

**Preliminary agenda**  
**Meeting of the National Research Council Committee on**  
**Increasing National Resilience to Hazards and Disasters**  
**January 18-21, 2011**  
**Louisiana and Mississippi**

**Meeting base: Astor Crowne Plaza Hotel**  
**739 Canal Street at Bourbon, New Orleans**

**Please indicate your intent to attend one or more parts of this meeting to Eric Edkin**  
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**Tuesday, January 18<sup>th</sup>**

*Open session / "Grand A" room\*, Astor Crowne Plaza Hotel / 1730-1830 hours*  
**1730-1830**    **Craig Colten, Louisiana State University, Keynote presentation**  
                  *"Forgetting the Unforgettable: Social Memory and Resilience in New Orleans"*

\*Limited room space for this open session; please indicate your intent to attend this presentation to Eric Edkin ([eedkin@nas.edu](mailto:eedkin@nas.edu)); attendance will be permitted as long as space is available

**1830-1930    Committee Dinner**

*End of open session*

*Closed session / 1930-2030, Committee and NRC staff only*

*End of closed session*

**Wednesday, January 19<sup>th</sup>**

*Closed session / 0700-0745 hours, Committee and NRC staff only, working breakfast*

*End of closed session*

*Open session<sup>1</sup> / Bus / 0800-1700*  
**0800-1130**    **New Orleans, guided by Dr. Pam Jenkins, University of New Orleans**

Details of stops to follow. Trip will include visit to the Holy Cross neighborhood, with guidance from Doug Meffert, Tulane University; visit to Lower 9<sup>th</sup> Ward and visit to New Orleans East.

**1130-1230    Drive to Waveland, Mississippi**

**1230-1500    Visit stops in Waveland, Gulfport, and Biloxi, Mississippi**

Details of stops to follow. Local guides are engaged.

**1500-1700    Discussion (in meeting room of a local facility in Gulfport or Biloxi)**

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Discussion about resilience topics with ~6-8 invited, local individuals/groups (including NGOs, local government officials, university researchers). Individuals currently being confirmed.

*End of open session*

***Committee return to New Orleans by bus—arrive ca. 1900 at Astor Crowne Plaza Hotel.***

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**Thursday, January 20<sup>th</sup>**  
Workshop | "Toulouse A&B" room | 0715 – 1730

***Closed session / "Toulouse A&B" room, Astor Crowne Plaza Hotel / 0715-0815***  
Committee, staff, and facilitators only; working breakfast

*End of closed session*

***Open session / Toulouse A&B / 0830-1730***  
0830-0845      Welcome and opening remarks

**Susan Cutter,**  
Committee chair

0845-0930      **Keynote presentation**  
Allison Plyer, Greater New Orleans Community Data Center  
*Title TBD*

0940–1500      **Panel sessions (5)**  
Facilitated by Ann Olsen, Meridian Institute

0940-1025      **Business-Insurance-Real Estate panel**  
Eric Nelson – Travelers Insurance  
Julie Rochman – Institute for Business and Home Safety  
Ommeed Sathe -- Director of Real Estate Strategy, New Orleans  
Redevelopment agency

**1025-1040      Break**

1040-1125      **Critical Infrastructure panel**  
Marcia St. Martin – Water and Sewage Board  
NN – Entergy Corporation (confirmed, awaiting name of individual)  
NN – Verizon Wireless (confirmed, awaiting name of individual)

1130-1215      **Governance panel**  
Earthea Nance – University of New Orleans  
Bill Stallworth – Executive Director/Councilman East Biloxi  
Coordination and Relief Center/Biloxi City Council  
Stephen Murphy – Section Planning Chief, City of New Orleans Office  
of Homeland Security and Emergency Response (awaiting final  
confirmation)

**1215-1315      Lunch**

**1315-1400      Healthy Populations and Responsive Institutions panel**

**Joseph Donchess** – Louisiana Nursing Home Association  
**Knox Andress** – Emergency Preparedness Director, Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center  
**Anthony Speier** – Deputy Assistant Secretary, Office of Behavioral Health, Louisiana  
**Paul Byers** – Mississippi State Department of Health

**1405-1450** **Social Capital panel**  
**Natalie Jayroe** – CEO Greater New Orleans and Acadiana Food Bank  
**Pam Jenkins** – University of New Orleans  
**Steven Bingler** – Concordia

**1450-1510** *Break*

**1510-1630** **Breakout sessions**

Committee, panelists, and audience move to one of five breakout sessions, representing each of the five panels

**1630-1730** **Plenary session**

*End of open session*

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**Friday, January 21<sup>st</sup>**  
**Closed session | "St. Louis" Room | 0800 – 1400**  
**Committee and NRC staff only**

*End of closed session and end of meeting*