

TABLE ONE: Louisiana Strategic Adaptations for Future Environments (LA SAFE) Adaptation Strategies Goal 2 Summary.¹

GOAL 2: HOUSING AND DEVELOPMENT

Parishes	Strategies	Actions
Regional	<u>Strategy 1</u> : Encourage elevation of homes based on current and future flood risk.	<p><u>Action A</u>: Require all new development or substantial rehabilitations of existing properties be built to two feet above the base flood elevation for a 100-year flood or to the 500-year floodplain.</p> <p><u>Action B</u>: Develop equitable financial incentives and education to assist with home elevations and ensure elevation support for all residents.</p> <p><u>Action C</u>: Include weatherization programs and wind fortification, extreme heat, and seismic upgrades with home elevations to address multiple risk factors.</p> <p><u>Action D</u>: Develop an education and marketing program to encourage pier-and-beam construction.</p>
	<u>Strategy 2</u> : Plan for future development based on risk typologies (i.e., low, moderate, and high flood risk) with mixed-use residential growth in low risk areas.	<p><u>Action A</u>: Create small area plans to accommodate future development in low risk areas.</p> <p><u>Action B</u>: Develop zoning incentives to attract mixed-used development in low risk areas.</p> <p><u>Action C</u>: Create an optional buyout program for full-time residents in high risk areas.</p> <p><u>Action D</u>: Ensure demolition at the end of life of commercial developments in high risk areas upon long-term vacancy.</p>
	<u>Strategy 3</u> : Identify ways to address insurance affordability.	<p><u>Action A</u>: Analyze the feasibility for Louisiana to leave the National Flood Insurance Program and develop its own flood insurance program.</p> <p><u>Action B</u>: Provide support and incentives to communities in the floodplain for participation in the Federal Emergency Management Agency’s Community Rating System.</p>

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Jefferson	<u>Strategy 1</u> : Encourage dense, sustainable, mixed-use development on higher ground.	<u>Action A</u> : Restrict development in high risk areas to recreational, fishing, and coastal/water-based business support uses. <u>Action B</u> : Prepare areas on higher ground for increased concentrations of development. <u>Action C</u> : Create a housing relocation fund. <u>Action D</u> : Repurpose unused properties and retrofit existing developments and amenities.
	<u>Strategy 2</u> : Create and maintain a diverse and resilient housing stock for people at all income levels.	<u>Action A</u> : Expand affordable housing and senior housing. <u>Action B</u> : Create a more resilient housing stock throughout the parish. <u>Action C</u> : Increase housing choices. <u>Action D</u> : As growth occurs, maintain and enhance the parish's existing diverse communities. <u>Action E</u> : Expand access to legal help for low-income homeowners with title issues.
Lafourche	<u>Strategy 1</u> : Concentrate development and redevelopment to maximize access to transportation options, housing, recreation, education, retail, and employment.	<u>Action A</u> : Continue to implement the Lafourche Parish Comprehensive Resiliency Plan. <u>Action B</u> : Develop a small area plan for the region around Thibodaux. <u>Action C</u> : Develop a small area plan for Larose. <u>Action D</u> : Continue repurposing unused properties.
	<u>Strategy 2</u> : Encourage housing and commercial development within and around existing communities.	<u>Action A</u> : Create a plan to assess the growth potential for the Mathews-to-Thibodaux corridor, identifying areas for concentrated development. <u>Action B</u> : Create a plan to assess development potential and establish development guidelines at US 90 nodes. <u>Action C</u> : Establish a Housing Relocation Assistance Fund.
	<u>Strategy 3</u> : Diversify housing options and encourage the use of historic building types to increase resilience.	<u>Action A</u> : Adopt resiliency design standards for residential and commercial construction. <u>Action B</u> : Increase the supply of affordable and multifamily housing without sacrificing aesthetics or compatibility with existing neighborhoods and communities.

Plaquemines	<u>Strategy 1</u> : Encourage housing and commercial development on higher ground.	<u>Action A</u> : Prepare areas of higher ground for increased concentrations of development. <u>Action B</u> : Develop a housing incentive program to encourage development on higher ground. Consider reusing unused properties.
	<u>Strategy 2</u> : Create a downtown Belle Chasse with amenities that will attract and retain youth in the parish.	<u>Action A</u> : Improve streetscape and public realm amenities within Belle Chasse. <u>Action B</u> : Create more opportunities for street life and active uses. <u>Action C</u> : Develop a comprehensive open space plan. <u>Action D</u> : Build upon existing wayfinding and public art programs to incorporate art and culture into the district's signage and public spaces.
	<u>Strategy 3</u> : Plan for clustered, concentrated communities with multiple lines of defense features.	<u>Action A</u> : Create community centers that can be sustained over the long term. <u>Action B</u> : Study current community assets and future needs. <u>Action C</u> : Evaluate and adapt corridor transportation infrastructure.
St. John the Baptist	<u>Strategy 1</u> : Direct growth to lower-risk areas on higher ground.	<u>Action A</u> : Adopt policies and incentives to direct growth and development toward the east and west bank areas on higher ground. <u>Action B</u> : Create a housing incentive program to encourage development on higher ground. <u>Action C</u> : Protect undeveloped low-lying land from development and increase green buffer zones. <u>Action D</u> : Update zoning to establish growth districts. <u>Action E</u> : Address residential-industrial adjacency issues.
	<u>Strategy 2</u> : Provide a range of housing and development types and develop neighborhoods that promote health and help manage stormwater.	<u>Action A</u> : Provide a range of housing and development types, styles, and price points to accommodate all ages and income groups by increasing housing density in targeted areas. <u>Action B</u> : Increase the supply of affordable and multifamily housing without sacrificing aesthetics or compatibility with existing neighborhoods. <u>Action C</u> : Plan for well-located new neighborhoods that are walkable and connected to amenities, shopping, and services. Revise development regulations to incorporate smart-growth principles that create walkable, healthy communities while also supporting parish water management goals.
	<u>Strategy 3</u> : Address environmental degradation to improve air quality, water quality, and address legacy pollution.	<u>Action A</u> : Negotiate land remediation actions with industries so that land can be reused in the future. <u>Action B</u> : Inventory areas with known environmental degradation concerns and identify remediation measures needed.

St. Tammany	<u>Strategy 1</u> : Encourage focused, mixed-use development patterns to promote public health through walkable/bikeable neighborhoods.	<u>Action A</u> : Restrict development in high risk areas. <u>Action B</u> : Encourage higher-density, multi-generational, residential, and mixed-use developments. <u>Action C</u> : Consider repurposing unused properties. <u>Action D</u> : As growth occurs, maintain and enhance the parish’s existing diverse communities. Protect natural assets and guide development.
	<u>Strategy 2</u> : Create and maintain a diverse and resilient housing stock for people at all income levels.	<u>Action A</u> : Expand affordable and senior housing. <u>Action B</u> : Create a housing incentive program to encourage development on higher ground. <u>Action C</u> : Increase housing choices. <u>Action D</u> : Expand access to legal help for low-income homeowners with title issues.
Terrebonne	<u>Strategy 1</u> : Encourage housing and commercial development on higher ground.	<u>Action A</u> : Prepare areas of higher ground for increased concentrations of development. <u>Action B</u> : Develop a housing incentive program to encourage development on higher ground. <u>Action C</u> : Consider repurposing unused properties.
	<u>Strategy 2</u> : Continue revitalization of downtown Houma.	<u>Action A</u> : Develop a comprehensive open space plan. <u>Action B</u> : Improve streetscape and public realm amenities within downtown. <u>Action C</u> : Create more opportunities for street life and active uses. <u>Action D</u> : Build upon existing wayfinding and public art programs to incorporate art and culture into the district’s signage and public places.
	<u>Strategy 3</u> : Plan for a Houma-Thibodaux growth corridor.	<u>Action A</u> : Develop a corridor plan along LA 24 and US 90. <u>Action B</u> : Study development potential at US 90 nodes. <u>Action C</u> : Evaluate and improve corridor transportation infrastructure.