



FEMA

FEMA: Week in Review

Louisiana Recovery Office
Serving Recovery Needs from Hurricanes Katrina and Rita
New Orleans, LA

Calendar

March 3-9: [National Severe Weather Preparedness Week](#)

Mar. 5-9: [EMS Today Conference](#), Washington, DC

Mar. 12-15: [Public Health Preparedness Summit](#), Atlanta, Ga.

February 22, 2013

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FEMA Archaeologists Discover One of the Oldest Native American Artifacts South of Lake Pontchartrain

Pottery sherds, animal bones and pieces of clay tobacco pipes are among the items recently discovered by a team of archaeologists under contract to FEMA surveying land near Bayou St. John in New Orleans. Among the discoveries is pottery from the late Marksville period, which dates to 300-400 A.D. The find represents some of the only intact prehistoric remains of its kind south of Lake Pontchartrain.



FEMA's work near Bayou St. John is part of an agreement with the State Historic Preservation Office, Indian Tribes and the state to perform archaeological surveys of parks and public land in the city of New Orleans. It falls under FEMA's Environmental and Historic Preservation program, which evaluates historical and environmental concerns that may arise from projects funded by federal dollars.

For more information about the artifacts and FEMA's involvement, you can find the whole release [here](#).

Be a Force of Nature

National Severe Weather Preparedness Week is March 3-9, 2013. During this week, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration and FEMA are highlighting the importance of planning and practicing how and where to take shelter before severe weather strikes. Being prepared to act quickly can be a matter of life and death.

We're asking people not only to be prepared, but also to encourage their social network to act by texting, tweeting or posting a Facebook status update. For more information, check out the [Be a Force of Nature website](#).



Police Jury Association of Louisiana Annual Convention

FEMA Louisiana Recovery Office Interim Director Bill Doran and Governor's Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness Director Kevin Davis gave a joint overview of the roles and

responsibilities of state and federal emergency management at the Police Jury Association's Annual Convention in Lake Charles on Feb. 21, 2013.

New Citizen Corps and CERT Web Pages

The Citizen Corps and CERT websites have relocated to www.ready.gov/citizen-corps and www.fema.gov/community-emergency-response-teams. FEMA has consolidated all of its online content into FEMA.gov and Ready.gov. In addition to reducing costs, this website migration increases the visibility of our programs, while providing easy access to resources and an updated look for online content.



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