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RESOURCE CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT COUNCILS
2010 REGIONAL MEETING

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Register Now!

2010 Southeast Regional RC&D Meeting

September 22 - 25, 2010
Beau Rivage Resort and Casino
Biloxi, Mississippi

Resource

Involving people in
grassroots planning
and community
development

Conservation

Exploring, educating
and promoting wise
use of natural
resources

Development

Fostering rural and
economic growth



Registration Form

2010 SOUTHEAST REGIONAL RC&D MEETING

SEPTEMBER 22-25, 2010
BEAU RIVAGE RESORT AND CASINO
BILOXI, MS

Please print and fill in all blanks:

Name: _____

Title: _____

Organization: _____

Business Address: _____

City: _____ County: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Do you have any dietary or physical constraints that we should be aware of?

CONFERENCE FEES:

One-Day Registration: Includes General Session, Awards Luncheon, Afternoon Session and Break \$80.00

Deadline for pre-registration is August 16, 2010.

Basic Registration

Includes: President's Reception, Daily Breakfast Buffet, Awards Luncheon, Thursday Afternoon Breaks, Tour, and Friday Night Banquet.

<input type="checkbox"/> Basic Registration	Before 8-16-10	After 8-16-10
	\$325.00	\$350.00

Guest Registration

Includes: President's Reception, Friday tour, and Friday night banquet.

<input type="checkbox"/> Guest Registration	\$140.00	\$150.00
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Name of Guest: _____

HOTEL INFORMATION:

	Code	Phone #	Cost	Reservation Deadline
Beau Rivage	SE RC&D	1-888-567-6667	\$149.00	August 23, 2010
Best Western	MS RCD	1-800-591-9057	\$ 79.00	September 1, 2010

PAYMENT INFORMATION:

Your Registration Fee \$ _____

Guest Registration Fee \$ _____

Grand Total \$ _____

Check Enclosed

Made payable to: MARCDC

Visa

MasterCard

Card Number _____ Expiration Date _____

Authorized Signature _____

Cardholder Address _____

Tour Choice #1 _____

Tour Choice #2 _____

Tour Choice #3 _____

Mail or fax requests to:

MARCDC

PO Box 506

Perkinston, MS 39573

www.msrdc.org

(601) 528-5133 ext. 2

REFUND/CANCELATION POLICY:

Cancellation of registration must be received in writing no later than Sept. 1, and is subject to a \$50 handling fee. No partial or full refund will be made after that date. If you are unable to attend, you may send a substitute. You must notify Mississippi Association of RC&D Councils of substitute's name. Returned checks are subject to a \$25 fee.



Tour Information

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Grand Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve & Mississippi Sandhill Crane National Wildlife Refuge

**WALKING SHOES, INSECT REPELLANT AND SUNSCREEN
NEEDED FOR THIS TOUR!**

Located where the rivers meet the sea-where salt and fresh-water mix to form brackish water. With 18,000 acres, this reserve contains wetland habitats unique to the coastal zone. These habitats support many important species of fish and wildlife.

The Mississippi Sandhill Crane National Wildlife Refuge is one of more than 540 national wildlife refuges administered by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. Established in 1975, monitored year-round, and consisting of more than 19,000 acres, the refuge safeguards the endangered Mississippi Sandhill Crane habitat. You will hear the history of the refuge, visit exhibits, and take a walk along the bayou to see nesting sites.

Pascagoula River Swamp Tour & Mississippi Sandhill Crane National Wildlife Refuge

**WALKING SHOES, INSECT REPELLANT AND SUNSCREEN
NEEDED FOR THIS TOUR!**

Travel through old growth swamps and marshes of the Pascagoula River, one of the last free flowing rivers in the upper 48 states. You will see wildlife including migratory birds, alligators, and shore and water birds, their habitats and hear about the biodiversity of the Pascagoula River Basin.

**SEE ABOVE FOR A DESCRIPTION OF THE SANDHILL
CRANE NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE**

Beauvoir/Ocean Springs

Regarded by many as a confederate shrine, Beauvoir (French for beautiful view) was built in 1848 and was the final home of Jefferson Davis. The complex includes: two museums, the Confederate Museum and the Davis Family Gallery; a Confederate cemetery containing the Tomb of the Unknown Confederate Soldier; and a series of nature trails through the lush gardens. A short ride away is the water front community of Ocean Springs where you are free to enjoy shopping at its best in the quaint and beautiful historic downtown area.

Maritime and Seafood Industry Museum & a Biloxi Schooner Tour

Containing hundreds of one-of-a-kind artifacts of the historic Biloxi seafood industry, the Maritime & Seafood Industry Museum preserves the maritime heritage of Biloxi and the Mississippi Gulf Coast, telling a story from the time of the first Indian residents and bringing to life local maritime history and heritage. After your visit through the museum, step on board an authentic replica of an 1800 era Biloxi oyster schooner for a 2 1/2 hour sail around the barrier islands of the Gulf Coast.

Crosby Arboretum/Stennis Space Center

**PHOTO I.D.'S ARE REQUIRED FOR ENTRY. DON'T GET
LEFT ON THE BUS!**

Dedicated to educating the public about their environment, the Crosby Arboretum carries out this mission by preserving, protecting, and displaying plants native to the Pearl River Drainage Basin ecosystem. The Arboretum displays three basic habitats found in this ecosystem; Savanna, Woodlands and Aquatic in a 104 acre interpretive site.

Begin the next portion of this tour at the Launch Pad of NASA Stennis Space Center, the nations largest rocket propulsion testing complex where you will enjoy a video presentation, a self guided tour of the museum and scheduled time in the outdoor exhibit area.

New Orleans French Quarter/9th Ward Katrina Tour

The tour will consist of leaving the Mississippi Tourist Center and traveling to the French Quarters of New Orleans. In route to New Orleans, discussions will be held about Louisiana's recovery efforts through their Emergency Watershed Program. The tour will take a break (2 - 3 hours) in the French Quarter of New Orleans for cultural development. After leaving the Quarters, the group will tour Lower Ninth Ward to view recovery efforts. The return to Mississippi will be via Hwy 90. There the group will see recovery efforts along the coast from Hurricane Katrina.



Southeastern Association of RC&D Councils
 September 22-25, 2010
 Beau Rivage Resort & Casino, Biloxi Mississippi

Tentative Conference Agenda

Wednesday, September 22, 2010	
2:00 pm to 6:00 pm 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm	Conference Registration Presidents Reception on the Outdoor Terrace
Thursday, September 23, 2010	
8:30 am to 11:30 am	Opening General Session
11:45 am to 1:00 pm	Awards Luncheon Speaker: Stephen Kirkpatrick, Wildlife Photographer
1:15 pm to 5:15 pm	Afternoon Session (Ends with Success Stories)
	Dinner on your own – Explore the Mississippi Gulf Coast! Restaurant list-ings and directions will be provided.
Friday, September 24, 2010	
7:30 am to 8:30 am	Coordinators Training
8:30 am	New Orleans Tour departs
8:30 am to 9:00 am	General Session Success Stories
9:30 am	All Tours Depart
5:30 pm	Silent Auction Closes
6:30 pm	Banquet with Entertainment on the Outdoor Terrace
Saturday, September 25, 2010	
9:00 am to 10:30 am	Southeastern General Membership meeting

NOTE: The Beau Rivage does not provide coffee pots in the rooms, you may want to bring your own!

**AIRPORTS: Gulfport-Biloxi International Airport – Continental, Delta, American, US Air
 New Orleans Louis Armstrong International Airport, Louisiana
 Mobile Regional Airport, Alabama**