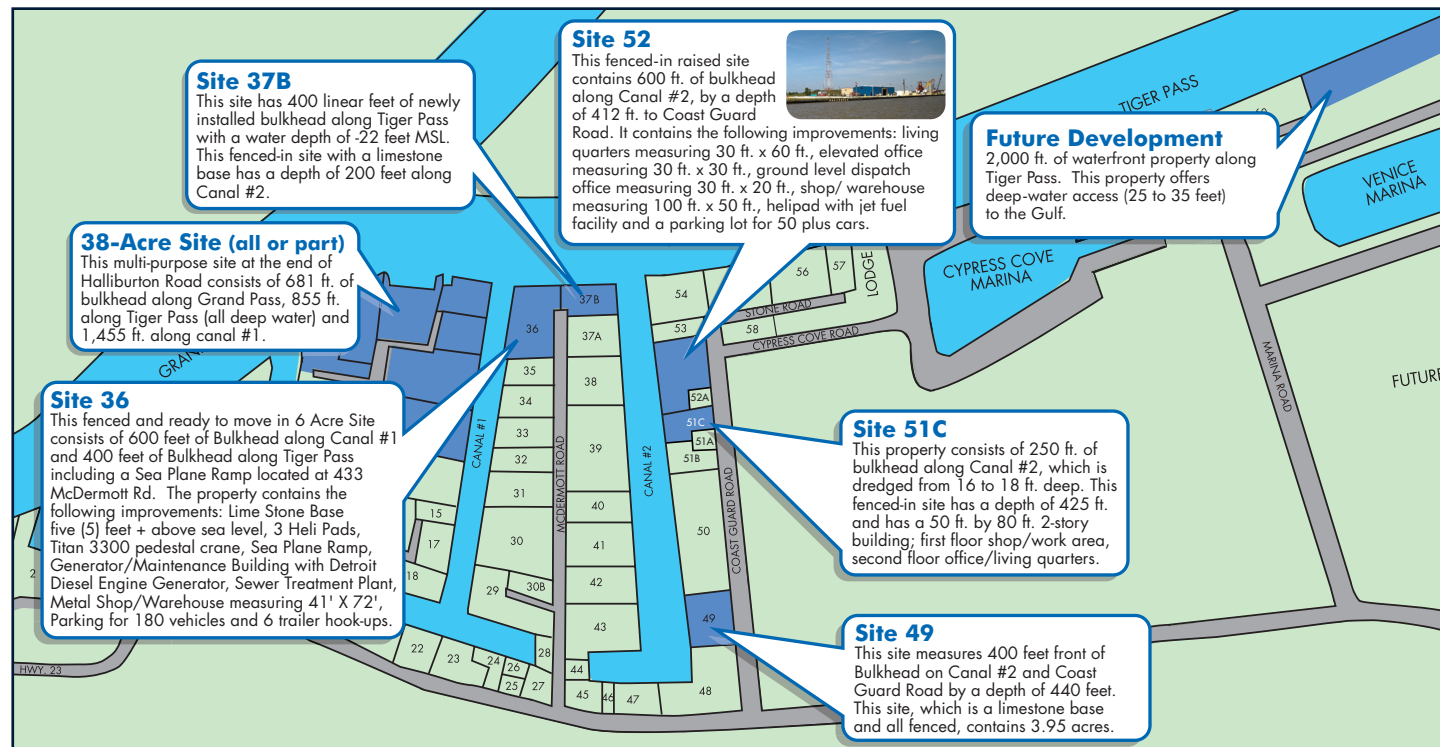




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## Opportunities abound at the VPC

The VPC offers ready to move in properties as well as customizing to meet your company's specific needs.



The Venice Port Complex Report will be published quarterly. If you have any updates or news that you would like to contribute, please contact George Pivach II at 504-392-1830 or [gpivach@veniceportcomplex.com](mailto:gpivach@veniceportcomplex.com) [www.veniceportcomplex.com](http://www.veniceportcomplex.com)



# The VPC Report

FALL 2013

## Well Prepared

It's been a little over a year since Hurricane Isaac gave Plaquemines Parish a harsh reminder as to why we are preparing and building stronger in Plaquemines Parish. The VPC is excited to report on a number of projects that will reduce our vulnerability to storms and help better prepare us for what mother nature can throw our way.

The \$671 million Plaquemines Parish Non-Federal Levee project, which includes raising and strengthening more than 23 miles of Plaquemines Parish's levees on the west bank of the Mississippi River is in progress. The first phase is underway to protect Highway 23 all the way to the VPC during tropical events. When the project is completed, the levees will be part of the New Orleans to Venice, Louisiana Federal Levee System.

A great improvement for storm defense is raising the 7-mile stretch of Highway 23 near Myrtle Grove to prevent flooding during tropical events. This project is nearing completion.

Phase 2 of raising Tidewater Road from Coast Guard Road to the Targa plant + 5-MSL is progressing well ahead of schedule with an anticipated completion date in the First Quarter of 2014.

Another exciting project that will

combat storm surge is the The Lake Hermitage Marsh Creation Project. At a cost of \$40 million, this project will help build around 650 acres of new land by pumping sediment directly from the Mississippi River.

I would like to congratulate Maynard J. "Sandy" Sanders, who was named Executive Director of the Plaquemines Parish Port Authority. He is currently in negotiations to purchase 550 acres of Citrus Lands property, so the port will have room to expand to reach its full potential. Plans for the port also include extending and adding a rail system.

We are now preparing for our 7th annual Thanksgiving basket drive. Last year we were able to help over 300 families in South Plaquemines. If you would like to contribute, please contact Tony Frickey, VPC Site Supervisor at 504-382-7049.

Lastly, I welcome Berry Bros as our newest tenant to the VPC. Please continue to read more about the VPC and its tenants on the inside of this newsletter.

  
George Pivach II  
Venice Port Complex Vice President and General Counsel



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## INDUSTRY UPDATES

### Deep South Oilfield Construction



In May 2013, Madere & Sons Towing took their services to new heights. After 31 years of hard work and dedication to the marine towing industry, the Madere's expanded their operation with an inland marine construction company. With the support of his brother Gene and their father Al, Chad Madere's vision of this new endeavor came to life.

Deep South Oilfield Construction, LLC, based in Venice, LA, presently occupies approximately 300 feet of dock space. Future plans include expanding the dock to accommodate customers' needs. Available equipment currently consists of one construction barge outfitted with a 60 ton crane, a five man crew, and fully facilitated living quarters. The barge is navigated by a 600 horsepower twin screw tugboat, staffed with a licensed captain. State of the art technology, such as a satellite phone, internet capabilities, and email access allows the crew to connect with the customer no matter where the job is located.

Pile driving, pipe lining, bulk heading, platform construction, welding, and consulting are the many services Deep South Oilfield Construction, LLC offer. Together with Madere & Sons Towing, Inc., They strive to satisfy their customers in the oilfield industry.

For more information, please contact Chad Madere at (504) 657-8283.



### Grand Isle Shipyard, Inc.

The Grand Isle Shipyard, Inc. (GIS) has been in business since 1948. They offer a wide variety of services, including: Fabrication and Dockside services, Environmental Cleaning, Safety & Training, Construction & Maintenance Crews, Instrumentation & Electrical Division, Scaffolding Crews, Project Management, Offshore Production Operators, Basket Rentals and much more.

The GIS Venice facility offers a full selection of quality heavy lift equipment at competitive rates. With a 200 Ton 777 Manitowoc Crawler Crane and 80 ton crane, they are equipped to handle industrial load-out needs. They also have 36,000 lb and 8,000 lb capacity forklifts

for optimal yard mobility. GIS looks forward to serving Venice for all production & drilling operations, compressor load outs, tubular load outs, and many other services tailored to the Oil & Gas industry.

Our new expanded Venice dockside facility is located at 310 McDermott Road and covers approximately 8 acres located on Slip #2. The GIS Venice facility boasts 700 feet of bulkhead. Their facility offers secure parking for up to 250 vehicles, an open yard configuration, ample storage with on-site lube, fuel and water.

For more information call 504-534-7744, or visit gisy.com.



### Newman Crane Service, Inc.



One of the longest term tenants at the VPC, Newman Crane Service, Inc. has been servicing the petrochemical industry for over 50 years. NCS has been under the same family ownership since its inception in 1959 and continues to flourish in an ever changing environment. Safety is paramount at NCS. Over the years, Newman Crane has been providing loading and unloading operations and boast the fastest turnaround rates in Venice for your offshore shipping needs. The company has a committed staff from the top down. We have some of the most experienced employees in our area. All customers are treated equal and ALL receive the highest level of service. From acid jobs to full drilling projects, everyone that passes through our facility is taken care of in a timely fashion. Service is available 24 hours a day to handle your difficult projects. Just ask around and find out about

our service for yourself. We have an extensive list of clients and, odds are, your company is already in the system. Now, thanks to the VPC and their ongoing infrastructure improvements, Venice is finally ready to be a true contender in the Eastern Gulf. At Newman Crane, our motto is "bring it" and you won't be disappointed if you do. You can check out our company website at [www.newmancrane.com](http://www.newmancrane.com) or call our Venice office at 504-534-7507 to talk to George Collins or John Olson.

