Club, Jaycees, American Legion, Masonic Order, Scouts, Junior Auxiliary, and many more.

Cultural Aspects - City-County Library, Bay-Waveland Garden Club Annual Pilgrimage, Little Theatre, etc..

Schools - Waveland Elementary (Public - separate school district) Enrollment - 325

St. Clares - (Parochial elementary, grades Pre-Kindergarten - 6) - 285

(Availability of all Bay St. Louis Schools, both public and private - see separate Hancock County School service bulletin.)

MISSISSIPPI POWER COMPANY COMMUNITY SURVEY

WAVELAND

County

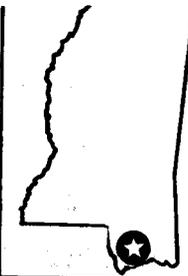
Hancock

State

Mississippi

Elevation

15 feet



Location (Distance and direction to major cities)

Atlanta	506 mi. (NE)	New Orleans	58 mi. (W)
Birmingham	336 mi. (NE)	Gulfport	18 mi. (E)
Chicago	942 mi. (N)	Mobile	73 mi. (E)
Dallas	550 mi. (W)	Pascagoula	52 mi. (E)

POPULATION		City	County	SMA	City (50 mi. Radius)	Approximate Percentages	
	1960 Census	1,106	14,039	-		White	86
	1970 Census	3,108	17,387	-		Non-white	14
	1974 Estimate	3,270	18,500	170,000		Male	49
	1980 Projection	-	21,600	188,000		Female	51

EMPLOYMENT	County Labor Force Summary		Manufacturing Wage Rates		Low	Middle Range	High	
	Manufacturing	190	Skilled		2.35	2.50 - 4.00	4.60	
	Non-manufacturing	4,180	Semi-skilled		1.60	2.25 - 3.50	4.00	
	Construction	510	Unskilled		1.60	1.80 - 2.20	2.50	
	Transp. & Utilities	160	County unemployment rate	5.3%	Manufacturing workers in unions (estimated)	32%	Cost of fringe benefits (State average)	25%
	Trade	510						
	Service & Misc.	1,540						
Government	1,190							

TRANSPORTATION	Rail Lines			
	Louisville & Nashville Railroad			
	Daily service	Passenger service	Reciprocal switching	Daily switching
	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
	Truck Lines	Terminals	Overnight service to	Nearest bulk break point
	7	0	New Orleans, Mobile, Memphis, Birmingham	New Orleans
	Air Lines	Southern Airlines and Gulf Coast Aviation		Nearest Commercial Service
Airport: Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No			Gulfport 18 mi.	
Runway length 4,500'	Paved <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Attended <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Lighted <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
I.L.S. -	Radar -	Fuel <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Intercity Bus Lines	Intracity Bus Lines	Waterways		
1	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Barge <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Channel depth 12'	
Ship -	Channel depth -			
Highways - Interstate	Highways - U.S.	Highways - State	Distance to Interstate highway	
I-10	90	43, 603, 607	6 miles	

TAXES	Sales and Use Tax		State Income Tax				
	Retail 5%	Industrial None	3% on first \$5,000 in excess of deductions, 4% on remainder.				
	Unemployment Comp. Rate (avg.)	Range of Benefits/week	Workers Comp. Rate (avg.)	Range of Benefits/week			
	0.70% on \$4,200 base	\$49 maximum	Varies by class.	\$63 maximum			
	Manufacturers Property Taxes					Corporate Franchise Tax	
	Area	Rate/\$1000	Assess. Practice	Effective Rate/\$1000		\$2.50 per \$1,000 of capital invested within the State.	
				In City	Out City		
	City	\$28.00	15 %	\$4.20	-		
	School	\$31.00	15 %	\$4.65	-		
	County	\$37.55	15 **	\$5.63	\$5.63		
School	\$30.00	15 **	-	\$4.50	Corporate Organisation/Qualification Tax		
State	\$ 4.00	15 **	\$0.60	\$0.60			\$25 for first \$5,000-over \$5,000 \$2.00 per \$1,000 to a maximum of \$500.
Total Effective Rate/\$1000					\$15.08	\$10.73	Property Tax Exemptions
					Homestead <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Industrial <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Freeport <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

GOVERNMENT	Type: <u>Manager Council</u> <u>Mayor Commission</u> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <u>Mayor Aldermen</u> <u>Other</u>															
	Police Force Regular <u>4</u> Part Time <u>20</u> Fire Department Regular <u>0</u> Volunteer <u>15</u> Insurance Rating No. <u>VIII</u> Rating															
	City Bonded Debt (G.O.) <u>\$100,000</u> City Budget, General Fund - Present Year <u>\$243,539</u> Last Prior Year <u>\$241,249</u>															
	Primary Sources of Revenue Sales and Ad Valorem Taxes Annexation Plans None															
UTILITIES	Regulations Affecting Business <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pollution <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> City Zoning <u>-</u> County Zoning <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Master Plan Industrial Plans Must be Approved by Mayor and Board of Aldermen															
	Water Source <u>-</u> Stream <u>-</u> Reservoir <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Wells Total Hardness Tap Water (CaCO ₃) Not Available															
	System Capacity Not Available Storage Capacity Elevated <u>55,000</u> gal. Industrial Rate Not Available Peak Demand Not Available Ground <u>-</u> gal. \$4.95 for first 5,000 gallons \$0.50/1,000 gallons for next 5,000 gallons \$0.30/1,000 gallons for all over 10,000 gallons															
	Sewage Treatment Plant <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Capacity <u>0.563</u> MMGPD. Area Covered <u>City</u> Sewer Use Charge City Sewer Scheduled Completion For Early 1975 Not Available At Present Time.															
	Garbage Pick-up Provided <u>Yes</u> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <u>No</u> Area Telephone Company South Central Bell Telephone Company															
	Electric Service Mississippi Power Company (Southern Company Affiliate) Rate furnished upon receipt of requirements. Specify expected measured capacity requirements in KW, power factor, and monthly energy consumption in KWH. Power Cost Range (\$ per KWH) <u>1.0 to 2.5</u>															
	Gas Service Municipal System Rate <u>See Note #1</u> BTU/CU. FT. <u>1,000</u> Supplied by United Gas Co.															
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#6 Fuel Oil	150,000	2														
Butane	100,000	2														
Propane	90,000	2														
COMMUNITY SERVICES	No. Hotels or Motels <u>2</u> Total Rooms <u>110</u> Hospital Beds <u>0</u> Doctors <u>1</u>															
	Churches Protestant <u>1</u> Catholic <u>1</u> Jewish <u>-</u> Other <u>-</u> Distance to Regional Shopping Area <u>3</u> miles Bay St. Louis															
	Parks and Recreation Areas Municipal <u>1</u> State <u>1</u> Private <u>-</u> Golf Courses Public <u>-</u> Private <u>1</u>															
	Sports - College Tulane University Sports - Professional University of Southern Mississippi New Orleans Saints															
	Cultural Attractions Annual Pilgrimage															
	Banks <u>1</u> No. of Libraries <u>1</u> Civic Clubs <u>3</u> Total Assets <u>\$26.3 million</u> Total Volumes <u>4,000</u> Total Membership <u>50</u>															
	No. of Newspapers Daily <u>-</u> Weekly <u>1</u> No. of Radio Stations AM <u>-</u> FM <u>-</u> No. of TV Stations VHF <u>-</u> UHF <u>-</u> CATV <u>-</u>															
	United Fund <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes <u>-</u> no Percent of Quota Last Three Years 100%, 105%, 108%															
	CLIMATE	Avg. Temp.-Degrees F. Month Rain in Inches Unusual Weather														
		Coldest month <u>51</u> Wettest <u>Jul.</u> Wettest <u>6.8</u>														
Hottest month <u>82</u> Driest <u>Oct.</u> Driest <u>2.3</u> Tropical Disturbances in Gulf of Mexico																
Annual Average <u>68</u> Total <u>60</u>																
No. of Days Over 90 Degrees <u>63</u> No. of Days Between Killing Frosts <u>350</u> Degree Days Per Year <u>1,674</u> Snow in Inches <u>Trace</u>																

	MAJOR SUPPORT AND SERVICES UTILIZED	ESTIMATE	DATE	NO. EMPLOYEES
LOCATION SERVICES	All support available in Biloxi-Gulfport or New Orleans			
Local Development Organization(s)		See Note #2		Brochure available Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
Hancock Development Corporation				
Name of Contact(s)		Mrs. Sylvia McComiskey, Manager Hancock County Chamber of Commerce		
Address		P. O. Box 289, Bay St. Louis, Mississippi 39520 Telephone: (601) 467-9048		

REMARKS: (Use this space for other information of interest)

Note #1 - Rate furnished upon receipt of requirements. Specify peak hour demand in Mcf, peak day demand in Mcf, monthly usage in Mcf and delivery pressure in Psi.

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	Prepared by	Date
	David Williams	3-25-74

MISSISSIPPI POWER COMPANY COMMUNITY SURVEY

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Location (Distance and direction to major cities)

Atlanta 480 mi. (NE) Hattiesburg 67 mi. (N)
 Birmingham 320 mi. (NE) New Orleans 54 mi. (S)
 Chicago 910 mi. (N)
 Dallas 547 mi. (W)

County

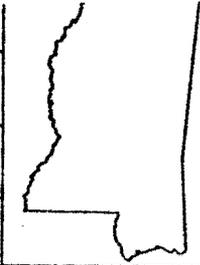
Pearl River

State

Mississippi

Elevation

50 feet



POPULATION		City	County	SMA	City (50 mi. Radius)	Approximate Percentages	
	1960 Census	7,834	22,411			White	66
	1970 Census	10,467	27,802			Non-white	34
	1975 Estimate	-	28,400			Male	49
	1980 Projection	-	33,500			Female	51

EMPLOYMENT	County Labor Force Summary		Manufacturing Wage Rates		Low	Middle Range	High	
	Manufacturing	2,060	Skilled		2.35	2.50 - 3.75	5.00	
	Non-manufacturing	3,360	Semi-skilled		2.10	2.25 - 3.50	4.00	
	Construction	90	Unskilled		2.10	2.10 - 2.40	2.75	
	Transp. & Utilities	100	County unemployment rate	4.1 %	Manufacturing workers in unions (estimated)	7 %	Cost of fringe benefits (State average)	25 %
	Trade	1,110						
	Service & Misc.	640						
Government	1,240							

TRANSPORTATION	Rail Lines			
	Southern Railroad & Pearl River Valley Railroad			
	Daily service	Passenger service	Reciprocal switching	Daily switching
	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
	Truck Lines	Terminals	Overnight service to	Hattiesburg, Gulfport, Mobile, New Orleans, Jackson
	6	1		Nearest bulk break point New Orleans
	Air Lines			Nearest Commercial Service
Delta, Eastern, Souther, Pan American Airlines			New Orleans 54 mi.	
Airport: Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No				
Runway length 4,000, Paved <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> , Attended <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> , Lighted <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> , I.L.S. -, Radar -, Fuel <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>				
Intercity Bus Lines	Intracity Bus Lines	Waterways		
1	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Barge - Channel depth -	Ship - Channel depth -	
Highways - Interstate	Highways - U.S.	Highways - State	Distance to Interstate highway	
I-10 & I-10	11	43, 602	I-59 - 1 mile I-10 - 15 miles	

TAXES	Sales and Use Tax		State Income Tax	
	Retail 5%	Industrial None	3% on first \$5,000 in excess of deductions. 4% on remainder.	
	Unemployment Comp. Rate (avg.)	Range of Benefits/week	Workers Comp. Rate (avg.)	Range of Benefits/week
	0.90% on \$4,200 base	\$60 maximum	Varies by class.	\$63 maximum
	Manufacturers Property Taxes			Corporate Franchise Tax
	Area	Rate/\$1000	Assess. Practice	Effective Rate/\$1000 In City Out City
	City	\$10.25	40 %	\$4.10 -
	School	\$29.75	40 %	\$15.90 -
	County	\$32.75	15 %	\$4.91 \$4.91
	School	\$38.00	15 %	- \$5.70
State	\$4.00	15 %	\$0.60 \$0.60	
Total Effective Rate/\$1000				\$25.51 \$11.21
Corporate Organization/Qualification Tax				\$2.50 per \$1,000 of capital invested within the State.
Property Tax Exemptions				\$25 for first \$5,000 - over \$5,000 \$2.00 per \$1,000 to a maximum of \$500.
Homestead <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Freeport <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>				

GOVERNMENT	Type: <u>X</u> Council <u> </u> Commission <u> </u> Aldermen <u> </u> Other			
	Police Force Regular <u>18</u> Part Time <u>7</u>		Fire Department Regular <u>14</u> Volunteer <u>4</u>	
	Insurance Rating No. <u>7</u> Rating			
	City Bonded Debt (G.O.) <u>\$16,000</u>		City Budget, General Fund - Present Year <u>\$843,000</u>	
		Last Prior Year <u>\$756,000</u>		
Primary Sources of Revenue <u>Municipal Utilities, Sales and Ad Valorem Taxes</u>		Annexation Plans <u>None</u>		
Regulations Affecting Business <u>X</u> Pollution <u>X</u> City Zoning - <u>County</u> Zoning <u>X</u> Master Plan		Industrial Plans Must be Approved by <u>Building Inspector</u>		
Water Source <u>-</u> Stream <u>-</u> Reservoir <u>X</u> Wells		Total Hardness Tap Water (CaCO ₃) <u>0</u> ppm.		
System Capacity <u>4.6</u> MMGPD.	Storage Capacity Elevated <u>350,000</u> gal.	Industrial Rate <u>\$16.00</u> for first 50,000 gallons decreasing to <u>\$.15/1,000</u> for all over 1,000,000 gallons.		
Peak Demand <u>1.3</u> MMGPD.	Ground <u>-</u> gal.			
Sewage Treatment Plant <u>X</u>	Capacity <u>2.5</u> MMGPD.	Area Covered <u>City</u>	Sewer Use Charge <u>Industrial - Negotiable</u>	
Sewage Lagoons <u> </u>	Area Telephone Company <u>South Central Bell Telephone Company</u>			
Garbage Pick-up Provided Yes <u>X</u> No <u> </u>				
Electric Service <u>Mississippi Power Company (Southern Company Affiliate)</u>	Rate furnished upon receipt of requirements. Specify expected measured capacity requirements in KW, and monthly energy consumption in KWH.			
Power Cost Range (\$ per KWH) <u>1.5 to 2.5</u>				
Gas Service <u>Municipal System</u>	Rate <u>See Note #1</u>	BTU/CU. FT. <u>1,000</u>		
Supplied by <u>United Gas Co.</u>				
Alternate Fuel Sources:				
<u>Fuel</u>	<u>Heating Value</u> BTU/Gal.	<u>No. of Local</u> <u>Sources</u>		
<u>#2 Fuel Oil</u>	<u>138,000</u>	<u>6</u>		
<u>#6 Fuel Oil</u>	<u>150,000</u>	<u>6</u>		
<u>Butane</u>	<u>100,000</u>	<u>4</u>		
<u>Propane</u>	<u>90,000</u>	<u>4</u>		
No. Hotels or Motels <u>3</u>	Total Rooms <u>114</u>	Hospital Beds <u>96</u>	Doctors <u>13</u>	
Churches <u>Protestant 20 Catholic 1 Jewish - Other -</u>		Distance to Regional Shopping Area <u>54</u> miles		
Parks and Recreation Areas <u>Municipal 8 State - Private 1</u>		Golf Courses <u>Public - Private 1</u>		
Sports - College <u>New Orleans - 54 mi.; Hattiesburg - 67 mi.</u>		Sports - Professional <u>New Orleans Saints & New Orleans Jazz</u>		
Cultural Attractions <u>Arts and Crafts Festival, Symphony Concerts, Library sponsored arts & crafts</u>				
Banks <u>2</u>	No. of Libraries <u>1</u>	Civic Clubs <u>14</u>		
Total Assets <u>\$30.4 million</u>	Total Volumes <u>28,143</u>	Total Membership <u>650</u>		
No. of Newspapers <u>Semi-Weekly 1</u>	No. of Radio Stations <u>AM 1 FM - VHF - UHF - CATV -</u>	No. of TV Stations		
United Fund <u>Yes no</u>	Percent of Quota Last Three Years <u>Approximately 70%</u>			
	Avg. Temp. - Degrees F.	Month	Rain in Inches	Unusual Weather
Coldest month	<u>46</u>	Wettest <u>Feb.</u>	Wettest <u>9.52</u>	<u>None</u>
Hottest month	<u>82</u>	Driest <u>Apr.</u>	Driest <u>1.70</u>	
Annual Average	<u>64</u>	Total	<u>60</u>	
No. of Days Over 90 Degrees <u>75</u>	No. of Days Between Killing Frosts <u>250</u>	Degree Days Per Year <u>1,640</u>	Snow in Inches <u>None</u>	

EDUCATION	Public Schools	Enrollment	Teacher Ratio	Grades	Name	Distance	No. of Students	
	Elementary	1,854	25	1-6	Univ. of Sou. Miss.	63 mi.	9,136	
	Junior High	981	21	7-9	Miss. State Univ.	225 mi.	10,451	
	Senior High	782	17	10-12	Univ. of Miss.	297 mi.	7,777	
	Vocational Training	<u>X</u> yes <u> </u> no			Tulane & U.N.O.	54 mi.	22,412	
	Closest Junior College							
	Other Schools	Enrollment	Pupil/Teacher Ratio	Grades	Name	Distance	No. of Students	
	Elementary				Pearl River	27 mi.	1,987	
	Junior High							
	Senior High				Vocational Training	<u>X</u> yes <u> </u> no		
HOUSING	Apartment Availability				House Availability			
	Limited <u> </u> Satisfactory <u>X</u> Good <u> </u>				Limited <u> </u> Satisfactory <u>X</u> Good <u> </u>			
	Typical Apartment 1 BR Furn. \$150, Unfurn. \$100				Building Cost per Sq. Ft. (Housing)			
	Rental Cost 2 BR Furn. \$175, Unfurn. \$125				High \$ 21, Med. \$ 18, Low \$ 15			
RESOURCES	Agricultural/Forest Products of Area				Mineral Resources of Area			
	Pine, Hardwoods, Cattle, Swine, Dairy Cattle, and Soybeans				Oil, Gas, Sand, Gravel, and Clay			
INDUSTRIAL SITES	Special Sites Available							
	Deepwater <u> </u> , Barge Depth <u> </u> , Airport <u>X</u> , Thruway <u>X</u> , Planned Ind. Parks <u>X</u> , Zoned Tract <u>X</u> , "Eas" Land <u>X</u>							
	Price Range Based on Recent Sales Per Acre				Acreage of Sites			
	\$500 to \$ 2,000				over 100 acres			
	Site Data Available				Available Vacant Buildings			
	Aerial Photos <u>X</u> , Maps <u>X</u> , Test Boring Report <u> </u>				None			
INDUSTRY	Utilities Available to Site							
	Electricity <u>X</u> , Gas <u>X</u> , Water-Potable <u>X</u> , Water-Sprinkler <u>X</u> , Sewage <u>X</u>							
	Can Financing of Indust. Bldgs. be Arranged				On What Basis			
	<u>X</u> yes <u> </u> no				Lease <u>X</u> , Lease-Purchase <u>X</u> , Sale <u>X</u> , Other <u> </u>			
	Major Manufacturers Operating in Area		Products	No. Employees	Unions (Int'l.)			
	Crosby Chemicals, Inc.		Chemicals	155	None			
	Crosby Forest Products		Paints & Varnishes	45	None			
	General Box Company		Wire Bound Boxes	280	I.W.A.			
	Interpine - Crosby Wood Division		Lumber	75	None			
	Pearl River Wood Preserving Corp.		Pressure Treated Wd	20	None			
Picayune Mfg. Co. (Div. NECO Elec.)		Electrical Controls	225	None				
Rester Cabinet Mfg. Company		Wood Cabinets	16	None				
Stewart Dura-Van Company, Inc.		Van Bodies	19	None				
Wood Treating, Inc.		Treated Poles	35	None				
Plant Openings (Last 5 Years)								
Allied Steel		Structural Steel	12	None				
Standard Container Company		Metal Containers	133	None				
Important Construction (any type) Underway or Announced								

LOCATION SERVICES

Lossett's Inc.	Local	Machine & Welding	32
Stewart Machine & Engineering Company	Local	Machine Shop	26

Local Development Organization(s) Brochure available
 Pearl River County Development Association Yes No

Name of Contact(s)
 Mr. Talmadge Rayborn, Executive Director Telephone Number: (601) 798-8036

Address
 P. O. Box 398, Picayune, Mississippi 39466

REMARKS: (Use this space for other information of interest)

Note #1 - Natural Gas Rates:
 Commercial Rate: First 25 Mcf - \$46.96
 Next 25 Mcf - \$ 1.16 per Mcf
 Next 150 Mcf - \$.84 per Mcf
 Next 300 Mcf - \$.739 per Mcf
 All over 500 Mcf - \$.172 per Mcf
 Large Industrial Rate: 54.5¢ per Mcf

Note #2 - Mr. Darriel Pigott, President
 Greater Picayune Area, Inc.
 P. O. Box 448
 Picayune, Mississippi 39466

	MISSISSIPPI POWER COMPANY Industrial Development Department P. O. Box 4079 Gulfport, Mississippi 39501 AC 601-884-1211	
	Prepared by	Date
	David Williams	2/24/75

Municipal government

GOVERNMENT

Post office class _____

Telephone service (Western Union) _____ Yes

Telephone service _____ South Central Bell

Cable television _____ Reception (with cable) _____

Television stations: Local _____ Reception _____

Radio stations: AM _____ FM _____

Newspapers _____ Pay/line item _____

Police department _____

Fire department _____

COMMUNICATIONS

Police department _____

Branch from another city _____

Local _____

Savings and loan associations _____

Branch bank from another city _____

Local _____

FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

Bank _____

Telephone service _____

South Central Bell _____

Television stations: Local _____

Radio station: AM _____

Present load _____ #

Capacity _____ million gallons/day

Treatment plant type _____ Primary and secondary

Battery sewer _____ Yes _____ Percent of community covered _____ 100 %

LP gas: Available from _____ Local

Fuel oil: Available from _____ Local

Distribution: City _____

Supplier: United Gas _____

Natural gas _____

Storage capacity _____ 100,000 gallons

Peak consumption _____ 1,000,000 gal

Average daily consumption _____ 800,000 gal

Plant capacity _____ 2,000,000 gal

Source(s) _____ Well

Utility name _____ City

Water _____

Association: _____

Distribution: _____

Electricity: _____

UTILITIES AND SERVICES

Life insurance rating _____

Service provided to industrial sites beyond corporate limits _____

Service will cover industrial parks _____

Bowling lanes _____

YMCA _____

Country club _____

YMCA _____

Golf course _____

Other _____

Indoor _____

Picayune, Mississippi

FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

Banks:

	Number	Total Assets
Local	<u>2</u>	\$ <u>29,479,759</u>
Branch bank from another city		\$ _____

Savings and loan associations:

	Number	Total Assets
Local		\$ _____
Branch from another city	<u>3</u>	\$ <u>197,475,063</u>

COMMUNICATIONS

Newspapers: Picayune Item _____ Daily _____ Weekly X

Radio stations: AM 1 FM _____

Television stations: Local _____ Reception _____

Cable television Yes Reception (with cable) 6

Telephone service South Central Bell

Telegraph service (Western Union) Yes

Post office class 1

GOVERNMENT

Municipal government:

Type Council-Manager

Zoning regulations Yes Planning commission Yes

Police department:

Personnel 19 Patrol cars 4

Fire department:

Personnel: Full-time 9 Volunteer 10

Equipment 3 pumper trucks

Fire insurance rating 7th class

Service provided to industrial areas beyond corporate limits

Service will cover industrial parks

UTILITIES AND SERVICES

Electricity: Supplier(s) Miss. Power Company

Distributor(s) Coast Electric Power Association, Miss. Power Company

Water:

Utility name _____ City _____

Source(s) Wells

Plant capacity 2,000,000 gpd

Average daily consumption 800,000 gpd

Peak consumption 1,070,000 gpd

Storage capacity 700,000 gallons

Natural gas:

Supplier(s) United Gas

Distributor(s) City

Fuel oils: Available from Local

LP gas: Available from Local

Sanitary sewer: Yes Percent of community covered 100 %

Treatment plant type Primary and secondary

Capacity 1.0 million gallons/day

Present load 83 %

Storm sewer: Yes Percent of community covered 50 %

Method of garbage disposal Sanitary landfill

RECREATION

Art museum	_____	Parks: Local	<u>3</u>
Auditorium/coliseum	_____	State, federal	_____
Auto race track	_____	Skating rink	<u>1</u>
Amateur theatre	_____	Swimming pool	<u>1</u>
Ball field	<u>1</u>	Tennis court	<u>1</u>
Bowling lanes	_____	YMCA	<u>1</u>
Country club	<u>1</u>	YWCA	_____
Golf course	<u>1</u>	Other:	_____
Indoor movie	<u>1</u>		_____

BOR FORCE (County Data)

Estimated labor force: 9,580 (Feb., 1974)
 Males 6,420 Females 3,160
 Manufacturing jobs as percent of employment 23% (1972)
 Local high school graduates 310 (1973)

EDUCATION

Public schools:

	Number	Teachers	Enrollment
Elementary	<u>5</u>	<u>79</u>	<u>1,939</u>
Secondary	<u>2</u>	<u>76</u>	<u>1,752</u>
Private, parochial schools:	<u>2</u>		<u>236</u>

NOTE: Public school data by school district. Private and parochial school data by county.

Vo-tech centers:

	Enrollment
Pearl River Jr. Coll. (27 mi.)	<u>464</u>

Colleges:

	Enrollment
Pearl River Jr. Coll. (27 mi.)	<u>1,045</u>
11 colleges in New Orleans	
Univ. of Southern Miss. — Gulf Park Branch (45 mi.)	<u>652</u>

Public library 1 Total volumes 32,000

HEALTH CARE

Hospitals 1 Beds 100
 Doctors 13 1/2 Dentists 6

CHURCHES, SYNAGOGUES

Protestant 30 Catholic 1 Jewish _____

HOTELS, MOTELS

Hotels, Motels 4 Total rooms 75

TAXES

(Tax year 19__)

Manufacturer's property taxes (excludes inventory):

Area	Rate/\$1,000	Assessment Ratio	Effective Rate/\$1,000 of Actual Value	
			Inside City	Outside City
City	\$ <u>40.00</u>	<u>40</u> %	\$ <u>16.00</u>	\$ _____
County	\$ <u>66.00</u>	<u>10</u> %	\$ <u>6.60</u>	\$ <u>6.60</u>
School *	\$ _____	_____ %	\$ _____	\$ _____
State	\$ <u>4.00</u>	<u>10</u> %	\$ <u>0.40</u>	\$ <u>0.40</u>
Other	\$ _____	_____ %	\$ _____	\$ _____
Total effective rate/\$1,000 of actual value			\$ <u>23.00</u>	\$ <u>7.00</u>

Local nonproperty taxes:

City:	Retail sales	<u>No</u>
	Income (wage)	<u>No</u>
County:	Retail sales	<u>No</u>
	Income (wage)	<u>No</u>
State:	Retail	<u>5</u> %
	Individual income	
	Minimum rate	<u>3</u> %
	Maximum rate	<u>4</u> %
	Corporate income	<u>3-4</u> %
	Corporate franchise	<u>0.25</u> %
	Intangibles	<u>No</u> %
	Gasoline	<u>9</u> ¢/gal.

CLIMATE

Temperature: Monthly average — January 53 °
 — July 82 °
 Rainfall: Annual average 62 inches
 Snowfall: Annual average 0.1 inches
 Prevailing winds SSE
 Average elevation 60 feet (mean sea level)

Picayune, Mississippi

MAJOR MANUFACTURING EMPLOYERS

Name	Product or Service	Number of Employees		Union
		Male	Female	
General Box Company	Shipping containers	200	80	
Picayune Manufacturing Company	Electric housewares		225	
Crosby Chemicals, Inc.	Naval store products	192	8	
Standard Container Company	Metal containers, food cans	90	43	
Interpine Lumber Co.	Yellow pine lumber	71	4	

AVAILABLE INDUSTRIAL PROPERTIES

Name	Acreage		R&D Center Site File Code
	Total	Available	
Brazil Site	140	120	55003
Picayune Palestine Road Site - No. 1	54.6	45	55002
Picayune Palestine Road Site - No. 2	53.3	53.3	55005
Thigpen Site	50	50	55004

REMARKS

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, CONTACT:

Name _____
Organization _____
Address _____
Phone _____

MISSISSIPPI POWER COMPANY COMMUNITY SURVEY

Community
POPLARVILLE

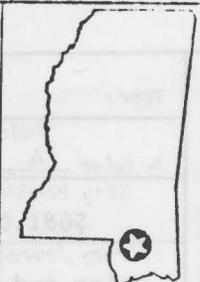
County

Pearl River

State

Mississippi

Elevation
313 feet



Location (Distance and direction to major cities)

Atlanta	459 mi. (N)	Jackson	120 mi. (N)
Birmingham	270 mi. (N)	Memphis	330 mi. (N)
Hattiesburg	40 mi. (N)	Mobile	120 mi. (E)
Houston	400 mi. (W)	New Orleans	87 mi. (S)

POPULATION		City	County	SMA	City (50 mi. Radius)	Approximate Percentages	
	1960 Census	2,136	22,411			White	75
	1970 Census	2,312	27,802			Non-white	25
	1974 Estimate	-	28,300			Male	47
	1980 Projection	-	33,500			Female	53

EMPLOYMENT	County Labor Force Summary		Manufacturing Wage Rates		Low	Middle Range	High	
	Manufacturing	1,730	Skilled		2.35	2.50 - 3.75	5.00	
	Non-manufacturing	3,420	Semi-skilled		1.60	2.25 - 3.50	4.00	
	Construction	110	Unskilled		1.60	1.80 - 2.20	2.75	
	Transp. & Utilities	100	County unemployment rate	4.6 %	Manufacturing workers in unions (estimated)	0 %	Cost of fringe benefits (State average)	25%
	Trade	1,100						
	Service & Misc.	620						
Government	1,310							

Rail Lines

Southern Railroad

Daily service	Passenger service	Reciprocal switching	Daily switching
Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Yes No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes - No -	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

Truck Lines	Terminals	Overnight service to	Nearest bulk break point
5	0	New Orleans, Jackson	New Orleans

Air Lines

Southern Airlines

Airport: Yes No

Runway length - Paved -, Attended -, Lighted -, I.L.S. -, Radar -, Fuel -

Intercity Bus Lines	Intracity Bus Lines	Waterways
1	Yes No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Barge - Channel depth - Ship - Channel depth -

Highways - Interstate	Highways - U.S.	Highways - State	Distance to Interstate highway
I-59	11	26	1 mile

TAXES	Sales and Use Tax		State Income Tax		Unemployment Comp. Rate (avg.)		Range of Benefits/Week		Workers Comp. Rate (avg.)		Range of Benefits/Week	
	Retail	5%	Industrial	None	3% on first \$5,000 in excess of deductions.	4% on remainder.	0.70% on \$4,200 base	\$49 maximum	Varies by class.	\$63 maximum		
	Manufacturers Property Taxes		Assess. Practice		Effective Rate/\$1000 In City		Out City		Corporate Franchise Tax			
	City	\$23.00	20 %	\$4.60	-	\$2.50 per \$1,000 of capital invested within the State.						
	School	-	- %	-	-	Corporate Organization/Qualification Tax						
	County	\$36.75	15 %	\$5.51	\$5.51	\$25 for first \$5,000-over \$5,000 \$2.00 per \$1,000 to a maximum of \$500.						
	School	\$34.00	15 %	\$5.10	\$5.10	Property Tax Exemptions						
	State	\$ 4.00	15 %	\$.60	\$.60							
	Total Effective Rate/\$1000			\$15.81	\$11.21	TAB F						
						Homestead <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Freeport <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>						

GOVERNMENT	Type: <u>Manager Council</u> <u>Mayor Commission</u> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <u>Mayor Aldermen</u> <u>Other</u>															
	Police Force: Regular <u>4</u> Part Time <u>2</u> Fire Department: Regular <u>-</u> Volunteer <u>15</u> Insurance Rating: No. <u>VIII</u> Rating															
	City Bonded Debt (G.O.) <u>\$681,000</u> City Budget, General Fund - Present Year <u>\$135,000</u> Last Prior Year <u>\$129,800</u>															
	Primary Sources of Revenue: Sales and Ad Valorem Taxes Annexation Plans: <u>None</u>															
	Regulations Affecting Business: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pollution <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> City Zoning <input type="checkbox"/> County Zoning <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Master Plan Industrial Plans Must be Approved by: <u>Poplarville Planning Commission</u>															
	Water Source: <input type="checkbox"/> Stream <input type="checkbox"/> Reservoir <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Wells Total Hardness Tap Water (CaCO ₃): <u>-</u> ppm															
	System Capacity: <u>2.16</u> MGD. Storage Capacity: Elevated <u>350,000</u> gal. Industrial Rate: 3,000 gallons - \$2.50															
	Peak Demand: <u>1.4</u> MGD. Ground <u>162,500</u> gal. 10,000 - 20,000 gallons - \$.35/1,000 gal. All over 20,000 gallons - \$.20/1,000 gal.															
	Sewage Treatment Plant <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Capacity: <u>-</u> MGD. Area Covered: <u>City</u> Sewer Use Charge: <u>50% of water bill</u>															
	Sanitary Flies-up Provided: Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Area Telephone Company: <u>South Central Bell Telephone Company</u>															
UTILITIES	Electric Service: <u>Mississippi Power Company (Southern Company Affiliate)</u> Rate furnished upon receipt of requirements. Specify expected measured capacity requirements in KW, power factor, and monthly energy consumption in KWH.															
	Power Cost Range (\$ per KWH): <u>1.0 to 2.5</u>															
	Gas Service: <u>United Gas Company</u> Rate: <u>See Note #1</u> BTU/CU. FT.: <u>1,000</u>															
	Alternate Fuel Sources:															
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#2 Fuel Oil	138,000	1														
#6 Fuel Oil	150,000	1														
Butane	100,000	2														
Propane	90,000	2														
COMMUNITY SERVICES	No. Hotels or Motels: <u>3</u> Total Rooms: <u>25</u> Hospital Beds: <u>30</u> Doctors: <u>2</u>															
	Churches: Protestant <u>10</u> Catholic <u>1</u> Jewish <u>-</u> Other <u>-</u> Distance to Regional Shopping Area: <u>40</u> miles <u>Hattiesburg</u>															
	Parks and Recreation Areas: Municipal <u>2</u> State <u>-</u> Private <u>-</u> Golf Courses: Public <u>-</u> Private <u>1</u>															
	Sports - College: <u>Pearl River Junior College</u> Sports - Professional: <u>New Orleans Saints</u>															
	Cultural Attractions:															
	Banks: <u>2</u> No. of Libraries: <u>1</u> Civic Clubs: <u>5</u>															
	Total Assets: <u>\$160 million</u> Total Volumes: <u>11,000</u> Total Membership: <u>100</u>															
	No. of Newspapers: Daily <u>-</u> Weekly <u>1</u> No. of Radio Stations: AM <u>1</u> FM <u>1</u> No. of TV Stations: VHF <u>-</u> UHF <u>-</u> CATV <u>-</u>															
	United Fund: <u>yes</u> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <u>no</u> Percent of Quota Last Three Years:															
	CLIMATE	Avg. Temp.-Degrees F. Month Rain in Inches Unusual Weather														
Coldest month: <u>46</u> Wettest: <u>Feb.</u> Wettest: <u>9.52</u>																
Hottest month: <u>82</u> Driest: <u>Apr.</u> Driest: <u>1.70</u>																
Annual Average: <u>64</u> Total: <u>60</u>																
No. of Days Over 90 Degrees: <u>-</u> No. of Days Between Killing Frosts: <u>-</u> Degree Days Per Year: <u>-</u> Snow in Inches: <u>-</u>																

EDUCATION						
Public Schools	Enrollment	Pupil/Teacher Ratio	Grades	Name	Distance	No. of Students
Elementary	548	26	1-4	Univ. of Sou. Miss.	36 mi.	9,000
Junior High	311	21	5-6	Miss. State Univ.	198 mi.	10,008
Senior High	823	21	7-12	Univ. of Miss.	270 mi.	7,804
Vocational Training <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no						
Closest Junior College						
Other Schools	Enrollment	Pupil/Teacher Ratio	Grades	Name	Distance	No. of Students
Elementary				Pearl River	Local	1,831
Junior High						
Senior High				Vocational Training	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no	
HOUSING						
Apartment Availability Limited <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Satisfactory <input type="checkbox"/> Good <input type="checkbox"/>				House Availability Limited <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Satisfactory <input type="checkbox"/> Good <input type="checkbox"/>		
Typical Apartment 1 BR Furn. \$ 125, Unfurn. \$ 95				Building Cost per Sq. Ft. (Housing)		
Total Cost 2 BR Furn. \$ 150, Unfurn. \$ 115				High \$ 18, Med. \$ 14, Low \$ 11		
Typical Construction Frame <input type="checkbox"/> , Brick Veneer <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> , Masonry <input type="checkbox"/> , Other <input type="checkbox"/>				Typical Lot Size		Cost of Lots
				100 X 150		\$2,500 to \$3,500
RESOURCES						
Agricultural/Forest Products of Area Pine, Oak, & Beef				Mineral Resources of Area Oil, Gas, Sand, Gravel, & Clay		
INDUSTRIAL SITES						
Special Sites Available Deepwater <input type="checkbox"/> , Barge Depth <input type="checkbox"/> , Airport <input type="checkbox"/> , Thruway <input type="checkbox"/> , Planned <input type="checkbox"/> , Zoned <input type="checkbox"/> , "Ras" Land <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>						
Price Range based on Recent Sales Per Acre \$ 500 to \$ 2,000				Acreage of Sites 50 acres +		
Site Data Available Aerial Photos <input type="checkbox"/> , Maps <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> , Test Boring Report <input type="checkbox"/>				Available Vacant Buildings None		
Utilities Available to Site Electricity <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> , Gas <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> , Water-Potable <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> , Water-Sprinkler <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> , Sewage <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>						
Can Financing of Indust. Bldgs. be Arranged <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no				On What Basis Lease <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> , Lease-Purchase <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> , Sale <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> , Other <input type="checkbox"/>		
INDUSTRY						
Major Manufacturers Operating in Area				Products	No. Employees	Unions (Int'l.)
Movie Star of Poplarville, Inc.				Apparel	669	None
Poplarville Manufacturing Company				Farm Implements	86	None
Plant Openings (Last 5 Years)						
Important Construction (any type) Underway or Announced New airport approved for construction in 1974						

LOCATION SERVICES	Major support and service industries	Distance	Service	No. Employees
	All support available in Hattiesburg, MS			

Local Development Organization(s) brochure available
 Pearl River County Development Association Yes No

Name of Contact(s)
 Mr. Talmadge Rayborn, Executive Director See Note #2

Address
 P. O. Box 398, Picayune, Mississippi 39466

REMARKS: (Use this space for other information of interest)

Note #1 - Rate furnished upon receipt of requirements. Specify peak hour demand in Mcf, peak day demand in Mcf, monthly usage in Mcf and delivery pressure in Psi.

Note #2 - North Pearl River County Chamber of Commerce
 P. O. Box 73
 Poplarville, Mississippi 39470

	MISSISSIPPI POWER COMPANY Industrial Development Department P. O. Box 4079 Gulfport, Mississippi 39501 AC 601-864-1211	
	Prepared by	Date
	David Williams	2-20-74

MISSISSIPPI POWER COMPANY COMMUNITY SURVEY

See Note 1

LONG BEACH

County

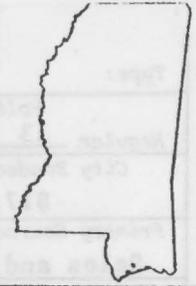
Harrison

State

Mississippi

Elevation

15 feet



Distances (distances and direction to major cities)

Atlanta	495 mi. (NE)	Gulfport	5 mi. (E)
Birmingham	325 mi. (NE)	Mobile	78 mi. (E)
Chicago	921 mi. (N)	New Orleans	68 mi. (W)
Dallas	583 mi. (W)		

POPULATION		City	County	SMA**	City (50 mi. Radius)	Approximate Percentage	
	1950 Census	4,770	119,489	-		White	83
	1970 Census	6,170	134,582	134,582		Non-white	17
	Estimate	8,000	146,200	174,000		Male	52
	1980 Projection	-	157,800	188,000		Female	48

EMPLOYMENT	County Labor Force Summary		Manufacturing Wage Rates		Low	Middle Range	High	
	Manufacturing	4,530	Skilled		2.35	3.00 - 4.50	5.25	
	Non-manufacturing	37,310	Semi-skilled		2.10	2.25 - 3.50	4.00	
	Construction	3,710	Unskilled		2.10	2.10 - 2.30	2.75	
	Transp. & Utilities	3,600	County unemployment rate	4.1 %	Manufacturing workers in unions (estimated)	21 %	Cost of fringe benefits (State average)	25 %
	Trade	9,450						
	Services & Misc.	6,630						
Government	11,900							

TRANSPORTATION*	Rail Lines			
	Illinois Central Gulf and Louisville and Nashville Railroad			
	Local service	Passenger service	Reciprocal switching	Daily switching
	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
	Truck Lines	Terminals	Overnight service to	Nearest bulk break point
	10	10	Atlanta, Dallas, Houston, Memphis, Mobile, New Orleans	New Orleans
	Air Lines			Nearest Commercial Service
Southern Airlines and Gulf Coast Aviation			Local <input type="checkbox"/> _____ mi.	
Airport: Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>				
Runway length 9,000', Paved <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> , Attended <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> , Lighted <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> , I.L.S. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> , Radar <input type="checkbox"/> , Fuel <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>				
Inter-city Bus Lines	Intracity Bus Lines	Waterways		
2	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Barge <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Channel depth 12 ft.	Ship <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Channel depth 30 ft.	
Highways - Interstate	Highways - U.S.	Highways - State	Distance to Interstate highway	
I-10	49, 90	15, 53, 67	Local	

TAXES	Sales and Use Tax		State Income Tax		
	Retail 5%	Industrial None	3% on first \$5,000 in excess of deductions. 4% on remainder.		
	Unemployment Comp. Rate (avg.)	Range of Benefits/week	Workers Comp. Rate (avg.)	Range of Benefits/week	
	0.90% on \$4,200 base	\$60 maximum	Varies by class.	\$63 maximum	
	Manufacturers Property Taxes			Corporate Franchise Tax	
	Area	Assess. Rate/\$1000 Practice	Effective Rate/\$1000 In City		Out City
	City	\$12.00	34 %	\$4.08	-
	School	\$30.50	34 %	\$10.07	-
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LOCATION SERVICES

Major support and service industries	Distance	Service	No. Employees
Port of Gulfport	Local	Deep water shipping	-
Biloxi Foundry, Incorporated	Local	Castings	10
Gulf Coast Tool & Die Company	Local	Tool and die	73
Litchfield Plating	Local	Metal Plating	15
McElroy Machine & Manufacturing Company	Local	Machine works	24
Modern Metals	Local	Tools & fabrication	-
Southern Metal Service, Incorporated	Local	Steel	16

Local Development Organization(s) Brochure available
 Harrison County Development Commission Yes No

Name of Contact(s)
 Perry B. Wingo, Executive Director

Address
 P. O. Box 569, Gulfport, Mississippi 39501 (601) 863-3807

REMARKS: (Use this space for other information of interest)

Note #1 - The cities of Biloxi, Gulfport, Long Beach and Pass Christian are located in Harrison County and are contiguous to each other. The information contained in this form is for only the city of Long Beach unless identified as area information (information common to the four cities) by an asterisk (*).

Note #2 - City Water Rates:
 \$5.20 for first 10,000 gal.
 Next 5,000 @ \$0.50/M gal. Next 10,000 @ \$0.30/M gal.
 Next 5,000 @ \$0.45/M gal. Next 10,000 @ \$0.25/M gal.
 Next 10,000 @ \$0.35/M gal. Next 50,000 @ \$0.20/M gal.

Long Beach Industrial Park Water and Sewer Rates, 500,000 gal. elevated storage.

Water: Monthly Services
 First 10,000 gal. @ \$0.50/M gal. Next 150,000 gal. @ \$0.225/M gal.
 (w/\$5.00 minimum) Next 250,000 gal. @ \$0.20/M gal.
 Next 15,000 gal. @ \$0.40/M gal. Next 500,000 gal. @ \$0.175/M gal.
 Next 25,000 gal. @ \$0.30/M gal. Next 1,000,000 gal. @ \$0.15/M gal.
 Next 50,000 gal. @ \$0.25/M gal.

Private Fire Protection: \$5.00 per inch diameter connection per month.
 Domestic Waste Charge: 50% of metered water bill.

Note #3 - Rate furnished upon receipt of requirements. Specify peak hour demand in Mcf, peak day demand in Mcf, monthly usage in Mcf and delivery pressure In Psi.

** - 1970 population is for the Harrison County, Mississippi SMSA. 1975 and 1980 Estimate of population considers the newly described SMSA of Hancock, Harrison and Stone Counties.

*** - Assessment Practices are 15% of Real and 25% of Personal Property.

Plant Location Assistance  Nationwide Network	MISSISSIPPI POWER COMPANY Industrial Development Department P. O. Box 4079 Gulfport, Mississippi 39501 AC 601-864-1211	
	Prepared by David Williams	Date 2/24/75

EDUCATION	Public Schools	Enrollment	Pupil/Teacher Ratio	Grades	Closest College or University		
	Elementary	1,528	20	1-6	Univ. of Sou. Miss.	74	9,136
	Junior High	1,040	23	7-9	USM-Long Beach	Local	951
	Senior High	779	17	10-12	Miss. State Univ.	254	10,451
	Vocational Training	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no			Tulane and UNO	68	22,412
	Other Schools	Enrollment	Pupil/Teacher Ratio	Grades	Closest Junior College		
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	Junior High						
	Senior High	150	13	7-12	Vocational Training	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no	
	HOUSING	Apartment Availability				House Availability	
Limited <input type="checkbox"/> Satisfactory <input type="checkbox"/> Good <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>				Limited <input type="checkbox"/> Satisfactory <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good <input type="checkbox"/>			
Typical Apartment 1 BR Furn. \$ 165, Unfurn. \$ 140				Building Cost per Sq. Ft. (Housing)			
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RESOURCES	Agricultural/Forest Products of Area				Mineral Resources of Area		
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INDUSTRIAL SITES*	Special Sites Available				Planned Zoned "Raw"		
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	Price Range Based on Recent Sales Per Acre				Acreage of Sites		
	\$ 6,000 to \$ 12,000				1,000 acres plus		
	Site Data Available				Available Vacant Buildings		
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	Can Financing of Indust. Bldgs. be Arranged				On What Basis		
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no				Lease <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> , Lease-Purchase <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> , Sale <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> , Other <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
	Major Manufacturers Operating in Area				Products	No. Employees	Unions (Intl.)
	Delta Equipment, Incorporated				Pool Tables	4	None
	See also industry listed on Biloxi, Gulfport and Pass Christian surveys						
	Plant Openings (Last 5 Years)						
Important Construction (any type) Underway or Announced							
DuPont Company announced \$125 million Titanium Dioxide Plant.							

MISSISSIPPI POWER COMPANY COMMUNITY SURVEY

See Note 1

GULFPORT
County

Location (Distance and direction to major cities)

Atlanta	491 mi. (NE)	Biloxi	12 mi. (E)
Birmingham	321 mi. (NE)	Hattiesburg	75 mi. (N)
Chicago	917 mi. (N)	Mobile	73 mi. (E)
Dallas	587 mi. (W)	New Orleans	73 mi. (W)
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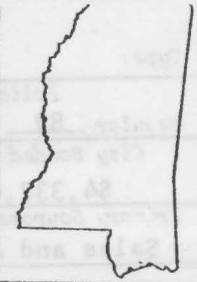
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State

Mississippi

Elevation

15 feet



POPULATION	City	County	SMA **	City (50 mi. Radius)	Approximate Percentages		
	1960 Census	30,204	119,489	-		White	83
	1970 Census	40,791	134,582	134,582		Non-white	17
	1975 Estimate	46,400	146,200	174,000		Male	52
	1980 Projection	52,000	157,800	188,000		Female	48

EMPLOYMENT	County Labor Force Summary		Manufacturing Wage Rates		Low	Middle Range	High	
	Manufacturing	4,530	Skilled		2.35	3.50 - 4.50	5.25	
	Non-manufacturing	37,310	Semi-skilled		2.10	2.25 - 3.50	4.00	
	Construction	3,710	Unskilled		2.10	2.10 - 2.30	2.75	
	Transp. & Utilities	3,600	County unemployment rate	4.1 %	Manufacturing workers in unions (estimated)	21 %	Cost of fringe benefits (State average)	25 %
	Trade	9,450						
	Service & Misc.	6,630						
Government	11,900							

TRANSPORTATION *	Rail Lines			
	Illinois Central Gulf Railroad and Louisville and Nashville Railroad			
	Daily service	Passenger service	Reciprocal switching	Daily switching
	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No -	Yes - No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No -	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No -
	Truck Lines	Terminals	Overnight service to Atlanta, Dallas, Houston, Memphis, Mobile, New Orleans	Nearest bulk break point
	10	10		New Orleans
	Air Lines	Southern Airways and Gulf Coast Aviation		Nearest Commercial Service
Airport: Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No			Local _____ mi.	
Runway length 9,000', Paved <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> , Attended <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> , Lighted <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> , I.L.S. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> , Radar -, Fuel <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>				
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2	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Barge <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Channel depth 12 ft. Ship <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Channel depth 30 ft.	
Highways - Interstate	Highways - U.S.	Highways - State	Distance to Interstate highway	
I-10	49, 90	15, 53, 67	Local	

TAXES	Sales and Use Tax		State Income Tax	
	Retail 5%	Industrial None	3% on first \$5,000 in excess of deductions. 4% on remainder.	
	Unemployment Comp. Rate (avg.)		Range of Benefits/week	Workers Comp. Rate (avg.)
	0.90% on \$4,200 base		\$60 maximum	Varies by class.
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	Elementary		3,555	24	1-6	Name	Distance	No. of Students
	Junior High		2,266	23	7-9	Univ. of Sou. Miss.	69 mi.	9,136
	Senior High		1,829	21	10-12	USM - Long Beach	5 mi.	951
	Vocational Training		X yes ___ no			Miss. State Univ.	249 mi.	10,451
						Tulane and UNO	73 mi.	22,412
	Other Schools		Enrollment	Pupil/Teacher Ratio	Grades	Closest Junior College		
	Elementary		788	18	K-8	Name	Distance	No. of Students
	Junior High					Gulf Coast	5 mi.	22,270
	Senior High		279	25	9-12	Vocational Training X yes ___ no		
HOUSING	Apartment Availability				House Availability			
	Limited ___		Satisfactory ___		Good X		Limited ___	
	Satisfactory ___		Good X		Satisfactory ___		Good X	
	Typical Apartment 1 BR Furn. \$ 165, Unfurn. \$ 140				Building Cost per Sq. Ft. (Housing)			
Rental Cost 2 BR Furn. \$ 200, Unfurn. \$ 165				High \$ 20, Med. \$ 18, Low \$ 15				
Typical Construction				Typical Lot Size		Cost of Lots		
Frame __, Brick Veneer X, Masonry __, Other __				100 X 150		\$ 4,000 to \$14,000		
RESOURCES	Agricultural/Forest Products of Area				Mineral Resources of Area			
	Beef Cattle Pine Timber				Sand, Gravel			
SPECIAL SITES *	Special Sites Available				Planned Zoned "Raw"			
	Deepwater __, Barge Depth X, Airport __, Thruway X,		Ind. Parks X, Tract X, Land X					
	Price Range Based on Recent Sales Per Acre				Acreage of Sites			
	\$ 4,000 to \$ 12,000				1,000 acres plus			
	Site Data Available				Available Vacant Buildings			
	Aerial Photos X, Maps X, Test Boring Report X		Yes					
Utilities Available to Site								
Electricity X, Gas X, Water-Potable X, Water-Sprinkler X, Sewage X								
Can Planning of Indust. Bldgs. be Arranged				On What Basis				
X yes ___ no				Lease X, Lease-Purchase X, Sale X, Other __				
INDUSTRY	Major Manufacturers Operating in Area			Products	No. Employees	Unions (Int'l.)		
	Bayou Steel Company			Steel Fabrication	75	None		
	CE-Natco			Offshore Oil Units	231	None		
	Chattanooga Glass Company			Glass Containers	225	GBBA & AFGW		
	Chemfax, Inc.			Chemicals	35	None		
	Clearspan Components, Inc.			Prefab. Housing	30	None		
	Conalco			Aluminum Extrusions	170	AWOA		
	Crown Zellerbach - Gulfport			Treated Poles	90	None		
	Glenbrook Laboratories			Drugs	100	None		
	Gulf Coast Tool & Die, Ltd.			Machine Tools	85	None		
	Maybelle Dress Manufacturing Company			Apparel	200	None		
	Paceco Division of Fruehauf Corp.			Portainers	200	None		
	Predco, Incorporated			Steel Products	146	IAM		
	Reichhold Chemicals, Inc.			Hydrocarbon Resins	75	Chem. Workers		
	Struthers Wells-Gulfport, Inc.			Heat Exchangers	120	IAMAW		
Teledyne Irby Steel			Steel Pipe	150	Boilermakers			
See also industries in Biloxi and Pass Christian								
Plant Openings (Last 5 Years)								
Marine Systems Div. Frigatemp Corp.			Marine Bulkheading	96	None			
Southern Metal Service, Inc.			Steel Serv. Center	15	None			
Important Construction (any type) Underway or Announced								
Expanding water and sewer system. Expanding deep water port. New coliseum. DuPont Company announced \$125 million								
Titanium Dioxide Plant.								

LOCATION SERVICES

Major support and service industries:	Distance	Service	No. Employees
Port of Gulfport	Local	Deep water shipping	-
Biloxi Foundry, Inc.	Local	Castings	10
Gulf Coast Tool & Die Company	Local	Tool and die	73
Litchfield Plating	Local	Metal Plating	15
McElroy Machine & Manufacturing Company	Local	Machine Works	24
Modern Metals	Local	Tools&fabrication	-
Southern Metal Service, Inc.	Local	Steel	16

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Note #2 - City Water Rates:

First	4,000 gal.	@ \$4.00/M gal.
Next	21,000 gal.	@ \$0.55/M gal.
Next	25,000 gal.	@ \$0.50/M gal.
Next	50,000 gal.	@ \$0.40/M gal.
Next	400,000 gal.	@ \$0.30/M gal.
Next	500,000 gal.	@ \$0.20/M gal.
Next	1,000,000 gal.	@ \$0.15/M gal.
All over	2,000,000 gal.	@ \$0.12/M gal.

Bayou Bernard Industrial District Water and Sewer Rates
 Elevated Storage Capacity 100,000 gallons
 Water: Monthly service charges

First	10,000 gal.	@ \$0.50/M gal. with \$5.00 minimum
Next	15,000 gal.	@ \$0.40/M gal.
Next	25,000 gal.	@ \$0.30/M gal.
Next	50,000 gal.	@ \$0.25/M gal.
Next	150,000 gal.	@ \$0.225/M gal.
Next	250,000 gal.	@ \$0.20/M gal.
Next	500,000 gal.	@ \$0.175/M gal.
Next	1,000,000 gal.	@ \$0.15/M gal.

Private Fire Protection: \$5.00 per inch diameter connection per month.
 Domestic Waste charge: 50% of metered water bill.

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MISSISSIPPI POWER COMPANY COMMUNITY SURVEY

See Note #1

PASS CHRISTIAN

County

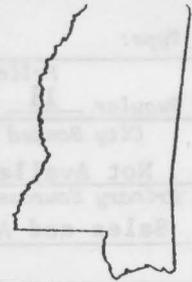
Harrison

State

Mississippi

Elevation

15 feet



Location (Distance and direction to major cities)

Atlanta	502 mi. (NE)	Biloxi	23 mi. (E)
Birmingham	332 mi. (NE)	Gulfport	11 mi. (E)
Chicago	928 mi. (N)	New Orleans	62 mi. (W)
Dallas	576 mi. (W)	Mobile	84 mi. (E)

POPULATION		City	County	SMA	City (50 mi. Radius)	Approximate Percentages	
	1960 Census	3,881	119,489	-		White	83
	1970 Census	4,450	134,582	134,582		Non-white	17
	1975 Estimate	4,800	146,200	174,000		Male	52
	1980 Projection	5,200	157,800	188,000		Female	48

EMPLOYMENT	County Labor Force Summary		Manufacturing Wage Rates		Low	Middle Range	High	
	Manufacturing	4,530	Skilled		2.35	3.00 - 4.50	5.25	
	Non-manufacturing	37,310	Semi-skilled		2.10	2.25 - 3.50	4.00	
	Construction	3,710	Unskilled		2.10	2.10 - 2.30	2.75	
	Transp. & Utilities	3,600	County unemployment rate	4.1%	Manufacturing workers in unions (estimated)	21 %	Cost of fringe benefits (State average)	25 %
	Trade	9,450						
	Service & Misc.	6,630						
Government	11,900							

TRANSPORTATION*	Rail Lines			
	Illinois Central Gulf Railroad and Louisville & Nashville Railroad			
	Daily service	Passenger service	Reciprocal switching	Daily switching
	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Yes No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
	Truck Lines	Terminals	Overnight service to Atlanta, Dallas, Mobile Houston, Memphis, New Orleans	Nearest bulk break point New Orleans
	10	10		
	Air Lines	Southern Airways and Gulf Coast Aviation		Nearest Commercial Service Local _____ mi.
Airport: Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Runway length 9,000', Paved <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> , Attended <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> , Lighted <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> , I.L.S. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> , Radar -, Fuel <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
Intercity Bus Lines	Intracity Bus Lines	Waterways		
2	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Barge <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Channel depth 12'	Ship <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Channel depth 30 ft.	
Highways - Interstate I-10	Highways - U.S. 49, 90	Highways - State 15, 53, 67	Distance to Interstate highway Local	

TAXES	Sales and Use Tax		State Income Tax	
	Retail 5%	Industrial None	3% on first \$5,000 in excess of deductions.	4% on remainder.
	Unemployment Comp. Rate (avg.)	Range of Benefits/week	Workers Comp. Rate (avg.)	Range of Benefits/week
	0.90% on \$4,200 base	\$60 maximum	Varies by class.	\$63 maximum
	Manufacturers Property Taxes			Corporate Franchise Tax
	Area	Rate/\$1000	Assess. Practice	Effective Rate/\$1000 In City Out City
	City	\$19.00	33 %	\$6.27 -
	School	\$28.00	33 %	\$9.24 -
	County	\$47.90	*** 15 %	\$7.19 \$7.19
	School	\$36.80	*** 15 %	- \$5.52
State	\$4.00	*** 15 %	\$0.60 \$0.60	
Property Tax Exemptions				
Total Effective Rate/\$1000		\$23.30	\$13.31	
Homestead <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Freeport <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>				

Type: <u>Police Force</u>	<u>Manager Council</u>	<u>Mayor Commission</u>	<u>X</u> <u>Mayor Aldermen</u>	<u>Other</u>
Regular <u>11</u> Part Time <u>5</u>	Regular <u>7</u> Volunteer <u>21</u>	Insurance Rating No. <u>8</u> Rating		
City Bonded Debt (G.O.)	City Budget, General Fund - Present Year	Last Prior Year		
<u>Not Available</u>	<u>\$440,000</u>	<u>\$423,000</u>		
Primary Sources of Revenue		Annexation Plans		
<u>Sales and Ad Valorem Taxes</u>		<u>None</u>		
Regulations Affecting Business		Industrial Plans must be Approved by Mayor and Board of Aldermen or Harrison County Development Comm.		
<u>X</u> <u>Pollution</u> <u>X</u> <u>City Zoning</u> <u>-</u> <u>County Zoning</u> <u>X</u> <u>Master Plan</u>				
Water Source		Total Hardness Tap Water (CaCO ₃)		
<u>-</u> <u>Stream</u> <u>-</u> <u>Reservoir</u> <u>X</u> <u>Wells</u>		<u>4.4-6.8</u> ppm.		
System Capacity	Storage Capacity	Industrial Rate		
<u>1.92</u> MMGPD.	Elevated <u>275,000</u> gal.	<u>See Note #2</u>		
Peak Demand	Ground <u>100,000</u> gal.			
<u>0.7</u> MMGPD.				
Sewage Treatment Plant <u>X</u>	Capacity	Area Covered	Sewer Use Charge	
Sewage Lagoons <u>-</u>	<u>0.735</u> MMGPD.	<u>City</u>	<u>See Note #3</u>	
Garbage Pick-up Provided	Area Telephone Company			
Yes <u>X</u> No <u>-</u>	<u>South Central Bell Telephone Company</u>			
Electric Service	<u>Mississippi Power Company (Southern Company Affiliate)</u>			
Power Cost Range (¢ per KWH)	Rate furnished upon receipt of requirements. Specify expected measured capacity requirements in KW, and monthly energy consumption in KWH.			
<u>1.5 to 2.5</u>				
Gas Service	Rate			BTU/CU. FT.
<u>Entex, Incorporated</u>	<u>See Note #4</u>			<u>1,000</u>
Alternate Fuel Sources:				
Fuel	Heating Value BTU/Gal.			No. of Local Sources
<u>#2 Fuel Oil</u>	<u>138,000</u>			<u>10</u>
<u>#6 Fuel Oil</u>	<u>150,000</u>			<u>10</u>
<u>Butane</u>	<u>100,000</u>			<u>3</u>
<u>Propane</u>	<u>90,000</u>			<u>3</u>
No. Hotels or Motels	Total Rooms	Hospital Beds	Doctors	
<u>45</u>	<u>3,547</u>	<u>410</u>	<u>109</u>	
Churches	Distance to Regional Shopping Area		Local miles	
<u>Protestant 119 Catholic 17 Jewish 1 Other -</u>				
Parks and Recreation Areas		Golf Courses		
<u>Municipal 7 State 6 Private 5</u>		<u>Public - Private 9</u>		
Sports - College	<u>Miss. Gulf Coast Jr. College</u>	Sports - Professional		
<u>University of Southern Mississippi</u>	<u>New Orleans Saints & New Orleans Jazz</u>			
Cultural Attractions				
<u>Symphony Concerts, Theatre of Arts, Little Theatre, Art Association, Jefferson Davis Home</u>				
Banks <u>7</u>	No. of Libraries <u>6</u>	Civic Clubs <u>76</u>		
Total Assets <u>\$423.7 million</u>	Total Volumes <u>200,000</u>	Total Membership <u>3,000</u>		
No. of Newspapers	No. of Radio Stations	No. of TV Stations		
Daily <u>2</u> Weekly <u>3</u>	AM <u>6</u> FM <u>4</u>	VHF <u>1</u> UHF <u>1</u> CATV <u>12</u> channels		
United Fund	Percent of Quota Last Three Years			
<u>X</u> yes <u>-</u> no	<u>Over 100%</u>			
	Avg. Temp.-Degrees F.	Month	Rain in Inches	Unusual Weather
Coldest month	<u>54</u>	<u>Wettest July</u>	<u>Wettest 7.33</u>	<u>Tropical Disturbances in the Gulf of Mexico</u>
Hottest month	<u>82</u>	<u>Driest Oct.</u>	<u>Driest 2.52</u>	
Annual Average	<u>68</u>		<u>Total 58.58</u>	
No. of Days Over 90 Degrees	No. of Days Between Killing Frosts	Degree Days Per Year	Snow in Inches	
<u>52</u>	<u>294</u>	<u>1,550</u>	<u>Trace</u>	

		Closest College or University										
EDU	ON	Public Schools	Enrollment	Pupil/Teacher Ratio	Grades	Name	Distance	No. of Students				
		Elementary	463	20	1-4	Univ. of Sou.Miss.	80 mi.	9,136				
		Junior High	594	20	5-8	USM - Long Beach	6 mi.	951				
		Senior High	513	20	9-12	Miss. State Univ.	260 mi.	10,451				
Vocational Training		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no		Tulane & UNO		62 mi.	22,412					
EDU		Closest Junior College										
		Other Schools	Enrollment	Pupil/Teacher Ratio	Grades	Name	Distance	No. of Students				
		Elementary	317	8	K-6	Gulf Coast	16	22,270				
		Junior High										
Senior High	150	18	7-12	Vocational Training <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no								
HOUSING	Apartment Availability				House Availability							
	Limited <input type="checkbox"/>		Satisfactory <input type="checkbox"/>		Good <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Limited <input type="checkbox"/>		Satisfactory <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Good <input type="checkbox"/>	
	Typical Apartment 1 BR Furn. \$165, Unfurn. \$140				Building Cost per Sq. Ft. (Housing)							
	Rental Cost		2 BR Furn. \$200, Unfurn. \$165		High \$21, Med. \$18, Low \$15							
HOUSING	Typical Construction				Typical Lot Size	Cost of Lots						
	Frame <input type="checkbox"/> , Brick Veneer <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> , Masonry <input type="checkbox"/> , Other <input type="checkbox"/>				100 x 150	\$4,000 to \$14,000						
RESOURCES	Agricultural/Forest Products of Area				Mineral Resources of Area							
	Beef Cattle and Pine Timber				Sand and Gravel							
INDUSTRIAL SITES*	Special Sites Available				Planned	Zoned	"Raw"					
	Deepwater <input type="checkbox"/> , Barge Depth <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Airport <input type="checkbox"/>		Thruway <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Ind. Parks <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Tract <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Land <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>				
	Price Range Based on Recent Sales Per Acre				Acreage of Sites							
	\$6,000 to \$10,000				1,000 acres +							
	Site Data Available		Test Boring		Available Vacant Buildings							
	Aerial Photos <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> , Maps <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Report <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Yes							
Utilities Available to Site												
Electricity <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> , Gas <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> , Water-Potable <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> , Water-Sprinkler <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> , Sewage <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>												
Can Financing of Indust. Bldgs. be Arranged				On What Basis								
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no				Lease <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> , Lease-Purchase <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> , Sale <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> , Other <input type="checkbox"/>								
INDUSTRY	Major Manufacturers Operating in Area		Products	No. Employees	Unions (Intl.)							
	BMI Industries, Inc.		Stain. Steel Eqpt.	40	SMW							
	Bobbie Bond Manufactures		Apparel	42	None							
	Gulf Coast Pre-Stress Co., Inc.		Concrete Products	79	None							
	Pass Christian Industries, Inc.		Apparel	495	None							
	W & A Engineers of Mississippi		Marine Machinery	20	None							
Plant Openings (Last 5 Years)												
Important Construction (any type) Underway or Announced Gulf Coast Coliseum Under Construction.												
DuPont Company announced \$125 million Titanium Dioxide Plant.												

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Major Applicant and Business Activities	Distance	Service	No. Employees
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Note #2 - Water Rate:

	Inside City	Outside City and Industrial Park
First 5,000 gallons	\$0.75/M gal.	\$1.13/M gal.
Next 4,000 gallons	\$0.60/M gal.	\$0.90/M gal.
Next 4,000 gallons	\$0.53/M gal.	\$0.80/M gal.
Next 4,000 gallons	\$0.45/M gal.	\$0.68/M gal.
Next 5,000 gallons	\$0.37/M gal.	\$0.56/M gal.
Next 10,000 gallons	\$0.30/M gal.	\$0.45/M gal.
Next 20,000 gallons	\$0.22/M gal.	\$0.33/M gal.
All over 50,000 gallons	\$0.15/M gal.	\$0.23/M gal.

Note #3 - Sewer Use Charge:
 Under 50,000 gallons - 75% of water bill
 Over 50,000 gallons - 50% of water bill

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APPENDIX L

SLIDELL -- Official Publication of
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DEAR FRIENDS

This booklet is to help you discover the mystique of the progressive City of Slidell, said to have a charm "all its own". In its pages you receive only a brief introduction to the highpoints of our area. We welcome further acquaintance through personal contact with our cosmopolitan citizens who work industriously toward providing a healthy economic atmosphere while preserving the area's natural beauty and charm, extending a hand of friendship to all newcomers.

The remarkable growth of this beautiful area is evidenced most significantly by the population increase over the past ten years. Easy accessibility to both New Orleans and the Gulf Coast accounts for the high percentage of citizens who settle here, coming from large, congested areas. This is indicative of the city's desirability as a place to live, and the hospitable manner of its people.

Evidence of progress is seen in all areas of Slidell. It is for this reason we recommend that you browse through the following pages carefully, then follow up with an "on the spot" visit. The people of our City invite you to be a part of our bright future. Culturally unique, but progressive in spirit. . .this is the area where nature meets progress.

Discover it for yourself.

Sincerely yours,



Frank Cusimano
Mayor

History

Centuries before explorers came, a mammoth lake offered bountiful fish, shrimp and clams. Rich forests grew along the north shore, affording abundant game for the native Indians who made their homes along the bayous.

In 1699 when Bienville and Iberville journeyed to establish the first Louisiana Colony of Biloxi in the name of King Louis XIV, the area we know as St. Tammany was discovered. They named the enormous lake "Pontchartrain" and marvelled at the vast timberland here.

When France lost her North American possessions to the British at the end of the Seven Years' War, this area became part of British West Florida. First settlements were established along the north shore of the lake from Bayou Lacombe to the Tangipahoa River. New Orleans flourished under Spanish Government and trade developed between the North and South shores.

After the Revolutionary War, when the American Colonists were victorious, the West Florida area came under Spanish rule. The Governor in New Orleans urged settlers to come to this region and awarded vast land grants.

By 1810 many West Florida citizens were becoming impatient with their foreign government and a group of patriots made an attack upon the fort at Baton Rouge, capturing the garrison. An independent government was set up with St. Francisville as capital.

President Madison intervened at once and proclaimed West Florida part of United States territory. Colonel Leonard Covington from Natchez carried out the order to haul down the flag of the new republic and raise the Stars and Stripes.

With West Florida part of the U. S. territory, more and more settlers from the east found the lake's north shore irresistible.

Proximity to navigable waterways brought the first

settlement in 1852 on Bayou Bon Fouca. A few pioneer families settled along Pearl River, Bayou Liberty and Bayou Vincent with land grants from Spanish and French governments and homestead rights from the U. S. government.

Had you traveled the area in 1880, your best means of transportation would have been by boat. Robert Landing on Bayou Vincent had a general store and a sawmill across the way. Trails leading into the pine forests were the only other evidences of civilization.

The following year, the New Orleans and North-eastern Railroad sent surveying teams through the marshes and forests seeking a feasible northern outlet for their railroad. These surveyors made their camp at what is now Slidell, due to the high and dry land here. In 1881 they surveyed the townsite and it was incorporated in 1888. Baron Erlanger, one of the railroad's financiers, named the town for John Slidell, his father-in-law, who was a political power of the day. One of Slidell's streets bears the name of Erlanger in his honor.

During this period, Fritz Salmen, a Swiss immigrant from Mississippi, came to the area and began a hand brickyard. Salmen High School is named for his family.

The next ten years brought tremendous growth to the town which had gained a reputation for its marvelous water. For a time it was a health resort with people from diverse areas coming to benefit from the water's curative powers.

In 1895 Fritz Salmen built a small shipyard. In following years another was built, and today shipbuilding is still one of Slidell's primary industries.

Slidell grew gradually, prospering with its timber, brick, shipbuilding, hunting and fishing.

During the 60's when the space age arrived, Slidell tripled in size from the great number of families employed by the Space Industry who chose this area in which to live.

Slidell with its proud historical tradition faces the future with bold plans for civic growth and improvement.

Government

In this state you will hear the words "Parish" and "Police Jury", which are unique to Louisiana. They may be compared with counties and county commissioners in the other states.

The governing body of the Parish is the Police Jury, a group of fourteen members elected by wards for a term of four years.

The Parish seat is at Covington, with a courthouse annex in Slidell where a complete microfilm library of Parish records is available.

Appointed by the Police Jury are the Hospital Board, Airport Authority, Library Board, and Registrar of Voters. The Fire Protection Districts, Road Districts and Drainage Districts are under Police Jury jurisdiction.

Other Parish officials who are elected include: Two District Judges, District Attorney, Coroner, Assessor, Clerk of Court, Sheriff and School Board Members.

The St. Tammany Sheriff's office has 75 full-time employees, with 21 patrol cars, 2 patrol boats, and one emergency van.

There are 28 auxiliary deputies, 24 flotilla deputies, 27 posse deputies and 12 part-time deputies. This department is primarily responsible for the area outside corporate limits but assists in incorporated areas.

STATE AND PARISH TAXES:

Assessments in St. Tammany Parish are based on a ratio of approximately 17% of the true value of a home. Millage rate is 72 mills.

LOUISIANA STATE TAX EXEMPTION:

Each family who owns and lives in their personal home in the State of Louisiana has a \$2000 homestead exemption good for life. Homeowners in the State of Louisiana who are veterans receive a \$5000 homestead exemption good for a period of five years. Homestead exemptions must be filed between January 1 and April 15 annually.

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CITY GOVERNMENT:

The City of Slidell is operated under the Mayor-Councilmen form of government, with a Mayor and five Members of the Council elected for a term of four years. Each Councilman has the duty of supervising one or more city departments: Streets, Sanitation, Water and Sewerage Policy, Recreation, and Finance and Auditing. Two, and sometimes three, councilmen serve as commissioners of the same department.

As elected representatives, councilmen perform all duties and obligations of the governing body of the city, with the Mayor having limited veto power. The City Council meets on the second Tuesday of each month in the Council Chambers at City Hall. The meetings are open to the public and minutes are published in local newspapers.

Supplementing the Mayor and Council are the Planning and Zoning Commission, Civil Defense Commission and Recreation Commission, all appointed by the Mayor and Council.

All fiscal activities of the city are coordinated by an appointed official who serves as City Clerk, Tax Collector and Treasurer, who receives and disperses all funds authorized by the council and reports monthly on these amounts.

Licenses and permits issued by the city must be renewed by March 1, annually, and property tax assessments are mailed in January with payment obligatory by March 31.

Purchases made by the city are supervised by the Department of Commissioners, with final approval by the mayor.

GOVERNMENT: *continued*

The City Court of Slidell has jurisdiction throughout all areas within the city limits. Cases involving violations of city ordinances are prosecuted by the City Attorney, an appointed official. The Court is composed of a City Judge, Marshal and a Clerk of Court. The Judge and Marshal, who must be qualified resident electors of Slidell for at least two years, are elected for a term of six years. The City Court Building is located at the corner of Bouscaren and Third Streets.

CIVIL DEFENSE:

The Civil Defense Building is located on First Street. The Director is appointed by the Governor upon recommendation of the Mayor and Council. Civil Defense funds are included in the city budget, and classes in emergency preparedness are given frequently.

CITY TAX:

The City of Slidell uses the same assessment base as prepared by the State and Parish. There are no exemptions on city taxes. Millage rate for city taxes is \$21.00 per thousand per year.

Business

Located in Louisiana's famed "Ozone Belt", acclaimed for its invigorating air and superb water, Slidell has attained a growth record during the past decade which far exceeds that of the state and nation.

The 1970 census count was 16,106 persons within the corporate limits, an increase of 153% over 1960. Including the area surrounding the city, population figures exceed 30,000.

Slidell is situated deep in Southeastern Louisiana, three miles north of Lake Pontchartrain, at the junction of U. S. Highway 190 and U. S. 11. It is at the triple interchange of Interstate Highways 59, 10 and 12.

Although the city is sometimes called a "bedroom community" (one in which the majority of residents earn their living elsewhere), the continuing residential growth creates a tremendous stimulus for the economy. Families who make their homes here afford local business houses a demanding market with requirements for food, products and services.

Slidell offers an excellent business climate as evidenced by the many new businesses which continue to move into the city. Sales tax figures, bank deposits and building permits indicate a sustained growth pattern for the area.

The trade area encompasses a twenty-five square mile region, providing excellent business potential and adding vitality to the economic picture.

Slidell affords an inviting area for industry with available land, low building costs and labor supply. The planning council seeks to achieve a good balance of industrial growth to complement the residential expansion.

SHOPPING:

In line with the rapid growth of the city, shopping facilities are extensive. The original business district of Slidell, Central City and Front Street, offers a variety of stores with products and services to fill all needs.

On the south side of the city, Tammany Mall and adjacent centers have complete shopping facilities which include supermarkets, chain stores, and specialty shops.

Northside Plaza offers a wide range of business houses; expansion of this center is scheduled for the near future.

Plaza 190, a new shopping center with diversified shops, is soon to be constructed.

Slidell has three banks with branch offices, and two Savings and Loan Associations.

The outlook for continued business growth is excellent with all indications pointing to an ever-increasing market. The number of new homes under construction throughout the city, sustained economic vitality, and a growing demand for products and services point to the fine business potential here.

More than 200 building permits were issued by the city in 1971, with the first quarter of 1972 indicating an even greater number during this year.

UTILITIES

WATER AND SEWERAGE:

Water and Sewerage are municipally owned and operated utilities, administered by the Department of Water Works and Sewerage. City Councilmen act as commissioners of this department.

Slidell has three water wells which supply residents and businesses with artesian water. Residents pay a set fee of \$4.00 per month.

Slidell residents have access to city sewerage. A new treatment plant, one of the most modern in the United States, has been completed.

SANITATION:

The sanitation Department provides residential pick-up service twice weekly. Two trucks with three men each keep the city clean at a rate of 240,000 tons of garbage each month.

An additional service is provided weekly for disposal of trash and refuse. Trees must be cut into four-foot lengths, and trash should not exceed 75 lbs. per residence.

ELECTRICITY:

Central Louisiana Electric Company provides electric service for residents within the area.

Electric rates compare favorably with those in the Midwest, Great Lakes and New England areas.

Washington-St. Tammany Electric Co-op provides service outside the city, serving 1,290 customers, both residential and industrial.

NATURAL GAS:

Louisiana Gas Service Company provides natural gas for Slidell residents. Gas rates here are more than reasonable. The average family should spend approximately \$75.00 on gas annually.

TELEPHONE:

South Central Bell Telephone Company serves the Slidell area.

Community Facilities

RESIDENTIAL:

Slidell offers many outstanding residential areas with homes available in various price ranges. Beautiful new subdivisions as well as homes in older established neighborhoods, are attracting new homeowners. Architectural styles are available to suit all tastes.

LIBRARY:

The Slidell Branch of the St. Tammany Parish Library was established in 1950. The building, located on Erlanger Avenue, is of brick and glass construction with 2300 square feet of floor space. The library has approximately 18,648 volumes and in 1971 had a circulation of 110,883, greatest in St. Tammany Parish.

There are two full-time and two part-time employees on the staff.

The I. Thomas Memorial Branch Library is located at 2513 Third Street. It has approximately 6000 volumes and a circulation of 85,000.

St. Tammany Parish Library System is governed by a five-member Library Board, appointed by the Police Jury. The President of the Police Jury serves as the sixth member of the board.

RELIGION:

Church activities encompass recreational and educational programs as well as spiritual. Most major denominations are represented in Slidell with a total of 35 churches.

MUNICIPAL AUDITORIUM:

Located on Second Street, Slidell Municipal Auditorium is the site of cultural, social and civic events throughout the year. Available to the public on a rental basis, the auditorium maintains a full schedule of occupancy.

STREETS:

Under the supervision of the Street Commissioners, the Street Department is responsible for construction and maintenance. The street foreman is in charge of street cleaning, and the construction foreman handles paving and general repair. Subdivision regulations set specific standards for street width, sidewalks and curbing. In 1971, more than six miles of streets were resurfaced in the city and 10,000 feet of culverts installed.

Street lights are installed by Central Louisiana Electric Company on the recommendation of the Police Department and the approval of the Mayor and City Council. The Police Department makes and supervises the installation of street signs.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Radio:

Slidell's radio station is WBGS, 1000 Watt AM - 1560 on your dial.

WVSL - FM, 1000 Watt - 105.3FM on your dial.

Television:

Excellent reception is enjoyed in our area on four channels, which includes all national networks.

Magazines:

Accolade - published in Slidell (monthly magazine of the greater Slidell area.)

Newspapers:

Daily-Sentry News

Weekly - Slidell St. Tammany Times

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COMMUNITY FACILITIES: *continued*

MEDICAL:

Residents of the Slidell area have access to the best in medical services. Slidell Memorial Hospital, a 132-bed general hospital, is located on Gause Boulevard. Activated in 1959, the hospital serves more than 40,000 persons. It is fully accredited and has received commendations for excellence in cardiac and emergency services. There are 17 doctors and 9 dentists on the staff, as well as many consulting specialists.

There is a well-equipped oxygen therapy department, a three-bed intensive care and a three-bed cardiac unit, all of which are fully manned by qualified personnel.

The nursery is equipped with a Bilirubin light and a respiratory infant alarm for new infants who may suffer distress. There are 16 bassinets, 7 incubators, and 3 isolettes for premature births. Two pediatricians, one full-time and one consulting radiologist, and one pathologist serve on a daily basis. Two registered physical therapists staff the Department of Physical Medicine.

The emergency room is equipped to handle major disasters.

PUBLIC HEALTH:

The St. Tammany Parish Health Unit maintains a branch in Slidell, located at 333 Bouscaren Street, its primary function is the control of communicable disease.

There are two nursing homes - Guest House with 67 beds, one RN Director of Nurses, six LPNs and 25 other trained employees. Greenbriar Nursing and Convalescent Home with 80 beds, 12 licensed nurses and 35 other trained employees.

Southeast Louisiana Hospital, a state-supported mental institution is located in Mandeville, 18 miles west of Slidell. Proximity to the Greater New Orleans area with its many medical institutions of national importance makes it a valuable adjunct to the Slidell Medical Facilities.

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Industry

Slidell offers many excellent advantages for industry seeking the ideal location.

An excellent semi-tropical climate gives the city marvelous weather with few days of freezing temperatures each year. The water supply is abundant and necessary utilities are plentiful.

Situated at the junction point of five major highways Slidell offers the ultimate in accessibility for transporting products. Rail and water facilities are additional advantages.

Low building costs, available land, and a growing labor force make the area especially attractive. The new Vocational Training School located on Bayou Liberty Road offers classes which provide trained employees. Many technical people make their homes here and furnish a potential personnel force.

Among the natural resources of the area are timber and wood products, fish, fur, sand and gravel, seafood, shells and petroleum products.

Several successful industries have operated in the Slidell area for many years. These various companies produce tile and bricks, plastics, boats, ships, marine equipment, wood products, pre-cut homes and modular units and building components. There is a paint manufacturer and a felt and paper-product company. The shell industry here supplies a large market.

The city encourages industry in an effort to establish balanced growth in residential and industrial development. Slidell is a growing city which provides an expanding regional market. This offers excellent profit potential to the manufacturer seeking a location.

Education

Families living in the Slidell area enjoy educational advantages through the excellent school systems conducted by public and parochial institutions. Students who complete high school find exceptional opportunities for higher learning in both colleges and trade schools within easy commuting distance.

Slidell public schools are part of the St. Tammany Parish school system and are operated by the St. Tammany Parish School Board. Members of the School Board are elected by wards to serve for a term of six years. It is their responsibility to select teachers, prepare budgets, levy taxes, determine the number of schools, select the superintendent and other personnel and to have general supervision over the schools of the Parish.

The number of school board members elected from each ward is determined by population. Slidell schools serve part of Wards 6, 7 and 8, and all of Ward 9. Within the city limits there are four elementary schools, two junior high schools and two senior high schools. Both High Schools are accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools.

Well-trained teachers, using the latest teaching techniques, guide students through a well-rounded curriculum. Special programs in Slidell schools include: guidance and counseling, health services, special education classes, summer programs, adult education and home-bound instruction.

In 1971 the enrollment in the public schools in Slidell was 7,980 students with 331 teachers. This is a pupil-teacher ratio of 24 to 1 and a room ratio of 26.4 students.

There are two Roman Catholic schools with grades kindergarten through 8, and several church-sponsored kindergartens. There were 1,018 students in the parochial schools in 1971, with 39 teachers. Students wishing to continue their parochial school education beyond the 8th grade may attend St. Scholastica or St. Paul's in Covington. Bus service is provided.

A number of private pre-kindergarten schools are available throughout the city for the nursery school age group.

The new Vocational and Technical School in Slidell is located on Bayou Liberty Road and offers extensive training in various trades and professions.

Bus transportation is provided to Sullivan Memorial Vocational Trade School in Bogalusa and to Southeastern University in Hammond. Louisiana State University offers evening courses in a variety of subjects.

Institutions of higher learning within commuter distance are:

- Tulane University - New Orleans
- L.S.U.N.O. - New Orleans
- Loyola University - New Orleans
- Dillard University - New Orleans
- Louisiana State University - Baton Rouge
- Southeastern Louisiana University - Hammond
- Dominican College - New Orleans
- Notre Dame University - New Orleans
- Xavier University - New Orleans
- Southern University - New Orleans

Trade Schools:

- Delgado - New Orleans
- Orleans Area Vocational & Technical - New Orleans
- Sullivan Memorial Trade School - Bogalusa
- Sullivan Vo-Tech School - Slidell

POLICE DEPARTMENT:

The Slidell Police Department has 23 full-time employees (six detectives and 17 uniformed officers) and approximately 16 auxiliary officers. The Police Chief is an elected official. Eight patrol cars and one auxiliary van operate 24 hours a day. All police officers attend a thirteen-week training program at the New Orleans Police Academy and attend special courses offered by the F.B.I. The department is instantly alert to emergency information through the N.C.I.C. and in constant touch with Washington, the F.B.I. and the rest of Louisiana.

Patrolmen are on duty at school crossings in conjunction with the School Safety Program.

The Department cooperates with Parish and State law enforcement agencies.

FIRE PROTECTION:

Slidell is part of Fire Protection District No. 1, a political subdivision of the state authorized by the Police Jury. The District is supported by a special five-mill tax and is governed by a four-member Board of Commissioners, two appointed by the police Jury and two by the mayor and council.

With three stations, four pumpers and three tank trucks, Slidell is protected by 10 full-time firemen and 30 active volunteers. There is a telephone alarm system for the firemen.

Transportation

Slidell enjoys a unique and strategic location at the junction of U. S. Highways 190 and 11, and at the triple interchange of three Interstate Highways: 59, 10 and 12. A Tourist Information Center is located adjacent to the interchange.

Travelers from points east pass through to connect with Baton Rouge and Houston. Those coming from the Midwest follow Interstate 59 to Interstate 10 to reach New Orleans. I-10, a six-lane facility with twin bridges, gives ready access to New Orleans in less than 30 minutes from Slidell. Points along the Mississippi Gulf Coast are less than one hour away.

Traffic flow in and around Slidell is smooth and orderly with Gause Boulevard offering a four-lane approach from the interstate.

RAIL FACILITIES:

Southern Railway serves the city, which enjoys a preferred position on mainline trackage. Scheduled passenger stops are offered in Slidell three times a week; North on Monday, Wednesday and Friday, and South on Sunday, Tuesday and Thursday.

BUS SERVICE:

Greyhound Lines has regularly scheduled bus service arriving and departing almost hourly five days a week, and also scheduled to care for weekend passengers. New Orleans is easily accessible through this service.

AIR:

Slidell Municipal Airport is located approximately 4.5 miles west of the city. It has 3,000 feet of hard-surfaced runway, and a parking apron 300 x 900 feet.

The airport is lighted at night, and has landing lights and rotating beacon. Instrument approach facilities have been approved and are expected to be installed in the near future.

New Orleans International Airport is just one hour from Slidell. Major lines offering scheduled flights are:

Braniff	Pan Atlantic
Capital	Southern
Continental	Superior
Delta	Trans-Texas
Eastern	United
National	

Foreign Service is also available.

Interstate motor carriers service Slidell, affording complete transportation service.

Recreation

Leisure is a way of life in the Slidell area with residents enjoying a full range of activities running the gamut of cultural, social, civic and sports events.

Some of the annual festivities providing color and excitement include Mardi Gras, the Camellia Show, Pirogue Races, Fishing Rodeo, and Jazz on the Bayou. Slidell's Little Theatre provides a year-round showcase for local talent in the fields of music, drama and dancing.

Whatever your favorite pastime, you are sure to find a group of counterparts pursuing it. Bowling leagues, garden clubs, Artists' League, Performing Arts Guild, carnival clubs, an auto club, sororities, business and professional clubs, most major fraternal orders and women's civic clubs are represented here.

"Sportsman's Paradise" aptly describes the Slidell area, with activities embracing all water sports, golf hunting, horseback riding, as well as football and baseball. The new Wildlife and Fisheries' Honey Island Swamp area will provide outstanding hunting and fishing opportunities.

FISHING:

Slidell's location makes it a mecca for all types of fishing. Due to the accessibility to both fresh and salt water, there is an abundance of likely spots to pursue the sport. Lakes Pontchartrain, Borgne, and Catherine offer the challenge of trout, flounder, drum, and croaker. The bayous, marshes and rivers surrounding Slidell afford fresh water varieties. Crabbing and crayfishing are also favorite sports.

HUNTING:

Timberlands, bayous, fields and marshes abound in game to challenge the hunter.

Squirrel, rabbit and deer are plentiful in St. Tammany. Duck hunting is a major sport with several varieties available in large numbers to residents. Duck blinds are a common sight in the lakes, rivers and marshes. Dove and quail hunting are popular sports here.

GOLF:

There are two golf courses in Slidell, with many enthusiasts. Royal Golf Club is located on Airport Road with club house facilities and watered fairways. Pine-wood Country Club, in the residential area, Country Club Estates, has an 18-hole course. The Annual Pine-wood Golf Tournament brings visitors from throughout the south.

SWIMMING:

Proximity to Lake Pontchartrain and the Gulf Coast makes many beaches available for swimmers. There are numerous pools in various subdivisions within the city which have memberships available. Swim teams compete during the summer representing the various swim associations.

FOOTBALL:

Slidell Youth Football Association, a private organization comprised of 104 coaches and assistants, affords a constructive program for boys aged seven through fifteen. This program teaches team effort, cooperation and accomplishment along with proficiency in football and physical fitness.

RECREATION: *continued*

BASEBALL:

The Slidell Bantam League Baseball Association provides opportunity for the youth of Slidell to enjoy a complete baseball program.

HOBBY GROUPS:

Coin Clubs, ceramic groups, karate enthusiasts, square dancers, pilots, rifle and pistol buffs, singers and musicians as well as political clubs are active in the area. Whatever your interest, there is certain to be a group waiting to welcome you.

BOATING:

Boating is a major activity for residents of the area. Skiing, sailing, racing, fishing and cruising are enjoyed by most Slidellians. Many marinas are nearby with facilities. The city park adjacent to the city hall has tennis courts. The new park, Possum Hollow, is a 16-acre tract being developed by the city at a cost of \$75,000.

Fontainebleau State Park is only minutes from Slidell, with facilities for picnicking and sports.

Slidell Summer Recreation Program provides organized recreational activities for children and teens during the summer months. A unique feature of the program is the coordination with Slidell Little Theatre to present a summer production using young talent.

CULTURAL

Ballet, symphony and concerts are brought to the city by the Performing Arts League.

Planning

Slidell has experienced a growth and development surge in the last decade which is unique and complex. Because of good climate, excellent living conditions, availability of land, low building costs and proximity of the Gulf Coast and New Orleans, population has tripled.

The city was faced with a challenge to meet the increased demand for facilities and services. In an effort to utilize available land to best advantage, the Slidell Planning Commission was formed.

This is an advisory board of seven members, appointed by the Mayor and City Council, to serve a seven-year period. They work in conjunction with the St. Tammany Parish Planning Commission, (nine members appointed by the Police Jury for four-year terms). This Parish Commission is organized to plan for land not incorporated in municipalities and to assist in planning incorporation as cities grow.

It is the aim of both commissions to aid in the development of the area, utilizing land to the best advantage.

In 1967, financially aided by a federal grant, a Land Use Study was made by Carter-Horan and Chapin, Community Planners, of Baton Rouge. This was made to determine the size and growth of Slidell (present and future) and to update land use. They made recommendations for projected land use in order to revise and improve existing zoning ordinances. Zoning regulations are prepared by the Planning Commission in accordance with state law. Local zoning ordinances were adopted in 1959.

Appeals are heard by a Board of Zoning Adjustments, comprised of five members, appointed by the Mayor and Council to serve for three years. Zoning ordinances are enforced by the local police department.

PLANNING: *continued*

A book of Zoning Ordinances, Subdivision Regulations, and the Land Use Plan for the City are on file at the office of the City Clerk.

The Master Development Plan for the City was created by placing commercial and industrial areas, residential areas, major roads and services in proper relationship to accommodate present and future needs.

Zoning must be used in order to control development and to keep growth channeled in proper directions. Zoning prevents land abuse, preserves essential land for schools, parks, etc. adjacent to residential areas, and insures economic health by providing land for industrial use. It offers a means of correcting present problems and a guide for future growth patterns in the proper direction.

Chamber of Commerce

The Slidell Chamber of Commerce is an organization of individuals dedicated to making the city of Slidell and the surrounding area a better place in which to live and to work.

Providing civic leadership, defining areas of common concern, searching for solutions to public and private problems, planning for the future, the Slidell Chamber of Commerce is a vital, dynamic organization.

To continue its successful programs of civic improvement, the Chamber of Commerce needs your help and support. If you are not already a member, we cordially invite you to join with us:

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