



ALTERNATIVE OYSTER CULTURE IN LOUISIANA

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Current AOC Status

- Currently 166 acres Enrolled & 7 lease holders
- Aquaculture Parks: 38.7 acres & 16 lease holders
- Hurricane Ida Impacts
- Triple N Oyster Farms






AOC & Aquaculture Park Locations



AOC Leases

Legend

-  AOC
-  Aquaculture Park
-  Oyster Hatchery



Google Earth

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Image Landsat / Copernicus

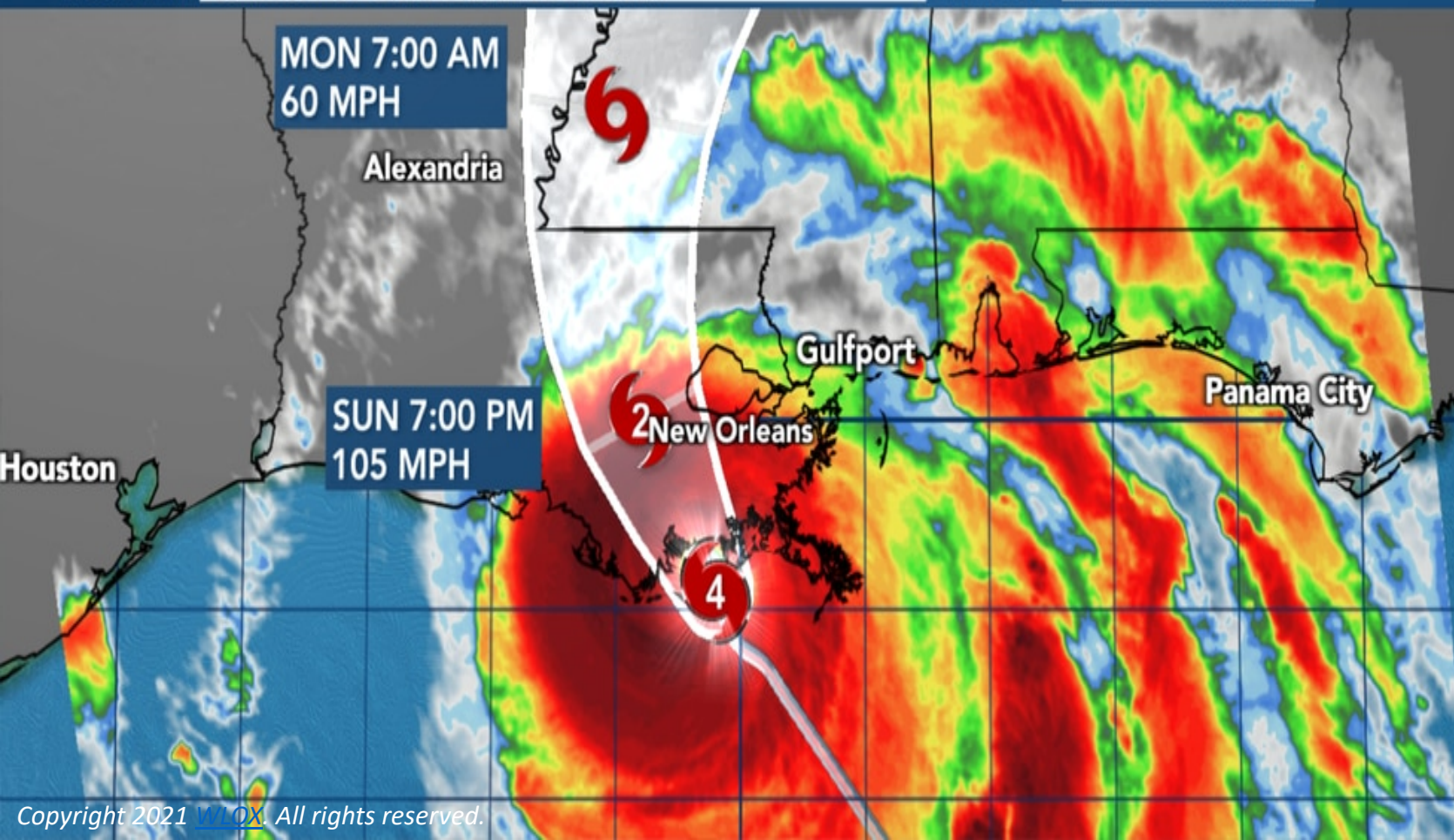
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Hurricane Ida

WLOX
FIRST ALERT

HURRICANE IDA

ADVISORY	11:55 AM	WIND	150 MPH	MOVING	NW at 13 MPH	PRESSURE	930 MILLIBARS
LOCATION	15 MI SW OF GRAND ISLE LOUISIANA					LAT/LON	29.1°N 90.2°W



Louisiana AOC Grants

- Initiative 4 of Louisiana Oyster Management and Rehabilitation Strategic Plan
- 3 years of funding
 - \$1.8M Infrastructure / \$217K in Outreach, Education, & Marketing
- Grants Available
 - AOC Park: Max Grant \$100K / Money Available \$300K / At least 3 Parks
 - AOC Nursery: Max Grant \$15K / Money Available \$150K / At least 10 Nurseries
 - AOC Grow-out: Max Grant \$45K / Money Available \$900K / At least 20 Farms
 - AOC Hatchery: Max Grant \$225K / Money Available \$450K / At least 2 Hatcheries
- 2022 First round of funding expected by next year
 - 1 New AOC Park
 - 1 New Private Hatchery
 - 6 Grow-out Farms
- Additional Information through Louisiana Sea Grant
 - <https://www.laseafoodfuture.com/aoc>



Questions?

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