

## **Status Tuesday, September 16, 2008**

### **9:00 am**

This is “third hand” news - - that is I got it from someone who heard it from his father-in-law who heard it from a Grand Isle resident. I pass it along to you since I thought it was legitimate and certainly relevant.

The GI resident stayed through Hurricane Ike and reports that about a foot of water got into the bottom of the father-in-law’s camp which is located close to LA 1, near the street that went to the old Estay Shrimp Dock (near the water tower). Further he noted that a breach in the levee did occur on the eastern end, near the State Park. He also noted that the western part of the island took the brunt of the blow from Hurricane Ike with overwash and waves that took apart a lot of the emergency levee that had been constructed on the Gulf side near Bridgeside Marina.

### **1:00 pm**

**Subject:** Ike's Intensity from a Texas off-shore oil man

For those that were wondering, metocean data from a platform in the Green Canyon area (offshore Louisiana) recorded wave heights of around 44 feet and winds of 130 mph, which was indicated to be higher than either Katrina or Rita. Ike was a lot nastier than anyone thought.

### **2:00 pm**

Contact on the island reports about 4’ of water at the Mayor’s office during Hurricane Ike – still have water on the island that is being pumped off. Residents are being convoyed onto the island in increments and they are convoying them off too. Trying to avoid any traffic that interferes with Entergy activities and moving sand from the roads back to the beach. Water is on throughout most of the island; they are beginning to pressure check gas; and expect electricity back by October 1. Still up in the air as to when they will allow residents and camp owners on the island – trying to avoid interference with infrastructure restoration on the island. Mayor David Camardelle has issued a proclamation which is listed on the Friends of Grand Isle web site. That is at [www.friendsofgrandisle.com](http://www.friendsofgrandisle.com).