

## Atchafalaya Basin Reading List:

Here are some books that should interest you  
if you want to know more about the Atchafalaya Basin,  
the Mississippi River, Coastal Louisiana,  
or wild Louisiana in general.

### NEW! - The Atchafalaya River Basin:

#### History and Ecology of an American Watershed;

by Bryan Piazza; 2014; Texas A&M University Press

– a scientific look at the Basin from the Nature Conservancy's Director of Fresh-water and Marine Science. – A wealth of technical information and environmental perspective...

### Bayou-Diversity:

#### Nature And People in the Louisiana Bayou Country;

by Kelby Ouchley; 2011; LSU Press

- a naturalist's view of the Bayou Country, from Monroe to the Atchafalaya Basin

### Designing the Bayous:

#### The Control of Water in the Atchafalaya Basin, 1800-1995;

(Paperback) by Martin Reuss; 2004; Texas A&M Press

- a history of the people, politics and economics of modifying the Atchafalaya Basin

### Father Mississippi:

#### The Story of the Great Flood of 1927;

(Paperback) by Lyle Saxon; 2000; Pelican Publishing

- one of Louisiana's most important writers; directed the state WPA Writers Project; a cultural view of the Great Flood

### Rising Tide:

#### The Great Mississippi Flood and How It Changed America;

(Paperback) by John M. Barry; 1998; Simon & Schuster

– an enlightening view of the challenges of dealing with the great River

### Lords of the Basin:

#### History of the Lost Village...Atchafalaya;

(Plastic Comb binding) by Kenneth Delcambre; 1987; (Self-published?)

– One used copy shows on Amazon for \$175, but ULL Library has a copy that is available through LA interlibrary loan.) – words and pictures documenting life in the swamp before and after the levees; observations on the trials and tribulations of dealing with nature's power

### The Control of Nature;

(Paperback) by John McPhee; 1990; Straus & Giroux

– devotes a third of the book to describing the Corps of Engineers' battle with the Mississippi and the Atchafalaya



### Friends of the Atchafalaya

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<http://www.atchafalaya.info>

## Internet Links to Groups

## Active in the Atchafalaya Basin:

### Government Agencies:

#### Atchafalaya Basin Program

<http://dnr.louisiana.gov/atchafalaya>

#### Atchafalaya National Heritage Area

<http://Atchafalaya.org>

#### US Army Corps of Engineers

<http://www.mvn.usace.army.mil>

#### US Fish & Wildlife Service

<http://www.fws.gov/southeast>

#### US Geological Survey

<http://www.nwrc.usgs.gov>

#### US Coast Guard

<http://www.uscg.mil/d8/msuBatonRouge>

#### US Nat. Resources Conservation Svc.

<http://www.nrcs.usda.gov>

#### US Parks Service

<http://www.nps.gov/state/la>

#### LA Dept. of Wildlife & Fisheries

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#### Atchafalaya Levee District

<http://www.albl.org/members1.htm#atchafalaya>

#### LA Dept. of Natural Resources

<http://dnr.louisiana.gov>

#### LA Office of State Parks

<http://www.crt.state.la.us/louisiana-state-parks/index>

#### LA Dept. of Culture Rec. & Tourism

<http://www.crt.state.la.us>

#### LA Dept. of Environmental Quality

<http://www.deq.louisiana.gov>

#### LA Office of State Lands

<http://www.doa.louisiana.gov/slo>

#### LA Coastal Protection & Restoration Authority

<http://coastal.la.gov/>

#### LA Dept. of Health & Hospitals

<http://new.dhh.louisiana.gov>

#### Departments of 14 Parish Governing Bodies

<http://louisiana.gov> (choose a parish)

### Educational:

#### University of Louisiana at Lafayette

<http://ccet.louisiana.edu/>

<http://biology.ucs.louisiana.edu/>

...and more at [louisiana.edu](http://louisiana.edu)

#### Louisiana State University

[http://www.lsuagcenter.com/en/our\\_offices/](http://www.lsuagcenter.com/en/our_offices/)

departments/Renewable\_Natural\_Resources/

<http://ga.lsu.edu/labs/srcc/>

...and more at [lsu.edu](http://lsu.edu)

#### Nicholls State University

<http://www.nicholls.edu/biology/>

<http://www.nicholls.edu/bayousphere>

<http://www.nicholls.edu/culinary/>

...and more at [nicholls.edu](http://nicholls.edu)

### Non-Government:

#### Friends of the Atchafalaya

<http://www.atchafalaya.info>

#### Atchafalaya BasinKeeper

<http://basinkeeper.org>

#### Louisiana Wildlife Federation

<http://www.lawildlifefed.org>

#### National Wildlife Federation

<http://www.nwf.org>

#### National Audubon Society

<http://la.audubon.org>

#### Sierra Club

<http://lasierraclub.org>

#### The Nature Conservancy

<http://www.nature.org>

#### Black Bear Conservation Coalition

<http://www.bbccc.org>

#### Coalition to Restore Coastal Louisiana

<http://www.crcl.org>

#### LA Environmental Action Network

<http://leanweb.org>

#### Evangeline Area Council,BSA

<http://www.bsaswampbase.org/>