

**Directions to the**  
**Southeastern Louisiana University-Turtle Cove Environmental Research Station**  
**and**  
**Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries –Manchac Wildlife Management Area Headquarters**  
**Boat Sheds/Office/Classroom Complex and Parking Facilities at**  
**Galva Canal, near Akers/Manchac, LA (911 address is: 87 Alligator Lane, Akers, LA, 70421)**

FROM SOUTHEASTERN'S CAMPUS IN HAMMOND: 25 MINUTES

FROM LAPLACE: 15 MINUTES

FROM UPTOWN NEW ORLEANS: 45 MINUTES

FROM METAIRIE: 30 MINUTES

FROM DOWNTOWN NEW ORLEANS: 1 HOUR

FROM BATON ROUGE: 1 HOUR

From either Interstate 10 or 12, get onto Interstate I-55, which connects Laplace to Hammond. Halfway between Laplace and Hammond (on I-55), get off at the Manchac exit and onto the "Frontage Road" which is really Hwy. 51 (which runs parallel to I-55—the Hwy sign at the off-ramp intersection calls it "Frontage Road," but that is Hwy 51—the "low road"). Head south (take a right on Hwy 51). You'll pass Middendorff's Restaurant on your left. Go over the bridge that goes over Pass Manchac. After you cross the bridge, go about 1/4 of a mile and take a left (it will be your second left after coming off bridge) on an asphalt road that crosses over the rail road tracks—you may see a sign called "Bait Alley" hanging on a fence in front of you—sometimes it's there, sometimes not). You'll see the Galva Canal (private boat houses, boats, etc.) straight ahead, and the Galva Lounge (a local bar) on your right. **STOP AND LOOK BOTH WAYS AS YOU APPROACH THE RAIL ROAD CROSSING.** As you cross over the tracks, immediately take a right (this road is titled "Alligator Lane" marked by another sign hanging on a fence), which curves and that takes you to a yellow iron-pipe gate which we should have open by the time you get there—contact us ahead of time if you think you'll need to know the padlock combination to get in (but we'll probably already be there waiting for you). You will enter into the Manchac Wildlife Management Area/SLU Turtle Cove Boat Shed Area at Galva Canal where there are some tin buildings on the right and an old destroyed boat shed on the left,---continue about 100 yards from the gate until you come to Southeastern's section of the property in the "second" parking lot area designated by our tall boat shed and office complex (light green---looks new, has big sign on it) where our pontoon boat and other boats are docked about 100 yards straight ahead as you pass thru the yellow iron gate. Park in front of the boat slips where we have green "Parking" signs (to the right of the satellite dish). Overflow parking is against the marsh still further right. Turtle Cove Staff office and cell phone numbers are listed below in case you get lost (our cell phones will probably be your best bet for reaching us). Call one of us below if you need the combo's to the yellow iron gate, bathroom (downstairs) and/or conference room (upstairs).

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