

What Does Louisiana Do With All That Water?

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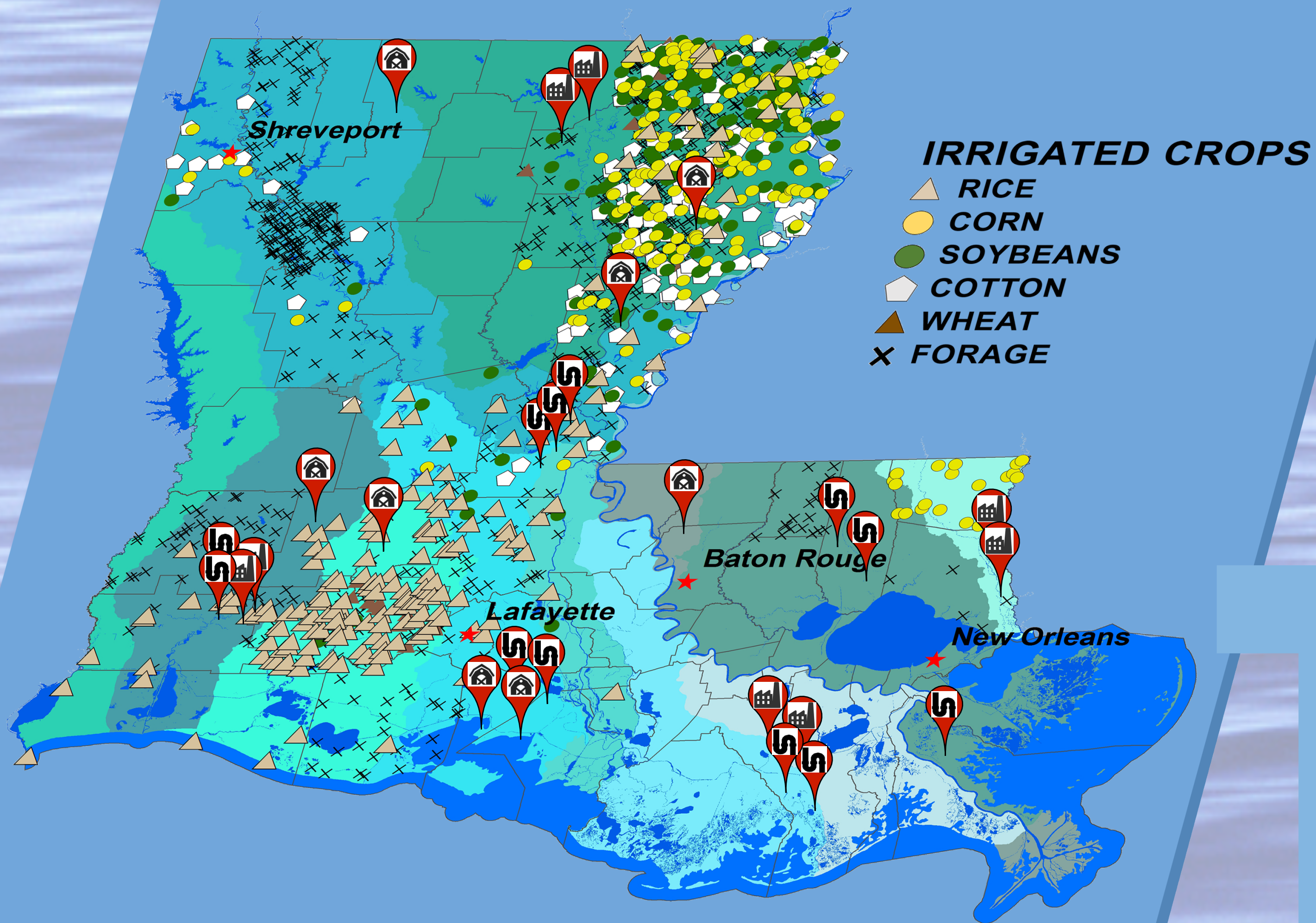
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Louisiana has 17.5% of its land surface covered in water, 11 major freshwater aquifers, and receives an average of 60 inches of precipitation every year. Despite these figures, Louisiana's water needs are growing, making the preservation of water quality and quantity of utmost importance.

Important functions our waters serve include drinking water, power generation, industrial production, irrigation, navigation, tourism and recreation, and ecosystem preservation. Increasing demands on aquifers have led to serious declines, subsidence, and saltwater intrusion in several of our major aquifers.

In addition, heavy precipitation makes Louisiana's surface waters especially prone to nonpoint source pollution. Clean surface water provides freshwater alternatives to increasingly stressed aquifers, making water conservation and preservation major goals in managing Louisiana's water.

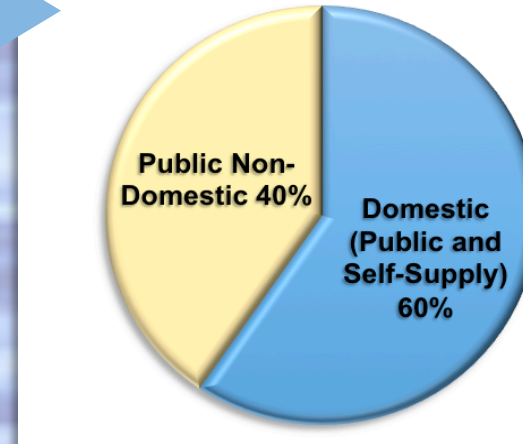
LOUISIANA WATERSHEDS & CROP COVER



6,900 million gallons/day

Public Supply and Self-Withdrawals

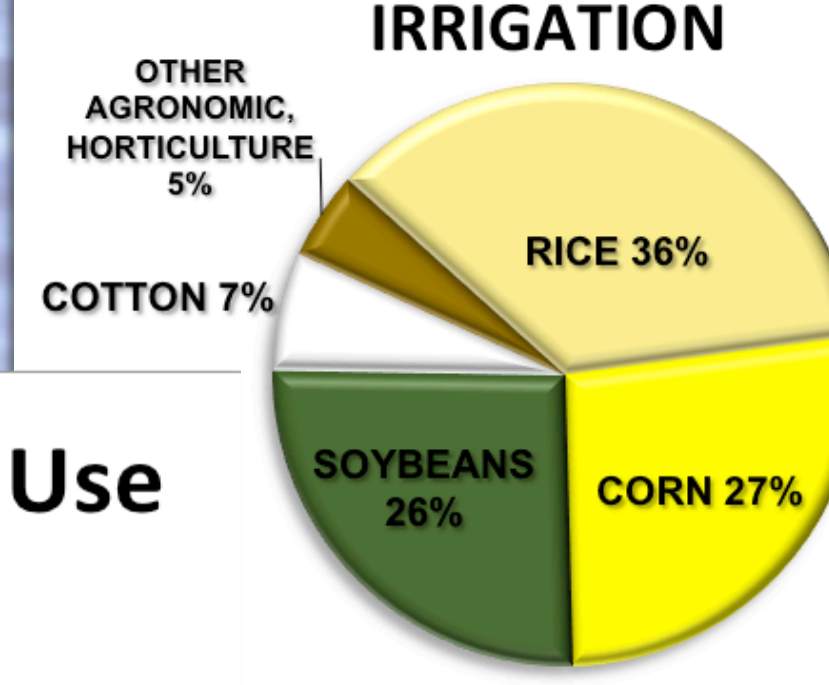
368 MGD
5%



How Do We Compare?

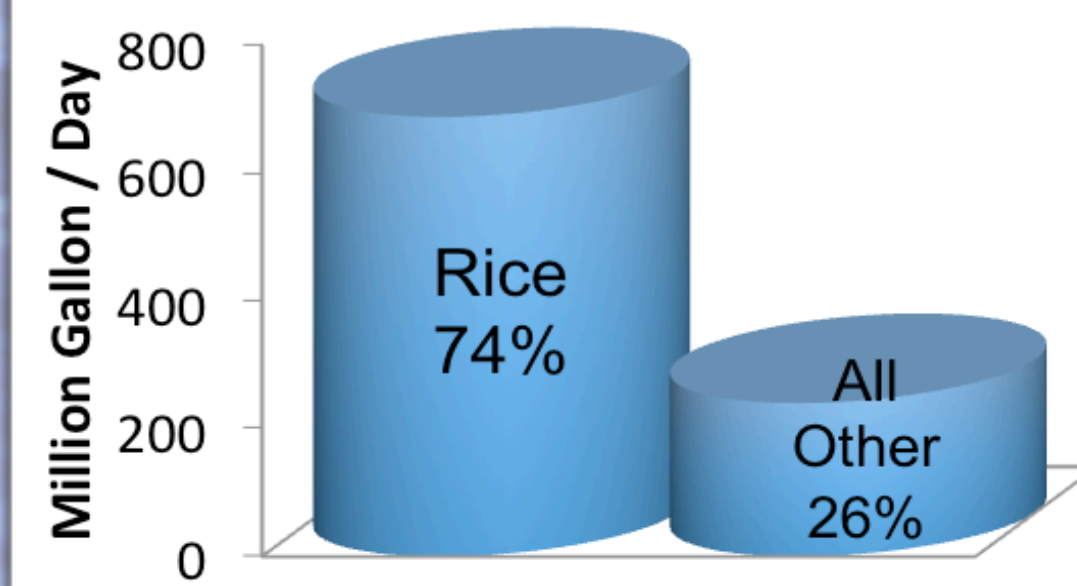
State	Per Capita Domestic Use (gal/day/person)
Louisiana	104
Idaho	168
Utah	167
Arizona	147
Hawaii	144

ACRES UNDER IRRIGATION



258 MGD
4%

Irrigation Water Use

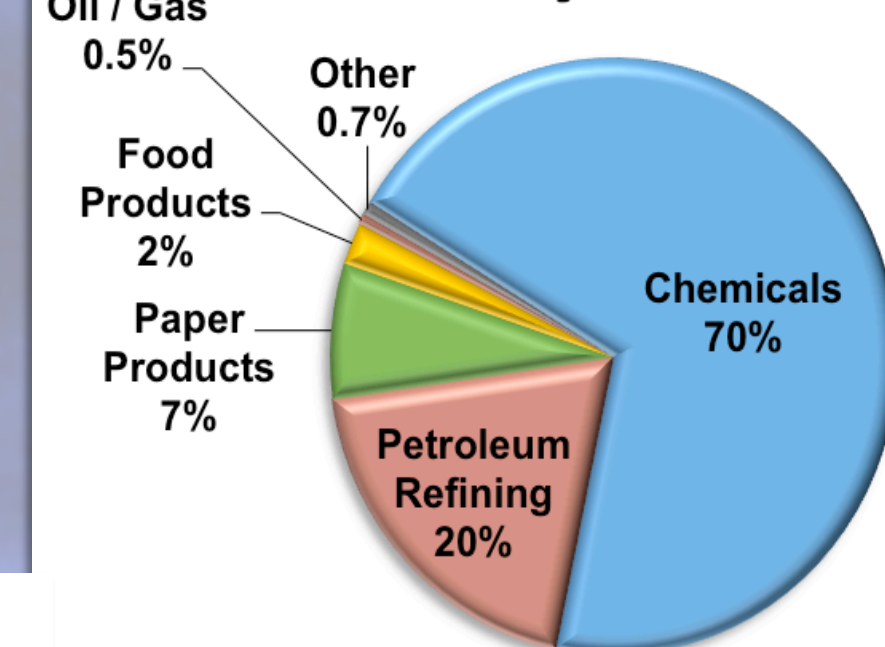


419 MGD
27%

- Significant Decline
- Subsidence
- Saltwater Intrusion / Salinity

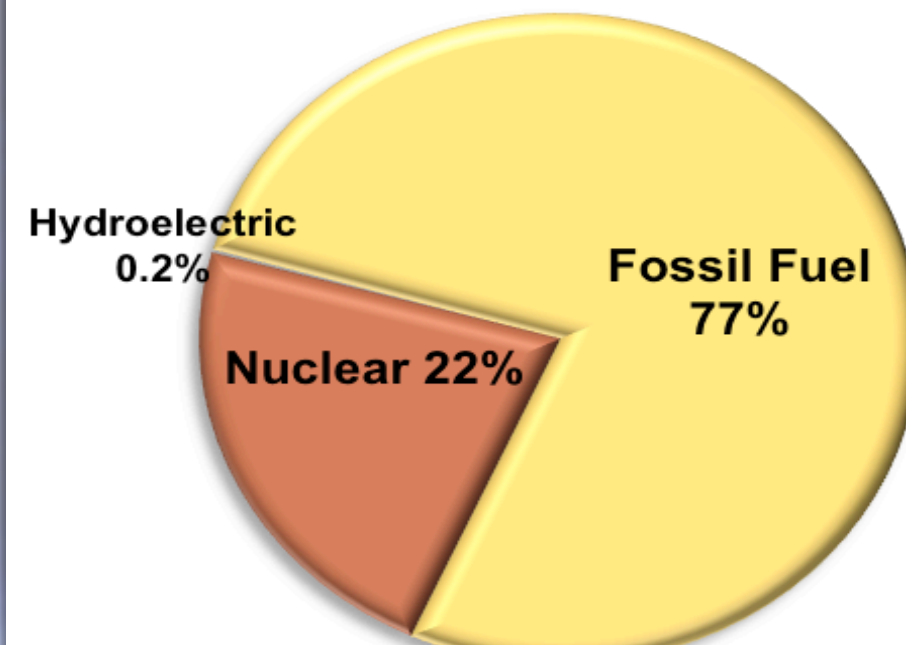
1,831 MGD
26%

Industry Water Use



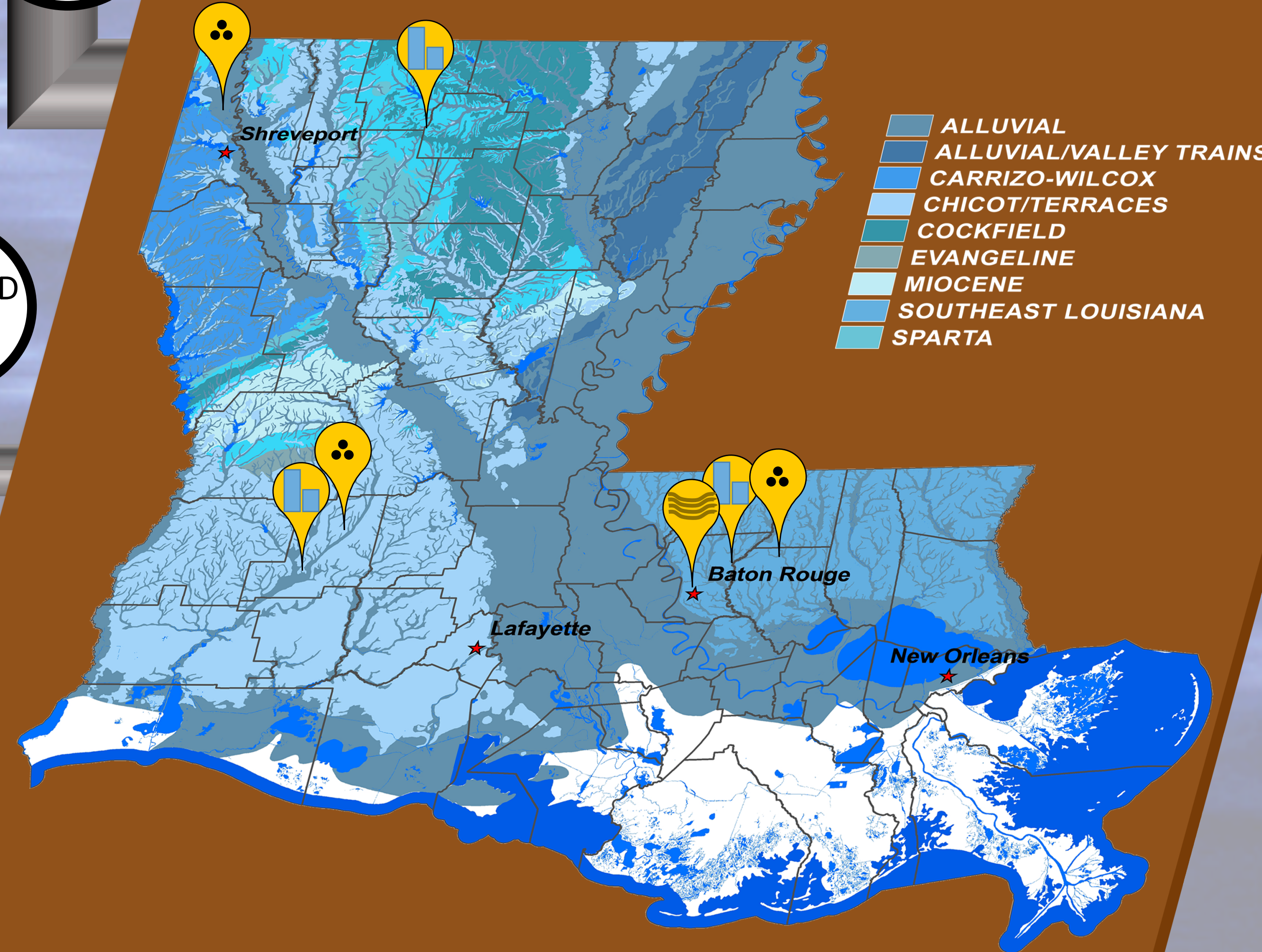
244 MGD
15%

Power Generation



41 MGD
3%

LOUISIANA AQUIFERS



1,600 million gallons/day

- Industrial Impairment
- Agricultural Impairment
- Sewage Impairment

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MGD = million gallons/day